

## Wellsboro Borough Council Minutes April 13, 2015

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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, Police Chief James Bodine, Councilors Joan S. Hart, Michael J. Wood, Rudolf K. Scharf, Jennifer Mase Updyke, John Sticklin and Kevin J. Connelly, Borough Manager Daniel K. Strausser, and Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

**VISITORS-** Natalie Kennedy, Melissa Bravo, Janet Strausser

**Executive Session:** Council went into Executive Session for Personnel Matters at 6:01 p.m.

**Executive Session:** Council came out of Executive Session at 6:21 p.m. No decisions were made.

**Minutes of the March 9<sup>th</sup> and 23, 2015 Council Meetings-**were approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Wood, and carried unanimously.

### OLD BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

HARB- County

1. **County of Tioga, 118 Main Street, Tioga County Courthouse and Annex Additions and Improvements Project- Revisions to windows and entry ramp.** The Board would prefer six windows on the Annex Addition. Joan Hart made a motion to have the architect insert six windows if they would fit. Of the six, four should be spandrel. If only four windows would fit, then two would need to be spandrel, with the intent of matching the existing spacing on the west end of the building. This motion was seconded by Teresa Capuzzo, and carried unanimously. The spandrel glass, which is a durable glass used to cover construction materials, will help create an overall uniform appearance.

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2. **County of Tioga, 118 Main Street, Tioga County Courthouse and Annex Additions and Improvements Project-** Front porch railing, pillars, light posts (with single lights) were all discussed. With the exception of a final railing specification (spindle type) to be submitted by Marc Rice, all above changes were recommended for approval by motion of Jay Erb, seconded by Joan Hart, and carried unanimously

Both County applications were approved by motion of Councilor Connelly, seconded by Councilor Sticklin, and carried unanimously.

David Lamphier has resigned from the Airport Authority. This seat is the joint seat. Both Delmar Township and the Borough must agree on who is appointed. The resignation was approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Mase-Updyke, and carried unanimously.

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## **Committee Reports:**

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

Councilor Scharf made a motion to ratify and approve accounts payable for all accounts. The motion was seconded by Councilor Mase-Updyke and carried unanimously.

Councilor Scharf made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for February, 2015. The motion was seconded by Councilor Mase-Updyke and carried unanimously.

Councilor Scharf made a motion to approve the Scolari minor subdivision plan with the conditions in Engineer Scott Bray's letter. The motion was seconded by Councilor Connelly and carried unanimously.

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

Police Report - The new trailer is a great addition to the Police Department. Training this week included CPR, first aid certifications.

Officer Hartman is obtaining certification for car seat technician. Advanced interviewing school will begin in the next two weeks. There are many connections with the school through the drug program, the sting program (anti-bullying), the ice cream cones program, the Officer Phil program, and the Ventriloquist Program.

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

Councilor Wood made a motion to approve O.T. Associates Engineering proposal for \$9,100.00 for the Riberolle Street bridge engineering. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sticklin and carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood made a motion to appoint Kim Miller to our Parking Authority to fill an unexpired term until 12-31-2018. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sticklin and carried unanimously.

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

The Little League Parade will be on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM starting at Packer Park.

Our Shade Tree Commission and the Tioga County Bureau of Forestry is hosting a free seminar about Emerald Ash Borer for the public and officials at 7 PM Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. This will be held in the Deane Center Grand Ballroom.

Arbor Day tree planting will be at 1 PM Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> in front of the Charlotte Lappla School on Meade Street.

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

An insurance dividend of \$55,411.53 was received in today's mail. It will go toward the Insurance premium.

### Other Business

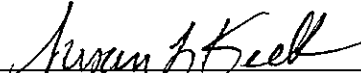
The USDA gave an additional 50,000.00 to perform an additional water supply study for Hamilton lake.

They will also provide funding for an assessment study of the Kelsey Dam to evaluate the structure. A motion was made by Councilor Wood to accept both projects. The motion was seconded by Councilor Connelly and carried unanimously.

### Adjourn

Adjourned at 6:34

Minutes respectfully submitted by

  
Susan L. Keck