



APRIL 2025 Work Session Meeting
Wesleyville Borough, Erie County, Pennsylvania

*****Approved Meeting Minutes*****

Public Meeting Information

April 23rd, 2025, at 6:00PM

In-Person – Borough Hall located at 3421 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510.

Live Virtual Option - *Coming Soon*

Archive of Recordings - *Coming Soon*

- 1) **Call to Order** – By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 2) **Invocation** - By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 3) **Pledge of Allegiance** - By: Mrs. Julius, President
- 4) **Roll Call:** (Present) (Not Present)
 - a. Mayor, E Paul Johnson; Not Present
 - b. Council President, Regina Julius; Present
 - c. Council Vice President, Fred Petrini; Present
 - d. Council President Pro Tem, Paul Bills; Not Present

- e. Councilperson, Steve Alfieri; Present
- f. Councilperson, Jake Wilder; Present
- g. Councilperson, Sandy Morrow; Not Present
- h. Councilperson, Cassandra Kolesar; Not Present
- i. Tax Collector, Lisa Huff; Not Present
- j. Solicitor, Ed Betza; Not Present
- k. Engineer, Mark Corey; Not Present
- l. Police Chief, Robert Buzanowski; Not Present
- m. Borough Manager/Secretary, Marcus Jacobs; Present
- n. Public Works Supervisor, Joseph Ball; Not Present

5) Citizens to address Council:

- a. Darla Shafer questioned the lien on her property. She has lived there for 30 years and never received any prior notice of this lien. She only discovered the lien when she tried to get a loan from her bank to fix up their bathroom. She wants to know if she has to pay the all the interest that has built up over the years since she was not made aware of the lien. Borough Manager Jacobs will look into the matter and this will be further discussed at the May Council Meeting.

6) Approve Agenda:

- a. A motion to approve of the agenda for tonight's meeting, April 23rd, 2025, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.

7) Approve Minutes:

- a. A motion to approve the minutes from the April 9th, 2025 Council Meeting, made by Mr. Wilder, seconded by Mr. Petrini, passed unanimously.

8) Top of Agenda – Reserved Time:

9) Borough Administration:

- a. Borough Manager – Manager Jacobs

i) *Grants received;*

(1) *\$125,000 for Euclid Sewer*

(2) *\$530,000 for Euclid Road Reconstruction*

ii) *Grant applications in progress;*

(1) *\$500,000 for Euclid Sewer Phase 2*

(2) *\$1,500,000+ for Euclid Road Reconstruction Phase 2*

b. Police Department – Chief Buzanowski

c. Fire Department – Chief Wiercinski

- i) Completed a walkthrough of Willow Commons – A detailed fire plan needs to be created by the owners and onsite staff including which tenants are immobilized.

d. Treasurer's Report (*Council Meetings Only*) - Manager Jacobs

e. Engineer's Report (*Council Meetings Only*)

f. Solicitor's Report (*Council Meetings Only*)

10) **Executive Session:** None Anticipated

a. Recessed:

- i) Borough Council recessed public session at N/A for an executive session regarding personnel contract matters.

b. Reconvened:

- i) Borough Council reconvened the public session at N/A.

c. Motions resulting from the Executive Session: None Anticipated N/A

11) **Old Business:**

- a. **Tabled** until further research is completed – Ordinance to increase the Tax Collector's wages, would be effective January 2026 when the newly elected Tax Collector is sworn in.

