

COUNCIL MEETING WESLEYVILLE BOROUGH

Borough Hall, 3421 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510

April 12, 2023 at 6:00PM

Approved Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** 6:00 P.M. Mrs. Julius, President
2. **Invocation:** Mrs. Julius, President
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mrs. Julius, President
4. **Roll Call:**
 - a. **Present:** Mrs. Julius, President; Mr. Petrini, Vice President; Councilors: Mrs. Morrow, Mr. Silbaugh; Mr. Betza, Solicitor; Mr. Dyne, Borough Manager; Mrs. Horanic, Secretary/Treasurer; Mr. Ball PWGS Supervisor.
 - b. **Not in attendance:** Mr. Johnson, Mayor; Mr. Alfieri, Council Member; Mr. Pitonyak, Council Member; Mr. Wilder, Council Member.
5. **Citizens to address Council: No citizens to address council**
6. **Approve Agenda:** Motion made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve the April 12, 2023 agenda, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
7. **Approve Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Petrini to approve March 22, 2023 meeting minutes, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
8. **Old Business:**
 - a. Loader- Loan
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to apply for a loan for the loader up to \$100,000.00. Mr. Dyne stated while we wait for the grant money, we need to get a loan so we can get the loader now because the grant can take up to a year to receive. Mr. Petrini asked if there is a specific amount. Mr. Dyne stated that its \$5,000.00 more than he presented at the last meeting the total amount is \$103,000.00 for the loan. Mrs. Julius asked if they are in agreement that we can get the loan for the vehicle and do it this way because usually we have to get the vehicle after we get the money. Mr. Dyne stated no this is sort of like a reimbursement loan. Mrs. Morrow asked Mr. Dyne if he could shop around for the best rates on loans to make sure we get the best deal we can and not just assume that someone is giving us the best deal. No further discussion, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
 - b. Mr. Alfieri Arrived at 6:23 p.m.
9. **New Business:**
 - a. Gospel Garden Club – Denny Fiscus – Duskas Park
 - i. Area West of the park was bad the Gospel Garden Club thought the best thing to do with getting that area cleaned up and have a fence put in because there's a white fence that runs on the North side the whole way. In order to do that it needs to be cleaned up. Mr. Fiscus has informed the council that he was able to get this all cleaned up. Mr. Fiscus has talked with Kim Hempel the owner of the joining property on Buffalo Road to get her permission to clean everything up and Ms. Hempel was very agreeable so Mr. Fiscus was able to do all that. Our next meeting is May 2nd. Mr. Fiscus was asking about a member of the Gospel Garden Club had come to the council last year and talked about having a fence go in at Duskas Park was wondering if this was correct and I so when could you put the

fence in. Mr. Dyne had read the minutes from the September 14, 2022 meeting “ Motion made by Mr. Pitonyak, seconded by Mr. Wilder to place a fence for Duskas park from Erie Fence, Inc. in the amount of \$3,890.00. After discussion motion was TABLED.” The council did ask if there is money in the budget this year, unfortunately there isn’t. Mrs. Horanic has informed Mr. Fiscus that she will try to work it into the budget for 2024.

- b. State Ethics Form
 - i. Missing Mr. Pitonyak’s form. Mr. Petrini said that he has contacted Mr. Pitonyak and he replied back stated that he is currently out of town and once he gets back, he will take care of it once he gets back.
- c. Hinkler Park Resolution
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to accept Mark Corey’s Hinkler Park Resolution, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
- d. Switch Taylor to project coordinator for Hinkler Park Restroom Project.
 - i. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mrs. Morrow to switch Taylor Foley to the project coordinator for Hinkler Park Restroom Project, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
- e. Wesleyville Clean up Days
 - i. Mrs. Morrow has asked that this be put on the agenda because someone has approached her about the fact that the borough has discontinued Wesleyville Cleanup Days. Mrs. Morrow wanted to know if there is any possibility of this returning. Mr. Petrini has informed the council that the problem was that we had so much stuff coming in from the surrounding area and not just Wesleyville area, we were not able to control it. The cost right now for a three (3) hour community cleanup is about \$2,000.00. \$416.00 in overtime for the streets department to come in. About \$1,525.00 one roll-off pack full and one garbage pack full. This is not including tires and TV’s we will have to pay for. Add fuel on top of that also.

10. Executive Session: convened at 6:43 p.m. regarding personnel matters.

11. Reconvene: 7:24 p.m. Following the reconvening of the regular meeting, Mr. Petrini motioned to advertise for a part-time position in the office, Mr. Alfieri seconded. Unanimous voice vote, motion carries.

12. Treasurer’s Report:

- a. Motion made by Mr. Petrini, seconded by Mr. Alfieri to approve to money transfers for the month for March 2023, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
- b. Mr. Petrini has asked about the Profit & Loss on the General account line item for miscellaneous expense. Its showing on the Profit & Loss that the Borough is over budget by 463.9%. Mrs. Horanic has explained to the council that when Wesleyville closed out the Wesleyville Community Days account and cut a check to the Fire Department this is the account it was placed into for the time. This is not a true expense as this is not money that the borough has spent.
- c. Mr. Petrini has asked questions about check the check details.
 - i. Erie Multimedia- Advertising: This is to pay for the Boroughs website
 - ii. Certified Laborator- Vehicle Maintenance and repair
 - iii. Mark Corey- Engineering- \$4,000.00: This one is for the joint tar & chip

13. Borough Manager

- a. Appointment for office

- i. Already addressed in executive session.
- b. Opened the bids for the College Heights project for the milling, only two bids showed up. Lindy Paving came in at \$85,800.00, Joseph McCormick came in with less than half at \$48,394.00.
 - i. Motion made by Mrs. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Petrini to accept Joseph McCormick bid at \$48,394.00, unanimous voice vote, motion carries.
- c. Someone came in for the baseball field and said that last year the bathrooms weren't flushing and didn't have water and all that. Mr. Ball went down and got everything running and fixed in one day. Costing the Borough \$36.00. Mr. Ball was informed today April 12, 2023 that the people from the little league are going to start working on the ball field behind the DJ office.

14. Borough Council Department Chairs:

- a. Mr. Alfieri- Nothing to report
- b. Mr. Pitonyak – Not in attendance
- c. Mr. Silbaugh – Nothing to report
- d. Mr. Wilder- Not in attendance
- e. Mrs. Morrow- Nothing to report

15. Borough Officers:

- a. Mayor – Mr. Johnson- Not in attendance
 - i. Hometown Hero Banners
 - ii. Wesleyville Community Day
 - iii. Buffalo Road Revitalization
- b. Council President Mrs. Julius- Asked if the bathroom was put into Hinkler Park. Mr. Dyne informed Mrs. Julius that this is done and the cost has increased \$10 month more from last year.
- c. Council Vice President Mr. Petrini- Would like to send the contracts for the utility poles to Mr. Betza to review for the Hometown Banners Projects.

16. Good of the Order:

- a. Next Work Session Meeting April 26, 2023 6:00PM, to be held at the Borough Hall.
- b. Next Council Meeting May 10, 2023 6:00PM, to be held at the Borough Hall.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:49 PM