

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2012

Council President Joan Hart called the meeting to order at 6 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attending were Mayor James Daugherty, President Joan S. Hart, Vice President John E. Wheeler, Councilors, Michael J. Wood, John M. Sticklin, Terry L. Bryant and Ronald Bowers; Borough Manager Daniel K. Strausser, Borough Secretary/Treasurer Susan L. Keck.

VISITORS: Police Chief James R. Bodine, Solicitor Christopher Lantz

Minutes of the August 2, 2012 Council Meeting - made by Councilor Wood, seconded by Councilor Bryant, and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #2012-05 APPROVED: Councilor Wood made a motion to adopt Resolution #2012-05 to Purchase 16 Crafton Street, with the four conditions as follows:

1. All income from the property shall be used for the renovations of the building and when the renovations are completed a separate fund be established for future repairs on the building.
2. No tax increase next year
3. People and organizations that have donated money for the purchase or renovation of this property, have no claim to this property.
4. The Police Department will have the other offices in this building, however they will not hire any additional people to work the front office.

This motion was seconded by Councilor Wheeler and carried 3-2 with Councilor Sticklin and Council Bowers against and Councilor Bryant abstaining because of his business connection to the property.

A roll call vote was called for.

Councilor Michael J. Wood –	Yes
Councilor Ronald Bowers-	No
Vice President John E. Wheeler -	Yes
President Joan S. Hart-	Yes
Councilor John M. Sticklin	No

UGI pricing locked in until August 2013: Borough Manager Dan Strausser recommended Council lock in approximate price of \$5.95 per dekatherm for a one year period. The motion was made by Councilor Sticklin, seconded by Councilor Bowers, and carried unanimously to lock in the in approximate price of \$5.95 per dekatherm for a one year period.

Other Business

Michael Cooney, a Buena Vista Street resident, expressed concern about the dusty, potholed road, and the neighboring property with its' junk vehicles and barking dogs locked up in the garage. Borough Manager Strausser responded with an update on the municipal charges filed against the property owner. A hearing is scheduled for next week on this matter however the barking dog issue may need to be addressed separately. A

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contributing factor to the road condition is the heavy truck traffic. Mr. Cooney was advised to take down the license plate number of the large trucks and report it.

Before the Executive Session began Councilor Wheeler excused himself from the meeting.

An Executive Session to discuss a police personnel matter began at 6:12 p.m.

Out of Executive Session at 6:26 p.m.

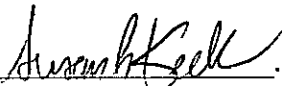
Officer DeLosa removal authorized-A motion was made by Councilor Wood to remove Officer Samuel DeLosa as a Police Officer of Wellsboro Borough. This was seconded by Councilor Bowers and carried 4-1, with Councilor Sticklin voting no.

A motion was made by Councilor Bryant to authorize Solicitor Lantz to negotiate an agreement to allow final disposition of Officer DeLosa's removal to be determined by arbitration. This was seconded by Councilor Wood and carried 4-1, with Councilor Sticklin voting no.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by


Susan L. Keck