

Regular Meeting
November 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of West Newton Borough Council was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 in Council Chambers, 112 South Water Street. Council President Charlie Krasnevich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers Charlie Krasnevich, Connie Pollock, Charlie Popovich, Dave Tamasy and Arlene Tomich called present during roll call.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Delegates:

#1 Dave Baustert-Crooked Creek Distillery-Mr. Baustert was present to discuss the letter sent to him regarding the ceasing of the barbeque on the public sidewalk. Mr Baustert went on to state he is anticipating leasing the vacant lot on Main Street from the Progress Fund for barbeque and other events and is currently cooking in the rear of the building.

Professional and Department Reports:

- Engineers Report: Engineer Contestabile reviewed the work in progress report.
- Supervisors Report: Supervisor Friedemann updated Council on Street Dept projects. Friedemann went on to request Council's decision concerning the sinking of a portion of Orr Road. Discussion was held relative to the safety of motorists and school buses and the number of households affected. Solicitor Dalfonso stated Yough does not have any buses that will be affected by a closure. Mayor Popovich stated she would contact Belle Vernon School District regarding their buses using that road.

Motion 11-01 was made by Councilwoman Tomich to close Orr Road from Vernon Drive to the bridge. Second made by Pollock. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

- Solicitors Report: Solicitor Dalfonso reported on a meeting held with CSX Transportation relative to a complaint filed with the PUC against them. He stated limited discussion was held relative to the closing of the crossing and a permanent thruway being built. This was only discussion—PUC and PennDot reps not present.
- Mayors Report: Mayor Popovich read the Police report.
- Zoning Report: One remodel permit and nine occupancy inspections for month of October.

Committee Reports:

Streets, Recreation, Sewage: Councilman Berarducci was not present due to work obligations.

Finance, Budget: No report

Personnel: No report

Public Safety: No report

Properties, Sanitation: No report

Reports Submitted for Approval:

- **Minutes:** Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 11-02** to approve the minutes of the October meeting as presented. Second by Pollock. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.
- **Bills:** Councilman Popovich made **Motion 11-03** to approve the bills submitted for payment. Second by Tomich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.
- **Treasurers Report:** Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 11-04** approving the Treasurers Report as presented. Second by Pollock. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.
- **Tax Collectors Report:** Secretary Humenik reported total collections year to date in the amount of \$282,184.85. Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 11-05** to accept the Tax Collectors Report as submitted. Second by Popovich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.
- **Police & Mayors Report:** Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 11-06** to approve the Police & Mayors Report as submitted. Second by Popovich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 11-07** to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Second made by Popovich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

Pamela M. Humenik
Borough Sec./Treas.