- i) Current Salary - \$7,542

- ii) Potential percentages - (5% - \$377.10, 10% - \$754.20, 15% - \$1,131.30, 20% - \$1,508.40)

12) New Business:

- a. Appointing one person to the Joint Steering Committee to plan the possible Police Regionalization and to appoint one person as an alternate.
 - i) *1 community member slot is still open with several alternates.*
 - (1) Motion to appoint Guy Lombardozzi to the Joint Steering Committee made by Mr. Wilder, seconded by Mr. Alfieri, passed unanimously.
 - (2) Motion to appoint Steve Samec as the alternate to the Joint Steering Committee made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Petrini. Roll call vote tied so motion failed. (Yeas - Mr. Alfieri, Mrs. Julius, nays – Mr. Petrini, Mr. Wilder).
 - (3) Motion to appoint Phil Palmer as the alternate to the Joint Steering Committee made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
 - ii) *4 voting members already selected, Chief Buzz, Mayor Johnson, Councilman Bills (Alt. President Julius), Manager Jacobs.*
- b. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-004 – Dumpster Ordinance; made by Mr. Wilder, seconded by Mr. Alfieri, passed unanimously.
 - i) Adjustments were made to have the initial period of 30 days free of charge and the 20 yard capacity was changed to 21 yards.
 - ii) Advertised in Erie Times as of the 15th
- c. Motion to approve of signing the Borough Acknowledgment for Claire Hill commemorating her 100th birthday made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
 - i) *Related to the Hills Market, an iconic local Borough Business that operated for decades.*
- d. Motion to adopt Resolution 2025 – Submitting Application to Small Water and Sewer Program through PA State DCED and to sign the match letter certification at 15% of the award made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.
 - i) *\$500,000 total sewer project for Euclid Blvd.*
 - ii) *\$434,000 grant, \$66,000 local match.*

- e. Motion to approve spending up to \$2,600 for landscaping around Merski's Office made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.

- i) *Quote received from Dahlkamper Landscaping.*

- f. Motion to approve \$250 going towards NNO 2025 as a match for the United Way grant from budget item 457.000 Civil & Military Celebrations, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Wilder, passed unanimously.

- g. Motion to accept the bid from McCormick Construction for the road work around the Borough for a total of \$184,202, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Alfieri, passed unanimously.

- i) *Bid opening held 11am on April 23*

- ii) *Next lowest bidder, Lindy Paving \$293,709*

- h. (Tabled) Motion to authorize collecting liens at a simple interest rate of 10% effective immediately.

- i) *This is legally justified according to, Solicitor Betza, and considering it is simple interest only then*

- i. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Mult-Municipal Collaboration made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Petrini, passed unanimously.

- i) *This is a follow-up from last month's approval that we (the three municipalities) did a letter saying we support the grant of \$100,000 towards a new ambulance. This is required by ECGRA.*

13) Borough Boards & Commissions

- a. Planning Commission – Manager Jacobs

- i) Next meeting is on May 21st at 5pm at the Borough Hall.

- b. Safety Committee – Mrs. Morrow

- i) Next meeting is on May 21st at 1pm at the Borough Hall.

14) Council - Committee Reports:

- a. Public Works/Streets - Mr. Petrini

- b. Sanitary and Storm Sewers - Mr. Wilder

- c. Public Safety - Mr. Alfieri
- d. Refuse and Recycling - Mrs. Kolesar
- e. Community Engagement - Mrs. Morrow

15) Council – Members:

- a. Councilmember – Mr. Alfieri
- b. Councilmember - Mr. Bills
- c. Councilmember – Mrs. Kolesar
- d. Councilmember – Mrs. Morrow
- e. Councilmember – Mr. Wilder

16) Council - Officers:

- a. Mayor – Mr. Johnson
- b. Council Vice President - Mr. Petrini
- c. Council President - Mrs. Julius

17) Good of the Order:

- a. Next Council Meeting is on May 14th, 2025, 6PM in the Borough Hall.
- b. Next Work Session is on May 28th, 2025, 6PM in the Borough Hall.
- c. Joint Municipal Meeting is on July 7th at 6PM at Lawrence Park.

18) Meeting Adjournment:

- a. A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Alfieri, seconded by Mr. Petrini, passed unanimously.
Adjourned at 6:58PM

Respectfully submitted to the public record of the Borough of Wesleyville after the meeting minutes were approved by the Borough Council at the public Council Meeting on the 14 day of May, 2025.

Marcus A Jacobs

Marcus A Jacobs, Borough Manager/Secretary

Official Raised Seal of the Borough of Wesleyville



