

Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2018

Council President Mike Hummel 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 Mike Hummel, Mike Wood, Craig West, John Sticklin, Matt DeCamp, and Dr. Bill Yacovissi, Borough Manager Scot F. Boyce, Jr., Chief Jim Bodine and Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

VISITORS - Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette, Jim Oberdorf

MINUTES: Minutes for the April 9, 2018 Council meeting were approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Wood, and carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items-None

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

HARB:

1. Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve HARB recommendation to allow St. Peter's Church to install a bronze plaque on the existing brick wall near the entrance at 50 Central Avenue. The sign will list Mass times. Councilor West seconded the motion and it carried.

Committee Reports:

General Government, Administration, Buildings, Personnel

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

Councilor Yacovissi made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for March, 2018. Councilor West seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Sticklin made a motion to adopt codification of Ordinances of Borough of Wellsboro with the condition that language be added to allow for an extension past 10:30 p.m. for fireworks if permitted by Council. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

A public hearing on the Zoning Ordinance update will be held on June 4th at 6pm. June's council meeting will follow the public hearing.

The Wellsboro Zoning Hearing Board will be meeting at 5pm on May 16th; in the Borough Council Room, regarding the request to enlarge a non-conforming use at 23 Grant Street.

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The Wellsboro Zoning Hearing Board will meet at 5pm on May 30th, in the Borough Council Room regarding the Special Exception application of Montessori for a daycare at 6 Nichols Street.

The Borough has received the final \$10,000 payment to complete the grant for the Borough Manager transition from the Etner Foundation. The Borough is grateful for these funds.

Councilor Yacovissi made a motion to accept the bid of \$3,579.00 for the Wellsboro-owned parcel adjacent to the Wellsboro Stone Quarry parcel from Mr. James Updyke. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Yacovissi made a motion to approve 1517 Main Street, LP reverse subdivision. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Yacovissi made a motion to ratify the amended plan of the Matthews reverse subdivision.

The Wellsboro App is now available for Android phone users. The App will be available for I phones very shortly. The Borough will use the free app to disseminate information throughout the borough. The app gives users access to the information on the Borough's website.

Councilor Yacovissi made a motion to approve Borough Manager partnering with Wellsboro Municipal Authority to purchase New Holland tractor with boom mower from Charleston Township. The price is \$40,000. Councilor West seconded the motion and it carried.

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

Mayor's Report

Councilor West made a motion to accept the retirement of Officer Sam DeLosa. The Borough wishes Officer DeLosa the best of luck going forward and appreciates his 31 years of service to the Borough. Councilor DeCamp seconded the motion and it carried.

Police Report

Councilor West made a motion to approve Police Chief to begin process of purchasing a new police vehicle for next year. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor West made a motion to approve the conditional offer of employment for Michael Bostwick. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

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

Councilor Wood made a motion to accept Keystone Concrete Products, Inc. bid for Brewery Lane box culvert and placement of box culvert for \$105,000, contingent on the Borough receiving Act 13 monies. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Wood made a motion to approve the Borough Manager and Police Chief to move forward under recommendations of Parking Authority to participate in a 2-month pilot program for

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parking kiosks at the Pearl Street and Water Street parking lots. Councilor West seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Wood made a motion to reject the bids for the 2018 paving program and use the Liquid Fuels funds towards the Brewery Lane Bridge Replacement. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor Wood made a motion to purchase security camera system for the Public Works garage and Wastewater Treatment Facility at a cost of \$1,141.43 apiece. Councilor Yacovissi seconded the motion and it carried.

Parks & Recreation, Trees, Beautification, Senior Center

Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve the conversion of Senior Little League Field on Meade Street to an Adult Softball Field at the expense of the Softball League. The Little League will fund converting the field back to a Senior Little league Field in the future, if needed. Councilor DeCamp seconded the motion and it carried. The Adult softball league will sign a reversion clause so if the little league needs it back, it can have it back.

The Tree Program for 2018 has planted 14 trees within the Borough.

The work at Packer Park in front of the tennis courts is complete. Three Firebird Crabapple trees have been planted with two gaslights and benches installed. The area has been seeded with grass seed. The Wellsboro Garden Club will complete the plantings with spot perennial beds.

The Packer Park pool will open on June 6th. Reduced membership rates are available until the end of May. Pool hours are Monday - Friday 1-7pm and 1-6pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Employee Benefits, Negotiations, Insurance, Safety, Training

Councilor DeCamp made a motion to ratify the conditional offer of employment to Joseph A. Hastings for the position of laborer within the Department of Public Works. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor DeCamp made a motion for a conditional offer of employment to Jason T. English for the Position of laborer in the Sewer/Water Division of the Department of Public Works. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilor DeCamp made a motion to approve hiring the following lifeguards at the following rates for the 2018 Summer.

Lynn Moyer	\$14.50
Olivia Kurtz	\$8.25
Abby Feil	\$8.75

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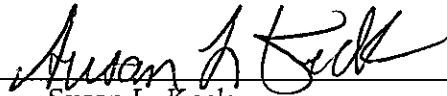
Grace Feil	\$8.75
Kaitlyne Kramer	\$8.75
Sarah Kramer	\$10.00
Emilie Kramer	\$10.00
Brennan Warner	\$7.75
Clayton Osborn	\$7.50
Savanna Baltzley	\$7.75
Eli Macias	\$7.75
Patrick Kovchak (Returning Seasonal Worker)	\$11.00

Other Business

Public Comments- Jim Oberdorf challenged the upcoming fence ordinance setback changes from the current fence ordinance setbacks. He was asked to give his comments at the Public Meeting June 4th.

Adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by _____


Susan L. Keck