



March 2026 – Council Meeting
Wesleyville Borough, Erie County, Pennsylvania

Approved Meeting Minutes

Public Meeting Information

March 25th, 2026, at 6:00PM

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

Live Virtual Option – Link available at Wesleyville.gov/Council

Archive of Recordings – Videos at Wesleyville.gov/Council

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

- e. Councilperson, Jerry Braden; Present
- f. Councilperson, Cassandra Kolesar; Not Present
- g. Councilperson, Jeremy Moreland; Present at 6:10pm, Left at 7:15pm)
- h. Councilperson, Sandy Morrow; 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
- o. Borough Clerk, Heidi Savage; Present

5) Citizens to address Council:

6) Approve Agenda:

- a. Motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting, March 25th, 2026, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, passed unanimously.

7) Approve Minutes:

- a. Motion to approve the minutes from March 11th, 2026, Council Meeting, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, passed unanimously.

8) Top of Agenda – Reserved Time:

- a. Relaunching the Junior Councilmember Program! - Motion to appoint Sophia Brookhouser, freshman at Iroquois High School to the position of Junior Councilmember with a term of 1 year, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Bills, passed unanimously.

i. Swearing in of Jr. Councilmember by Mayor Johnson

9) Borough Administration:

- a. Borough Manager – Manager Jacobs
 - i. Gospel Hill Garden Club request for permitting alcohol at the Borough Hall exclusively for their 100-year birthday celebration. Considering a one-time administrative exception. Motion to allow the Garden Club this one-time exception to have alcohol for their celebration made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Braden, passed unanimously.
 - ii. Masonry Bid Review
 - iii. Grants Office – Applications Intended
- b. Police Department – Chief Buzanowski – new police cruiser has been ordered and is at the Outfitting company.
- c. Fire Department – Chief Wiercinski
- d. East Erie County EMS – Representative Steve Alfieri
- e. Treasurer’s Report (*2nd Meeting of the Month*) - Manager Jacobs
 - i. *Motion to acknowledge receipt of the February 2026 Depository Log and the Transfer Log, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.*
 - ii. *Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Year-to-Date Profit & Loss Reports for the General, Sewer, Garbage, and Liquid Fuels funds, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.*
 - iii. *Motion to acknowledge receipt of the February 2026 Check Details from the General, Sewer, and Garbage funds, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Braden, passed unanimously.*
 - iv. *Motion to acknowledge receipt of the February 2026 Credit Card Purchases Report, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Petrini, passed unanimously.*
- f. Engineer’s Report (*Council Meetings Only*) – *Once bids are out and an accepted bid is made it would be 12 weeks after that when PennDot would issue the start of repairing Euclid Blvd. We will try to get the 12 week wait time reduced.*
- g. Solicitor’s Report (*Council Meetings Only*)

10) **Executive Session:** None Anticipated

a. Recessed:

i. Borough Council recessed public session at _____ for an executive session regarding...

b. Reconvened:

i. Borough Council reconvened the public session at _____

c. Motions resulting from the Executive Session:

11) Old Business:

a. (Tabled) Motion to appoint (2 more) to the Municipal Appeals Board, tasked with the responsibilities of the Zoning Hearing Board, Rental Registration Appeals, Quality of Life Appeals, and other appeals of the Borough's regulations.

12) New Business:

a. Motion to approve of signing the revised 2025 MMO calculation for the Employee Pension and to submit the correct amount required according to our actuarial firm, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Bills, passed unanimously.

i. *The 2025 budget reflected the increased MMO, but we did not sign the revised sheet and we ultimately submitted the wrong amount of payment.*

ii. *Mistake to be known - The 2025 MMO for the Borough's Employee Pension was improperly paid. We did not deposit sufficient funds so now we will have to deposit the difference and make up the potential interest earnings.*

b. Motion to approve of amending the January 28th, 2026, minutes to reflect a change of name from Resolution 001-2026 to Resolution A-2026, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Bills, passed unanimously.

i. *There were accidentally two Resolution 001-2026s. Therefore, the first resolution passed at the January 28, 2026, meeting in reference to the PennDOT Utility Work will now be referred to as Resolution A-2026*

c. Motion to amend the 2026 Fee Schedule to establish a \$200 first time, and \$150 thereafter flat fee for front/side yard grass cutting services on parcels with 100 feet of frontage or less, with additional charges applied for each additional 100 feet of frontage mowed. Such mowing shall be requested by the Code Official and completed by Public Works following the issuance of a code violation. The fee shall be billed to the property's owner, and any unpaid balance shall be subject to a municipal lien against the property, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Bills, passed unanimously.

