

Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes November 13, 2017

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, Jennifer Mase Updyke, Michael J. Wood, John Sticklin, Mike Hummel, Terry L. Bryant, Borough Manager Scot F. Boyce, Jr., Chief James Bodine, and Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

VISITORS- Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette, Matt DeCamp and Craig West were in attendance.

MINUTES: Minutes of the October 9, 2017 meeting were approved by Councilor Hummel, seconded by Councilor Sticklin, and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS- None

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

HARB

The following was recommended for approval by HARB:

- 1. Bill and Julie Rodriguez 6 West Avenue-**Install new black architectural shingles: Front half this year and back half next year. Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve. Councilor Hummel seconded the motion and it carried.
- 2. Tioga County- The Green-**Install No smoking signs on the four corners of the Green in close proximity to the sidewalk and garbage cans. Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve. Councilor Hummel seconded the motion and it carried.

Committee Reports:

General Government, Administration, Buildings, Personnel

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

Councilor Bryant made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for September, 2017. Councilor Hummel seconded the motion and it carried.

The November and December Planning Commission meetings will be combined to one meeting and held on December 6th at 6pm.

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

Mayor's Report- Mayor Wheeler explained the need to hire extra fire police for some occasions. Councilor Bryant made a motion to hire extra fire police from the surrounding area to assist the police on Dickens weekend. Councilor Sticklin seconded the motion and it carried.

Police Report- A busy month in the department includes one officer attending a Grand Jury hearing on a homicide. The Department has a big caseload at this time. Dickens planning is in place and the Chief has other departments assisting.

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

Guardrails have been installed on the bridges at Bodine Street, Sears Street, and Eberenz Street, completing the work on the bridges.

The Wellsboro Parking Map is complete and available for distribution.

The Borough has received the final payment of the Buena Vista Street Low Volume Grant closing out the project. The final payment is for \$9,160.26.

Parks & Recreation, Trees, Beautification, Senior Center

An additional \$30,000 has been committed to the Woodland Park Project by the Wellsboro Lions Club as a bequest by Mr. Jon Banik. The total commitment from the Wellsboro Lions Club totals \$40,000. The borough is grateful for Lions Club's commitment to the Woodland Park project.

A new Christmas tree (Black Hills Spruce) has been planted on The Green.

Employee Benefits, Negotiations, Insurance, Safety, Training

Other Business

Public Comments

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by _____
Susan L. Keck, Secretary/Treasurer