

Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes April 11, 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, John M. Sticklin, and Jennifer Mase-Updyke, Michael J. Wood, Terry L. Bryant, and Kevin J. Connelly, Borough Manager Daniel K. Strausser, Police Chief James Bodine and Assistant Secretary Florence B. Martino.

VISITORS- Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette, Melissa Bravo from the Williamsport Sun- Gazette, Andrew Harding – HARB Committee and Marc Rice, Tioga County.

MINUTES: March 14, 2016 Council Meeting minutes-were approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Connelly, and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS-None

OLD BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS-Andrew Harding from HARB presented the following recommendations:

1. County of Tioga – Remove and Replace Historical Society front porch Councilor Wood made a motion to approve the recommendation, Councilor Mase-Updyke seconded the motion and it carried unanimously
2. Northwest Bank-- Re-Brand 61 Main Street to new Bank Logo. Councilor Bryant made a motion to approve the recommendation, Councilor Connelly seconded the motion. Mike Wood objected to having the sign with internal lighting. He stated it would open the door for future signs on Main Street. Council President Hart called for a roll call vote:

Councilor Sticklin	NO	Councilor Connelly	YES
Councilor Mase-Updyke	NO	Councilor Bryant	YES
Councilor Hart	NO	Councilor Wood	NO

HARB is to request Northwest Bank reconsider the lighting of the sign.
3. Mark Germino Insurance – 80 Main Street new Nationwide Logo. Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve the recommendation, Councilor Mase-Updyke seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
4. 83 Main Street “The Roost” Sign. Councilor Wood made a motion to approve the recommendation, Councilor Bryant seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
5. Green Home-Patient Resident Transfer Entrance – Councilor Bryant made a motion to approve the recommendation, Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood said he appreciates the members of the HARB Committee and all the hard work the committee does.

Committee Reports:

General Government, Administration, Buildings, Personnel

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

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

Other Business- Borough Manager Strausser informed the Council the Borough had received a dividend check in the amount of \$19,951.11 for the Property & Liability policy which is 48.9% of the premium. The check for Worker's Compensation was \$32,701.13 which is 46.9% of premium.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT-The new Durango is being held up due to the cage

POLICE REPORT-

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

Councilor Wood made a motion to accept the Norris St. and Riberolle St. Bridge projects, bid from Lycoming Supply for \$318,163.25. Councilor Bryant seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood made a motion to place the 2010 Chevy Tahoe out for sale when the new police car is put in service. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Parks & Recreation, Trees, Beautification, Senior Center

Councilor Sticklin informed the Council the spring planting will include 31 trees and 14 will be planted at the Little League field.

Arbor Day will be held on April 29th at 1 p.m. on King Street on the side of Tussey Mosher Funeral Home.

Employee Benefits, Negotiations, Insurance, Safety, Training

Councilor Mase-Updyke made a motion to adopt ordinance # 682 restating the Police Pension Ordinance. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Public Comments - Melissa Bravo Earth Day.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Florence B. Martino
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