- d. Motion to approve of the advertisement and public display of Ordinance 2026-004 - Updating the Borough's Zoning Code to Promote Development and Better Align with the Built Environment, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.
 - i. *Visit Wesleyville.gov/zoning2026 for the full, up-to-date ordinance.*
- e. Motion to appoint Sheryl Kyle to the 5th position of the Wesleyville Planning Commission for a term through January 2027, and then a 4-year term thereafter if reappointed, made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Bills
- f. Motion to approve of donating a box of misc. Borough records dated between about 1913-1951 to the Hagen History Center and to allow Manager Jacobs to sign the deed of gift paperwork, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, passed unanimously.
- g. Motion to adopt Resolution 04 - 2006 - A resolution approving taking out a loan for a dump truck from the Erie County Redevelopment Authority in the updated amount of \$106, 395.11, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Bills, passed unanimously.
 - i. *Previous resolution was a higher amount, figured we would reissue.*
- h. Motion to approve Resolution 03 – 2026 – Approving the application for ECGRA Municipality Program for the Water Street Pathway Project, made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, passed unanimously.
- i. (Motion not required today) Motion to approve of dipping into the Boro's Reserve Fund to allocate up to \$50,000 extra into the 438100 Pavement Preservation line item to complete additional seal coating.
- j. (Tabled) Motion to approve of the advertisement and public display of Ordinance 2026-005 Establishing Fire Tax Credits for Volunteer Service for the Wesleyville Hose Company
 - i. *Drafts in your packet to review and advise*
- k. (Tabled) Motion to adopt Resolution 02-2026 – Clarification of Borough Policies for the Police Department's Operational Cooperation with Federal Immigration Enforcement.

13) Borough Boards & Commissions

- a. Planning Commission – Manager Jacobs
 - i. Next meeting April 15th, 2026, at 5pm at the Borough Hall.
- b. Safety Committee – Mrs. Morrow
 - i. Next meeting is on April 15th, 2026, at 1pm at the Borough Hall. Waiting on getting a list of gas wells in the area.

14) Council - Committee Reports:

- a. Community Engagement – Mr. Braden – Pi Day was successful, on 4/19 a spaghetti dinner is planned and on 6/27 a Movie night is planned at Hinkler Park
- b. Finance – Mr. Petrini
- c. Parks and Recreation – Mrs. Julius – Arbor Day celebration is scheduled with Rep. Merski to give a brief talk. Trees will be planted and plaques are being sold (In Honor of/In Memory of) to be placed by the trees.
- d. Public Works/Streets - Mr. Bills
- e. Public Safety – Mr. Moreland
- f. Refuse and Recycling – Mrs. Kolesar
- g. Sanitary and Storm Sewers – Mrs. Morrow
- h. Personnel Committee (as needed) - Mrs. Morrow, Mr. Petrini, Mr. Bills

15) Council – Members:

- a. Open floor for Council Members to speak.

16) Council - Officers:

- a. Mayor – Mr. Johnson – this is the last week that Hero Banners can be ordered.
- b. Council Vice President – Mr. Petrini
- c. Council President – Mrs. Julius

17) Good of the Order:

- a. Council Meeting – April 8th, 2026, at 6pm at the Borough Hall.
- b. Council Meeting – April 22nd, 2026, at 6pm at the Borough Hall.
- c. Joint Municipal Meeting – May 11th, 2026, at 6pm at the Borough Hall.

18) Meeting Adjournment:

a. A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Bills, seconded by Mr. Petrini, adjourned at 7:20pm.

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 8th day of April, 2026.

Heidi Savage

Heidi Savage, Secretary



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