

## **Wellsboro Borough Council Meeting Minutes July 14, 2014**

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

**VISITORS-** Janet Strausser, Natalie Kennedy from the Wellsboro Gazette, and Lisa Dodge.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the June 9 and June 23 Council Meeting was approved by motion of Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Mase Updyke, and carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Councilor Connelly made a motion to adopt the application for County Aid in the amount of \$2,398.05. Councilor Sticklin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **Committee Reports:**

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

Councilor Scharf made a motion to ratify and approve accounts payable for all accounts. Councilor Wood seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Scharf made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for May 2014. Councilor Sticklin seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Act 13 Funds we will receive this year is \$155,299.52.

LST Tax for 2013 from audit was \$196,263.00. 25% of this is \$49,065.75. Councilor Scharf made a motion to give the fire department \$18,000.00 and give the Wellsboro Police Department \$31,065.75. Councilor Wood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Councilor Scharf made a motion to ratify UGI price of \$5.14 per dth through August 2015, a decrease from last years' \$5.95 per dth. Councilor Connelly seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Wheeler recommended approving the agreement for participation in the Central Westmoreland Council of Governments Vehicle and Equipment Purchasing Program, for the new police car. This was approved by motion of Councilor Wood, seconded by Councilor Mase Updyke and carried unanimously.

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Police Report: The officers have many ongoing investigations from thefts and burglaries. The prescription drug drop box is installed and has been heavily utilized. This is grant funded and available to the public 24 hours.

The next Police Vehicle purchase is in progress.

The closing deadline for the police applications is Friday, July 18.

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

Councilor Wood made a motion to secure bids for the replacement of bridges on Wetmore and Wingate Street. The bridges will be removed and pipes will be installed. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sticklin and carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood made a motion to approve Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. to perform a complete mapping of all signage and develop a plan for replacement to comply with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) at a cost of \$5,400.00. The motion was seconded by Councilor Scharf and carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood made a motion to secure bids for the first phase of reconstruction on Bodine Street and Buena Vista Street. This calls for installation of storm drainage and widening of both streets. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sticklin and carried unanimously.

Councilor Wood made a motion to contract with Fay Bradley to seal cracks on borough streets at a cost of \$.60 per lineal foot. We will be doing approximately 10,000 Lineal feet. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sticklin and carried unanimously.

The submersible pump at Wooden Shanty Pump House was replaced on July 8<sup>th</sup> at a cost of approximately \$13,000.00.

We have been notified that PennDOT has allocated the remaining funds for Greenwood Street.

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

The Woodland Park Master Plan public meeting will be held on Jul 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Borough Office. All are invited to attend.

Councilor Sticklin made a motion to approve the lease agreement with Tioga County Area Agency on Aging for the use of the Community Center through June 2016 at \$400.00 per month. The motion was seconded by Councilor Scharf and carried unanimously.

There will be a bench installed in front of the Community Center. The County Commissioners and the Area Agency on Aging are helping to pay for this bench.

Classic Car Cruise In will be held on July 26<sup>th</sup> from noon-3 PM on Crafton Street.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Bucktail Reunion will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Woodland Park and on the Green.

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Fall Yard Sale dates are October 17 & 18<sup>th</sup>.

Fall Clean-up is October 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. This will be on your regular collection day.

The Halloween Parade will be held Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> of October.

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

No decision on contract arbitration.

### **Other Business**

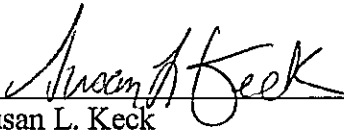
Council received a Thank You letter from Experience Works for the donation, and a Thank you letter from the Chamber for the Laurel Festival assistance.

Northern Tier Solid Waste Authority now offers dry cell battery recycling. This program is sponsored by the Grand Canyon Future Farmers of America. There is a container at the Borough Office.

This weekend is the Youth Educational Hunting Commission Conference.

**Adjourned at 6: 21**

Minutes respectfully submitted by

  
Susan L. Keck