

Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025

Council President Matt DeCamp called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room of the Borough Office at 14 Crafton Street. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Attending were Councilors Matt DeCamp, Rhonda Pearson, Louis Prevost, Mike Wood and Julie Henry, Mayor F. Craig West, Chief Chad Boyce, Borough Manager Louis Rachiele and Secretary/Treasurer Amy Kane Perry.

Also attending were Natalie Kennedy (Wellsboro Gazette), Wayne Grey, Mary Ann Heston, Scott Henry, Winneta Seaman, Chrissy Christman and Mark Thompson.

Councilor Pearson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Henry and carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items – none

An Executive Session was called at 5:04pm for personnel issues

The meeting reconvened at 5:17pm

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

HARB – none

Committee Reports:

General Government, Administration, Buildings, Personnel

Councilor Pearson made a motion to ratify and approve accounts payable for all accounts. The motion was seconded by Councilor Prevost and carried.

Councilor Pearson made a motion to approve the January 2025 Treasurer Report. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood and carried.

Councilor Prevost made a motion to send the amended Ordinance Regulating the Accumulation of Solid Waste to the Solicitor for review. The motion was seconded by Councilor Pearson and carried.

Discussion of Proposed Blight Ordinance with consideration for outsourcing to MuniReg will be postponed. Another company offering the same services, HERA, has reached out and offered their services as well. A representative from HERA will be attending the March 4th committee meeting.

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

Mayor's Report

- The mayor is looking forward to the placement of the proposed new police officer so the PD is back to full staff.
- The Winter Fest events being sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce have been a great success so far and he hopes it continues for the remaining Saturdays in February.

Police Report

- Parking enforcement is now active again after receipt of the new handheld ticketing device.
- Winter Fest events have seen a lot of foot traffic, and the Police Department has made sure to have a presence during the events.
- The study of the red light at the intersection of Central and Main is currently being conducted.
- The Wellsboro Police Department has recently been receiving a lot of recognition for their involvement in the arrests of the human trafficking case in Wellsboro.

Councilor Wood made a motion to hire police department applicant Rebecca (Clark) Dupont. The motion was seconded by Councilor Prevost and carried.

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

Grove Miller Engineering traffic study at the intersection of Central Avenue and Main Street has been completed. It is awaiting review by Borough Engineer Scott Bray before submitted to PennDOT.

Engineer Scott Bray is moving forward with the Main Street replacement project utilizing the Multimodal Grant we received.

Parks & Recreation, Trees, Beautification, Senior Center

Employee Benefits, Negotiations, Insurance, Safety, Training

Other Business

Councilor Henry made a motion to approve the Homecoming parade on October 10th and requests for road closures from the Wellsboro Chamber of Commerce on behalf of the Wellsboro Area School District. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood and carried.

The Borough Office will be closed Monday February 17th 2025 in observance of President's Day.

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Public Comment

- **Mary Ann Heston** – Mrs. Heston had concerns regarding funding from state and federal sources. In particular the Multimodal and PennVest Grants that will be funding projects this year.
- **Scott Henry** – Mr. Henry addressed council regarding his candidacy for Sheriff. Mr. Henry has been in law enforcement for 40 years and looks forward to serving the people of Tioga County.

Adjourn – Councilor Wood made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilor Prevost and carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:47pm. The Next Borough Council Meeting is March 10, 2025 at 5 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by


Secretary/Treasurer