

Minutes of the West Pittston Borough Council Meeting of February 1, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1st ORDER- CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by President Quinn at the West Pittston Borough Building, 555 Exeter Avenue West Pittston, PA.

2ND ORDER- ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by John Hood. Council: William Bohn, Jim Butera, John Hood, Jared Jordan, Ray Judge (attending telephonically), Ian Stevenson, President Ellen Quinn, Mayor Angelo Alfano. Also present: Attorney Mark Bufalino

3rd ORDER- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Public Participation was called for. None was given

President Quinn welcomed the new Chief of Police of Wyoming Area Regional Police Department, Chief Pace.

Chief Pace shared that he would try to be available and approachable as possible. He is open to any questions or suggestions and those can be sent to talktous@regionalpolice.org He also wanted to let everyone know that each police officer has their own email address that is their last name: name@regionalpolice.org He is interested in doing some community events and those will be posted on the Wyoming Area Regional Police Facebook page. This is where important information can be shared as well as potentially a Twitter account that will be under the management of a social media manager.

President Quinn stated that an executive session was held at the West Pittston Borough Building on January 27th, 2023, at 4pm to discuss personnel and legal issues

4th ORDER- REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Motion to accept the reports as prepared and place them on file in the Borough Office

By: Bohn 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

5th ORDER- CORRESPONDENCE

Council Member William Bohn reported the following correspondences have been placed on file in the Borough office:

A. WVSA- monthly report

By: Bohn 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

6th ORDER- SOLICITOR

Attorney Bufalino had nothing to report.

7th ORDER- MAYOR

Mayor Alfano had nothing to report.

8thORDER-ADMINISTRATION

Motion to ratify payrolls of January 13, 2023, in the amount of \$14,022.02 and January 27, 2023, in the amount of \$13,403.03 totaling \$27,425.05

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve General Fund Prepaid bills totaling \$187,379.45

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to ratify General Funds bills totaling \$1,269.18

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve the payment of the sewer maintenance bill for \$10,958.71

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve the payment of the Parks & Recreation bill for \$361.80

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to pay the Barry Isset & Associates invoice # WV 174250 in the amount of \$595,000.00 for Coding, Zoning, and Flood Plain services.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to pay Wyoming Area School District invoice #22233-001 in the amount of \$1,380.00 for crossing guards for one half of the year.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to pay Brozena Consulting Invoice #22 in the amount of \$1,638.00 and invoice #23 in the amount of \$300.00 for consulting services.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve an invoice from Gloria Kijek in the amount of \$375.00 for clerical services.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to table the BIU 2023 fee schedule.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to table the schedule for the Landlord Tenant meeting.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion for the Council for the consideration to hire Kendra-lee O'Brien for administrative and council secretary.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve the Northeast Pennsylvania Landbank resolution accepting additional boroughs as new members: Exeter, Jenkins Township, Pittston Township, and Dupont.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

Motion to approve the 2023/2024 Salt Contract participation agreement put forth by the Department of General Services.

By: Butera 2nd: Hood Motion Carried by All

9TH ORDER-PUBLIC WORKS

Nothing to report.

10TH ORDER-PARKS & RECREATION

Nothing to report.

11TH ORDER- WEST PITTSTON TOMORROW

Nothing to report.

12TH ORDER-PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Quinn announced that there will be a meeting to discuss Landlord/Tenant topics for March 6th, 1pm at the Borough Building.

West Pittston American Legion- Moving monuments from Armory to somewhere more readily available and visible to the public. Main intent to get them moved to somewhere safer, because of the water/flood issue. The Legion has a contact for memorial movement for Council.

President Quinn mentioned that the Borough is in the process of purchasing the Armory and working on a levee so hopefully that would mean that the memorials would be safe. Council will get back to the Legion on the plans for the property and the memorials.

13th ORDER- ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM by Hood.

Prepared and Submitted,

Kendra-lee O'Brien, Borough Secretary and Secretary to Council