

Regular Meeting  
February 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of West Newton Borough Council was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in Council Chambers. President Charlie Krasnevich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members Tony Berarducci, Charlie Krasnevich, Connie Pollock, Charlie Popovich, Dave Tamasy, David Tamasy and Arlene Tomich called present during roll call.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**\*\*Let it be duly noted a large delegation of residents present at this meeting regarding tax increase, budget and newly created Borough Manager position.**

**Delegates:**

1. Nancy Molovich-Mrs. Molovich was representing West Newton Community Pool Board in regards to funding assistance with pool improvements necessary to open in the Spring. Discussion was held relative to funding for renovations. Mayor Popovich reported she is working on a grant that requires a match of \$7,000.00 and asked if the Borough would be willing to sponsor \$3,750.00. It was determined the Pool Board will meet with Finance Committee to discuss options.
2. Paul Williams-Mr. Williams was present to update Council on EMA activities.

**Motion 02-01** was made by Councilman Popovich to commit \$3,750.00 pledge towards grant match for swimming pool. Second made by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Professional and Department Reports:**

**Engineers Report**

**Supervisors Report**

**Solicitors Report**

**Mayors Report**

**No Zoning Report**

**Committee Reports**

**Streets, Recreation:** No report

**Law, Insurance:** Councilman Tamasy reported on progress with G.C. Murphy building demolition/renovation and an Ordinance he is preparing to bypass District Court and proceed directly to Commonwealth Court for the enforcement of blighted properties. Councilwoman Tomich expressed her opinion concerning the lack of communication between Council members and failure to comply with 24-hour notice for Special meeting.

**Motion 02-02** was made by Councilwoman Tomich to provide 24 hours notice for any special meetings and Council business. Second made by Popovich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Finance, Budget:**

**Resolution 2018-2: A Resolution naming signators for Borough banking accounts.**

**Motion 02-03** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to adopt Resolution 2018-2 as presented. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-04** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to adopt the 2018 budget as presented. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by roll call vote with Pollock, Tamasy Jr., Tamasy Sr., Krasnevich and Popovich voting yes and Tomich and Berarducci voting no.

General Fund	\$876,275.00
Sewer System	\$563,500.00
Liquid Fuels	\$ 95,010.00

**Ordinance 2018-1-An Ordinance fixing the tax rate for 2018**

**Motion 02-05** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to consider Ordinance 2018-1. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by roll call vote with Tamasy Jr., Tamasy Sr., Krasnevich and Popovich voting yes and Pollock, Tomich and Berarducci voting no.

**Motion 02-06** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to adopt Ordinance 2018-1 as presented. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by roll call vote with Tamasy Jr., Tamasy Sr., Krasnevich and Popovich voting yes and Tomich, Pollock and Berarducci voting no.

**Personnel:** Secretary Humenik inquired when her final day of employment will take place. She was told resumes are being submitted, will be reviewed and interviews conducted before she will be notified of dismissal of her position.

**Sewage, Community Revitalization:** No report

**Public Safety:** No report

**Properties:** Councilwoman Tomich reported she and Councilwoman Pollock will be attending a hearing at Magistrate Christners February 14 involving a blighted property.

**Minutes: Motion 02-07** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to accept the minutes as presented. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Bills: Motion 02-08** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to approve the bills as presented for payment. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Treasurers Report: Motion 02-09** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to accept the Treasurers Report as submitted. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**No Tax Collectors Report**

**Police & Mayors Report: Motion 02-10** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to accept the Police & Mayors Report as submitted. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Communications:** Application for Westmoreland County Local Arts Grant available, information on West Nile Virus Control Program, invitation from North Belle Vernon for a meet and greet on May 16 at 5:30 p.m. and notice of PSAB conference in Hershey June 10-13.

**Motion 02-11** was made by Councilman Popovich to approve the placement of an ad in the WCBA banquet book. Second made by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-12** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 9:20. Second by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.