

# Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes December 14, 2015

Council President Joan S. Hart called the 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, Rudolf K. Scharf, John M. Sticklin, Kevin J. Connelly, and Jennifer Mase Updyke, Borough Manager Daniel K. Strausser, Chief James Bodine and Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

**VISITORS-** Melissa Bravo from the Williamsport Sun, Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette.

**Minutes: November 9, 2015 Council Meeting minutes-**were approved by motion of Councilor Connelly, seconded by Councilor Sticklin, and carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS- None**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Councilor Connelly announced a check presentation would take place on Tuesday December 22 at 1:30 p.m. at the Deane Center. Kinder Morgan will present checks to the Newly formed County Trail Authority and to the Dean Center for upgrades to the warehouse theatre.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **General Government, Administration, Buildings, Personnel**

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

Councilor Scharf made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for October, 2015. Councilor Connelly seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Sticklin made a motion to remove Trevor Young from Probationary Status. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

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

Mayor Wheeler- Recommended Council order the 2016 Dodge Durango for the new Police Vehicle and sell the Ford Interceptor. Councilor Connelly made a motion to move forward to order the 2016 Dodge Durango at \$30,593.00. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

Police Report- Chief Bodine announced that Dickens was very well attended with no safety issues, no tickets, and no towing. He thanked the 3 National Guard volunteers who assisted with the event.

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TRUNARC- Chief Bodine explained the Trunarc unit is on station and in use. Formal training will be held on the 30<sup>th</sup> of December. The Wellsboro Veterans Club Inc., the Etner Foundation, Wellsboro Moose Lodge 1147, Wellsboro Lions Club, John and Janice Biscoe, The Sweet Foundation and Carsons Consumer Discount Company were all contributors to the purchase of the device.

All officers attended the Narcon Training in Mansfield. This is a reversal for overdose victims.

The prescription takeback program is going strong.

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

Councilor Wood made a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to request bids for Norris Street Bridge and Riberolle Street Bridge as soon as all documents are ready and to set a bid opening date. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

Councilor Sticklin made a motion to adopt Resolution #2015-10 closing out Community Conservation partnerships Grant Project for the Woodland Park Master Plan.

Dickens of a Christmas went very well. We would like to thank everyone who helped in making it a great event.

Thanks to the Chief of Police for installing cameras at the Woodland Park Restroom. A heater has been installed in the restroom also.

Parking bumpers are in place at Charleston Ball Field and will be pinned down soon.

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

Councilor Mase Updyke made a motion to advertise Ordinance # 682- an ordinance repealing previous pension ordinances and adopting a pension plan document for police. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

**Other Business-** Rudy Scharf was presented with a plaque of appreciation for his years of service.

**Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

Adjourn at 6:20 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by

