

BOROUGH OF WHITE OAK
Minutes of a Special Meeting of Council
December 28, 2020, 6:30 PM
White Oak Community Center

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Chuck Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chuck Davis

ROLL CALL: Chuck Davis requested the roll call. In attendance was:

Elected Officials:

Charles Davis, President
Julie Opferman
George Dillinger
George Pambacas
Kenneth Robb
Joseph Nagy

Borough Staff and Professional Services:

Patricia McGrail, Solicitor
John Palyo, Borough Manager

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Standing Committee Reports

Finance: Mr. George Dillinger presented the 2021 Budget

Presentation of the 2021 Budget for the following funds:

- General Fund
- Solid Waste Fund
- Capital Projects Fund
- Liquid Fuels Fund
- Fire Fund
- Non-Uniformed Pension Fund
- Uniformed Pension Fund
- Post Retirement Fund

Presentation of the 2021 Tax Levy Ordinance

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTION #2020-31

George Dillinger made a motion to approve a Resolution of the Borough of White Oak, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for specific purposes of the municipal government, hereinafter set forth, during the year of 2021 and fixing the tax rate for the year 2021. Julie Opferman seconded the motion.

Comments: George Dillinger commented that the tax increase would increase the taxes by \$79.50 per year on a home valued at \$50,000; \$159.00 on a home valued at \$100,000; and \$238.50 on a home valued at \$150,000. He also mentioned that he along with Council Members Lou Bender, Julie Opferman, George Pambacas and Borough Manager John Palyo had a Finance meeting and started initially at a 1.5 Million shortfall. Through cuts made to the proposed budget, that was reduced to \$994,000 shortfall. We have one million in surplus and we would completely eliminate a fund balance if a tax increase was not implemented. We are also making a ½ Bond payment in 2021 with an additional \$290,000 to the Bond payment in 2022.

Council President Chuck Davis asked for a Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes Votes: George Dillinger, Julie Opferman, Joseph Nagy, Charles Davis, George Pambacas, Kenneth Robb

No Votes: None

The motion passed with six (6) yes votes and zero (0) no votes.

ORDINANCE #2020-32

George Dillinger made a motion to approve an Ordinance of the Borough of White Oak, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Tax Rate for The Year 2021. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. (Note: This ordinance set the tax rate at 8.00 mills.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Meetings are subject to change due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, please check or website for any updates.)

- **January 11, 2021, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting (Open to the Public)**
- **January 18, 2021, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting (Open to the Public)**
8:00 PM – Council Meeting (Open to the Public)

- **The Borough Office will be closed on Friday, January 1st for the New Year's holiday.**

On behalf of the Borough of White Oak Council, Mayor, and Staff, we wish you a Happy New Year.

ADJOURNMENT

Kenneth Robb made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 PM. Joseph Nagy seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

John Palyo
Borough Manager, Secretary & Treasurer

01.18.21
Date Approved by Council