

# Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes December 12, 2016

Council President Joan S. Hart called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room of the Borough Office at 14 Crafton Street and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attending were Mayor John E. Wheeler, Councilors Joan S. Hart, Michael J. Wood, John Sticklin, Terry L. Bryant, and Jennifer Mase Updyke, and Mike Hummel, Borough Manager Daniel K. Strausser, Solicitor Bill Stokes, Chief Jim Bodine and Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

**VISITORS-** Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette, Ray Statts, Mitch Christman.

**MINUTES:** Minutes of the November 14, 2016 Council Meeting were approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Hummel, and carried.

**Public Comments on Agenda Items -None**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilor Bryant made a motion to ratify and approve accounts payable for all accounts. Councilor Hummel seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Bryant made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for October 2016. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Bryant made a motion to approve Resolution # 2016-10 naming Susan Keck as our delegate to the Tax Committee and John Sticklin and Daniel Strausser as our alternates. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

**Safety, Police, Fire, Protective Inspections, Codes, EMA**

**MAYOR'S REPORT** no report

Police Report: Many cases are being worked on taking a lot of court time lately. A big Thank You to the National Guard for their assistance at Dicken's of a Christmas.

Councilor Hummel made a motion to offer full time employment to Mitchell Christman as Police Officer conditional on successful completion of the following;

Successful passing of the State Certification Examination  
Confirmation of employment history  
Satisfactory post-offer employment physical, drug test and psychological test  
Satisfactory Background and Credit check.

This will be at a beginning wage of \$44,794.73.  
Councilor Bryant seconded the motion and it carried.

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Council Bryant made a motion to offer full time employment to Raymond Statts as Assistant Superintendent of Public Works at the salary of \$50,000.00, conditional on a satisfactory employment physical.

Employment shall begin January 3, 2017, with a probationary status of at least six months. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

## **Public Works, Solid Waste, Highways, Parking, Water, Sewer**

Norris Street Bridge and Riberolle Street Bridge update- Both are now complete with the exception of the footbridge installation at Riberolle Street. The Bid came in at \$318,163.35 and finished on budget.

Sewer Plant Ditch Maintenance project with Allstate Power Vac was completed under bid price. Bid price was \$90,900.00 and final is \$72,885.00.

## **Parks & Recreation, Trees, Beautification, Senior Center**

Dickens of A Christmas went very well. Councilor Sticklin thanked everyone who helped in making it a great event.

## **Employee Benefits, Negotiations, Insurance, Safety, Training**

### **Other Business**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!**  
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**Public Comments- None**

Adjourn --Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

  
Susan L. Keck