

**BOROUGH OF WHITE OAK**  
**Minutes of July 18, 2022 7:30 PM**  
**Council Meeting**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Charles Davis called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Charles Davis

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

**Elected Officials:**

Charles Davis, President  
Mayor Ina Marton  
Joelle Harbert  
Julie Opferman  
George Pambacas  
Jason Russell  
Louis Bender

**Borough Staff and Professional Services:**

Patricia McGrail, Borough Solicitor  
Kenneth Hillman, Borough Engineer  
John Palyo, Borough Manager  
MaryAnn Winemiller, Admin. Asst.

**MINUTES:** George Pambacas made a motion to accept the minutes for the June 20, 2022 Council Meeting. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Ms. Patricia L. McGrail

Prior to the meeting on July 18, 2022 an Executive Session was held to discuss a current litigation matter.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS REGULAR MEETING:** Under the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. § 710.1. Public participation: The Borough of White Oak will provide an opportunity for residents and taxpayers of the Borough to make public comments. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ernest Klement – 333 Circle Drive

Mr. Klement addressed Council concerning a home across the street from his and several issues.

- 324 Circle Drive has been vacant for approximately 20 years
- Sewage is coming up in the driveway and running onto the street into a Sanitary Sewer
- Broken Windows and trees growing out of roof of the house
- Has reported these issues to the Estate Executive with no response or action taken

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Charles Davis

None

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Ina Marton provided the Police Activity Report for June 2022.

Arrests: (15adults / 0 juvenile)	15
Disorderly Conduct	4
Drug Offenses	2
DUI	2
Harassment	1
Recklessly Endangering Another Person	2
Theft	4
Summary Traffic Violations	84
Total Incidents	654

Mayor Marton reported to Council:

- All MIST Training completed
- Annual Fire Arms Qualifications are completed
- 2 Defensive/ Control Tactics Classes will be taught this year to all officers.
- Startup of the Community Watch program in the fall.
- CPR and First Aid recertifications are scheduled for August 1 and August 8, 2022

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Jason Russell

Jason Russell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for June 2022. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jason Russell made a motion approving the Check Register for the month of June, which includes Electronic Fund Transfers and General Fund Checks in the following ranges (208591 to 208716) totaling \$1,494,310.58. Joelle Harbert seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jason Russell made a motion authorizing the following Interfund Transfers for the month of June. Joelle Harbert seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

From	To	Amount
Liquid Fuels	General Fund	8,869.65
Solid Waste	General Fund	41,974.18
Capital Projects	General Fund	936,637.73
Post Retirement	General Fund	2,079.24
Fire Fund RVFC	General Fund	342.44
Fire Fund WOVFC#1	General Fund	553.06
Total Transfers		\$990,456.30

**HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND CABLE:** Ms. Joelle Harbert

Announcements:

- Electronics and Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Collection drop off program is scheduled for Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Borough Building. You must register on line or by calling 412-567-6566. This is a pay as you go program and information is available on our website and at the Borough office.

**PARKS AND RECREATION:** Ms. Julie Opferman

Announcements:

- White Oak Borough 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee planning meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Anyone who is interested in helping with the celebration are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- White Oak Borough Community Softball Tournament scheduled for Saturday; July 30<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to a lack of participation.
- White Oak Borough Community Day is Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Heritage Hill Park Complex.
- Admission to Heritage Hill Pool is free for White Oak residents on Community Day

**PLANNING AND ZONING:** Ms. Joelle Harbert

Presented the monthly permit/violation report for June 2022, the report is available for review during normal business hours at the borough building.

Applications for the Code Enforcement Officer position are being accepted at the White Oak Borough Building.

**PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:** Louis Bender  
No Report

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Mr. George Pambacas

George Pambacas presented the monthly report for June 2022, the report is available for review during normal business hours at the borough building.

George Pambacas made a motion to accept the 2022 Bid for Rock Salt through the South Hills Area COG Purchasing Alliance in the base bid amount of \$ 88.96 as provided by Cargill, Inc. and authorize the President and Borough Manager to execute all contracts for the 2022-2023 winter season. Joelle Harbert seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

George Pambacas made a motion to purchase a new Case Model 580SN Backhoe from Groff Tractor & Equipment, including trade-in value of our 2005 CAT 420D Backhoe, under the Costars Joint Purchasing Program for a grand total of \$ 104,990.00. Jason Russell seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PERSONNEL:** Charles Davis  
No Report

**TAX COLLECTORS' REPORTS:** Charles Davis

Joelle Harbert made a motion to accept the Tax Collectors' Reports and pay the commissions and fees due for June 2022. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Mr. Ken Hillman

Joelle Harbert made a motion to accept the Engineer's Report and pay the fees due to Senate Engineering Company for Invoices 61469 through 61480, dated June 29, 2022 totaling \$46,578.75. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Julie Opferman made a motion to approve Pay Request #5 Final in an amount of \$373,644.78 and approve a summary change order deduct in the amount of \$ 39,001.99 submitted by Pugliano Construction Co, Inc. for the 2022 Storm Sewer & Inlet Project as reviewed and approved by the Engineer and authorize the Borough Manager to sign the above listed request on behalf of the Borough. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Joelle Harbert made a motion to approve Pay Request #2 in an amount of \$650,283.12 submitted by Tresco Paving Corporation and reduce retainage from 10% to 5% for the 2022 Paving Project as reviewed and approved by the Engineer and authorize the Borough Manager to sign the above listed request on behalf of the Borough. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Patricia L. McGrail

Julie Opferman made a motion to accept the Solicitor's Report and pay the fees due to McGrail & Associates, LLC for Invoices 38026 through 38035, dated July 12, 2022 totaling \$3,732.76. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:** Ms. Patricia L. McGrail

**RESOLUTION #2022-19**

George Pambacas made a Resolution of the Borough of White Oak, County of Allegheny and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approving the revision to the Sewage Facilities Plan submitted by Hartley King as part of the proposed Sonic Development Project as required by the PA Department of Environmental Protection. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman George Pambacas announced that the next Senior Activity Meeting will be held Wednesday July 27, 2022 at 1:00. Free Yoga Classes will be offered at 11:00 am. All meetings are being held at the White Oak Community Center.

November 28, 2022 – Oglebay Bay Park Trip

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

(Meetings will be held at the Borough Building and are open to the Public)

- August 8, 2022, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting
- August 15, 2022, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting
  - 7:30 PM – Council Meeting

**ADJOURNMENT:** Julie Opferman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 P.M. Joelle Harbert seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

*John Palyo*

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John Palyo  
Borough Manager, Secretary & Treasurer

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Date Approved by Council