



**May 2026 – Council Meeting**  
**Wesleyville Borough, Erie County, Pennsylvania**

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

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**Public Meeting Information**

May 13, 2026, at 6:00PM

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

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

- e. Councilperson, Jerry Braden; Not Present
- f. Councilperson, Cassandra Kolesar; Present
- g. Councilperson, Jeremy Moreland; Present
- h. Councilperson, Sandy Morrow; Present
- i. Junior Council Member, Sophia Brookhouser; Not Present
- j. Tax Collector, Lisa Huff; Not Present
- k. Solicitor, Ed Betza; Present via phone
- l. Engineer, Mark Corey; Not Present
- m. Police Chief, Robert Buzanowski; Not Present
- n. Borough Manager/Secretary, Marcus Jacobs; Present
- o. Public Works Supervisor, Joseph Ball; Not Present
- p. Borough Clerk, Heidi Savage; Present

**5. Citizens to address Council:**

**6. Approve Agenda:**

- a. Motion to approve of the agenda for tonight's meeting, May 13th, 2026, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.

**7. Approve Minutes:**

- a. Motion to approve the April 22nd, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.

**8. Top of Agenda – Reserved Time:**

**9. Borough Administration:**

- a. Borough Manager – Manager Jacobs
  - i. Masonry Bid Review – Next Meeting

- ii. Grants Submitted since last meeting -
  - 1. *Hinkler Park Multipurpose Court,*
  - 2. *WCD America 250,*
  - 3. *PennDOT ARLE Program Fremont/Station Intersection*
  - 4. *Fire Dept Grant Submitted - \$10,000 for equipment*
  
- b. Police Department – Chief Buzanowski
  - i. Motion to approve of utilizing funds under the line item 1410121 – OT for the North East Police Department to provide coverage at the Wesleyville Community Day event, made by Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, passed unanimously.
  
- c. Fire Department – Chief Wiercinski
  
- d. East Erie County EMS – Representative Steve Alfieri
  
- e. Treasurer’s Report (*2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month*) - Manager Jacobs
  - i. Motion to approve of opening a new account at the depository PLGIT called “Long Term Reserve” for the purpose of more transparently isolating our money, separating current year tax proceeds from prior year remaining reserves, with the same approved check signers as all other Borough bank accounts. And to transfer the March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026 balance from the PLGIT Reserve account x3112 to this new account, \$506,496.06, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.
  - ii. Motion to approve of the Borough upgrading our Northwest Bank checking accounts from the standard business checking interest rates to the higher money market interest rate while maintaining FDIC insurance on the condition that there are no limits on the number of transactions made with no extra charges, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.
    - 1. *Current rate is ~0.01% on the standard checking account.*
    - 2. *Checking accounts and numbers remaining the same, just the manor with which the interest is generated would change.*
  
- f. Engineer’s Report (*Council Meetings Only*)
  
- 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. Motion to appoint Aaron May (1 more person needed after this) 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, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.
- b. (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. *Planning Commission Assistance Requested*
- c. (Tabled) Motion to adopt Resolution 02-2026 – Clarification of Borough Policies for the Police Department's Operational Cooperation with Federal Immigration Enforcement.

**12. New Business:**

- a. Motion to accept the bid from Joseph McCormick Company for the 2026 Resurfacing Bids with the core work only (no optional work included) for a total of \$81,905 and to approve of Manager Jacobs to sign all necessary documentation, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.
  - i. *Bid Opening – Held May 13<sup>th</sup> at 11am, 3 bidders submitted.*
  - ii. *Core Work – Center Street (Fremont to Edison), Fremont (small section by Water St), Spot repair on Eastern Ave.*
  - iii. *Optional Work - Wesley Ave (North to Pearl) - Too expensive, not to be done in 2026.*
  - iv. *Paid for line item 439600 – Road Construction – Liquid Fuels \$67,500. Remaining \$14,405 from the General Fund.*
- b. Motion to approve of completing the 2026 Pavement Preservation Project with the bid winner Suit Kote with a total cost of \$172,106.82 and dipping into the long-term reserve in an amount of

\$15,654.46 to cover the 1438000 Pavement Preservation 2026 budget overage, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.

