

**Borough of White Oak  
Special Meeting of Council  
December 28, 2022, 6:45 PM  
White Oak Borough Municipal Building  
Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Charles Davis called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Charles Davis

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

**Elected Officials:**

Charles Davis, President  
Joelle Harbert  
Julie Opferman, via phone  
George Pambacas  
Jason Russell  
Lorree Scharritter

**Borough Staff and Professional Services:**

John Palyo, Borough Manager

**MINUTES:** George Pambacas made a motion to accept the minutes for the October 17, 2022 Council Meeting. Joelle Harbert seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** 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:** None

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE:** Mr. Jason Russell

1. Presentation of the 2023 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
  
2. Presentation of the 2023 Tax Levy Ordinance

The Borough Manager John Palyo presented a brief overview of the 2023 budget and the tax levy ordinance.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:** Mr. Charles Davis, President

Joelle Harbert made a motion to adopt Resolution #2022-29, 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 2023 and fixing the tax rate for the year 2023. Loree Scharritter seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Joelle Harbert made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2022-30, an Ordinance of the Borough of White Oak, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Tax Rate for The Year 2023. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Joelle Harbert made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2022-31, an Ordinance of the Borough of White Oak amending Ordinance 3611 which amended Article 1111 of the Borough's Health and Sanitation Code specifically Sections 1111.06 and 1111.07 thereof establishing fees regarding permits issued to garbage and refuse collectors and fees regarding the collection of garbage, rubbish and recyclables in the Borough, adopting procedures for the collection of said fees, including delinquencies and establishing rules regarding eligibility for garbage, rubbish and recyclable collection services by the collector duly contracted with and by the Borough. George Pambacas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

George Pambacas commented on the motion that he wrestled with this ordinance and tried to do the best for the Borough residents.

Joelle Harbert made a motion to adopt Resolution #2022-32, a Resolution of the Borough of White Oak, establishing annual fees for the collection of trash, garbage, recyclables and other refuse by the Borough's contracted hauler and further establishing a schedule of charges imposed on delinquent accounts. Julie Opferman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

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

- January 9, 2023, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting
- January 16, 2023, 6:45 PM – Council Workshop Meeting
  - 7:30 PM – Council Meeting
- The Borough Office will be closed on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> in observance of the New Year's holiday.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** George Pambacas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 PM. Julie Opferman 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