

1st ORDER - CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Quinn via telecommunication due to the Covid 19 Stay at Home Order by PA. Governor Wolfe and meeting had accessibility made available to the public.

2nd ORDER – ROLL CALL

Mr. Judge, Mr. Bohn, President Quinn, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Hosier, Mr. Butera, Attorney Bufalino, Absent: Mr. Hood, Mayor Blaskiewicz

3rd ORDER - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Judy Ioto asked what the Business Integrity Policy is? President Quinn explained the policy was necessary as a part of receiving the 902 grant for a leaf vac and recycling bins.

4th ORDER – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2020 COUNCIL MEETINGS.

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept and approved the minutes as prepared and place them on file.

5th ORDER – REPORTS OF OFFICERS

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the reports of officers as prepared and place them on file.

6th ORDER – CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondences were read by Secretary Kijek and have been filed in the borough office.

- A. WVSA monthly report
- B. Interest in leasing a buyout property
- C. Complaint about garbage cans left on curb

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept correspondences as read and place them on file.

7th ORDER – SOLICITOR

Attorney Bufalino reported on the following.

The Comcast Cable Franchise Renewal is ready except the Borough needs to have a public meeting before passing this.

8th ORDER – MAYOR

Mayor Blaskiewicz was absent from this meeting.

9th ORDER – ADMINISTRATION

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to ratify payroll of July 2, 2020 in the amount of \$27,896.36 and July 17, 2020 in the amount of \$22,967.36 and July 31, 2020 in the amount of \$22,571.34 totaling \$73,435.06.

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve General Fund prepaid bills totaling \$38,008.97.

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve General Fund bills totaling \$7,723.49.

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve the BCO training class that Alan Brezenski, Code Enforcement Officer requests to attend in the amount of \$370.00.

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve the application of Fred and Rosa Lacey, 11 Philadelphia Ave. to lease a West Pittston Buyout Property located at the property adjacent to 11 Philadelphia Ave. in accordance with the West Pittston Borough Flood Land Reuse Plan.

On motion of Mr. Judge, second by Mr. Hosier and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the Cooperation Agreement between the County of Luzerne and West Pittston Borough for funds for Street Improvements in the amount of \$150,000.

11th ORDER – PUBLIC SAFETY

On motion of Mr. Butera, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the public works monthly report and place on file in borough office.

On motion of Mr. Butera, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve final payment of \$117.45 to Borton Lawson, Engineers for invoice 2019-4354-000-0000009 for the Traffic Signal Replacement Project.

12th ORDER – PUBLIC WORKS

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Butera, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the public works monthly report and place on file in borough office.

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the 902 Grant Business Integrity Policy and to move forward and have Tony Scalzo order the leaf vac and the recycle bins.

13th ORDER – PARKS & REC

President Quinn announced all parks will be closed until further notice following the CDC Covid guidelines.

14th ORDER – OLD BUSINESS

Old Business was called for there was none at this time.

15th ORDER - NEW BUSINESS

Tom Reilly Borough Engineer read all bids as received for the Luzerne Avenue Storm and Sewer Improvements project. Pioneer Construction \$182,156.90, Sikora Brother Paving \$203,924.50, Eastern Branch Demolition \$211,050.00, Hadley Construction \$230,765.00, Multiscape Inc. \$245,765.50, James T. O’Hara Inc. \$278,170,00, Linde Corporation \$280,556.00.

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Butera, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to accept the bids as read by Mr. Reilly Borough Engineer, for the Luzerne Avenue Storm and Sewer Improvements project.

On motion of Mr. Butera, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve application by Tom Reilly, Borough Engineer for the CDBG-DR Sewer Separation and Stormwater Improvements in the amount of \$1,316,000.

On motion of Mr. Butera, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve application by Tom Reilly, Borough Engineer for the CDBG State Special Grant for a levy design.

On motion of Mr. Butera, second by Mr. Hosier, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to do a study for Regionalization of Police Departments of West Pittston, Exeter, Exeter Township, and Wyoming.

15th ORDER - NEW BUSINESS (continued)

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Bohn, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to approve a traffic study of Wisner Street by Reilly Associates.

On motion of Mr. Hosier, second by Mr. Judge, and by unanimous vote upon roll call of all members present, to advertise for part time DPW workers.

Mr. Judge would like the Public Safety Committee to get together to discuss Fireworks Ordinance.

16th ORDER- WEST PITTSTON TOMORROW

West Pittston Tomorrow was called for. None was given.

17th ORDER – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Judy Iota, 300 York Street– complained about the nuisance property on 50 Park, corner of Park and Keeler Streets and how town looks disgraceful.

Anita Bialado, 402 Susquehanna Ave – complained about the nuisance property on 50 Park and why did it take so long to clean up.

Joanne Ramos, 15 Washington Street – complaint about the nuisance property on 50 Park Street called every week for a year about it.

18th ORDER – ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hosier, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.