*i. View the attached map and table.*

*ii. Line Items Utilized*

*1. 409373 - Borough Hall Bldg Maintenance - \$3,515.49*

*2. 409387 - Merski Office Maintenance - \$2,341.86*

*3. 439000 - Street Resurfacing - \$90,595*

*4. 438000 - Pavement Preservation - \$75,654.46 (Overage of \$15,654.46)*

c. Motion to approve of clearing the open Garbage and Sewer balances which are tracked in Erie Water Work's system for the two properties listed below, to allow for the Erie County Redevelopment Authority and Land Bank to acquire and remediate the blight. Allowing for up to \$1,000 additional forgiven to cover any math discrepancy that may have occurred between the outstanding balances in the EWW system, and the amounts forgiven below, made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Moreland, passed unanimously.

*i. 2508 Station Road, total outstanding \$8,254.99, approximately \$6,331.49 associated with garbage and sewer.*

*ii. 2052 Water Street, total outstanding \$12,517.39, garbage and sewer balance.*

d. Motion to approve extending a sewer lateral inspection waiver to the Erie County Redevelopment Authority and the Erie County Land Bank for the properties located at 2508 Station Road and 2052 Water Street to allow the properties to be transferred as soon as possible, on the condition that the sewer lateral be inspected at the time of demolition, or within 6 months. If the lateral is found to be in good repair, the lateral shall be capped at the sidewalk, and any future development shall utilize the existing wye and lateral. If the lateral is found to be in poor repair, the Erie County Land Bank will be required to cap it at the wye, made by Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mrs. Morrow, not passed unanimously. Roll call vote:

Mrs. Morrow – Aye, Mr. Moreland – Aye, Mr. Petrini – Aye, Mrs. Kolesar – Nay; Result – Motion Carried.

**A quorum was lost at 7:00 p.m. when Mrs. Kolesar had to leave the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at that time, and the remaining agenda items will be postponed until the next Council meeting.**

- e. Motion to approve of purchasing a new dumpster behind the Borough Hall from Buck's Fabricating in Mercer County for a total of \$1,026 to come from (garbage fund) or (409373 Borough Hall maintenance and capital improvements).
- f. Motion to approve of moving forward with the 2026 Sewer Line and Manhole Inspection project with Duke Root's, a COSTARS contractor, with a total estimate of \$203,613.68 including between \$3.08-\$3.56 per linear foot inspected, \$227 per manhole inspected, and \$40 each for comprehensive assessment reports to be paid through the Sewer Fund using line item "2429600 – Capital Repair & Maintenance" which we budgeted \$59,440 in 2026 with the remainder to be paid through the Sewer Reserve x3038 account which has an end of April balance of \$518,199.43.
- g. Motion to approve of beginning the Borough Hall 2026 Masonry Repair project with Z. Poulson Masonry LLC with a scope of work that includes the north side of the building (facing Buffalo Road) and the east side of the building (facing Market Street) with not-to-exceed total of \$23,200.
  - i. *Mark Corey requested quotes and found that Z. Poulson Masonry LLCs had the cheapest labor rates and a lesser stated total for the outlined scope of work.*
- h. Motion to approve of the Borough submitting a PA DEP 902 Recycling grant along with the County Planning Dept for the purposes of ADA improvements and signage to the Borough's recycling center.

### **13. Borough Boards & Commissions**

- a. Planning Commission – Manager Jacobs
  - i. Next meeting May 20th, 2026, at 5pm at the Borough Hall.
- b. Safety Committee – Mrs. Morrow
  - i. Next meeting is on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 1pm at the Borough Hall.

### **14. Council - Committee Reports:**

- a. Community Engagement – Mr. Braden
- b. Finance – Mr. Petrini
- c. Parks and Recreation – Mrs. Julius
- d. Public Works/Streets - Mr. Bills

- e. Public Safety – Mr. Moreland
  - i. Discussion about Emergency Management Plan
- 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
- b. Council Vice President – Mr. Petrini
- c. Council President – Mrs. Julius

**17. Good of the Order**

- a. Council Meeting – May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6pm at the Borough Hall.
- b. Council Meeting – June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6pm at the Borough Hall.

**18. Meeting Adjournment:**

- a. A motion to adjourn the meeting made \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_.

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 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

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Heidi Savage, Secretary

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