# Borough of White Oak Meeting of Council September 15, 2025, 7:30 PM White Oak Borough Municipal Building

# **Agenda**

**CALL TO ORDER** 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL** 

MINUTES: August 11, 2025, Council Workshop Meeting

August 18, 2025, Council Meeting

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Ms. Ashley Puchalski

## Presentation and Recognitions: Mayor Ina Marton

- Introduction of our new Chief of Police, Jason Binder, who was sworn in to office on September 3rd
- Proclamation to Sampson's Mills Presbyterian Church who has served the community for 125 years.
- Proclamation recognizing that September 17<sup>th</sup> marks the 238<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States and designating the week of September 17<sup>th</sup> as Constitution Week.

**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.

President's Report: Mr. Charles Davis

1.

Mayor's Report: Ms. Ina Marton

1. Monthly Police Department Report for August

2.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance: Mr. Jason Russell

- 1. Treasurer's Report August 2025 (Refer to the separate attachment)
- 2. Motion approving the Check Register for the month of August, which includes Electronic Fund Transfers and General Fund Checks in the following ranges (51883 to 52000; and 100016) totaling \$393,814.59.

3. Motion authorizing the following Interfund Transfers for the month of August.

| From            | То           | Amount       |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Liquid Fuels    | General Fund | 10,043.37    |
| Solid Waste     | General Fund | 70,859.10    |
| Post Retirement | General Fund | 3,879.39     |
| Total Transfers |              | \$ 84,781.86 |

4. Motion establishing the annual MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation), for the year of 2026 for the appropriate pension plans:

| Plan                          | Amount of MMO |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Uniformed Retirement Plan     | \$254,503.00  |
| Non-Uniformed Retirement Plan | \$222,769.00  |
| TOTAL 2024 MMO                | \$477,272.00  |

5. Motion to open an account at First Commonwealth Bank to be designated specifically for the MS Park Improvement Fund and authorize the Council President and Borough Manager to execute all documents on behalf of the Borough.

6.

#### Health, Environment and Cable: Ms. Joelle Harbert

- 1. Motion to reject the proposal from Cautela Enterprises in the amount of \$ 13,000.00 for the demolition of 1139 California Avenue that was accepted at the July 21<sup>st</sup> Council meeting (contractor withdrew his proposal).
- 2. Motion to accept the proposal from Guffy Construction in the amount of \$ 13,200.00 for the demolition of 1139 California Avenue as recommended by the Engineer and authorize the President and Borough Manager to execute all documents pertaining to the project.
- 3. Motion to approve a one-year contract extension with Big's Sanitation for the collection and disposal of solid waste once per week and collection of recyclables every other week for the calendar year 2026 at a rate of \$ 23.75 per unit per month and authorize the President and Borough Manager to execute all necessary documents.

4.

## Parks and Recreation: Ms. Julie Opferman

- 1. Announcements:
  - Veteran's Memorial Project Buy a Brick Campaign to support the development of the memorial: 4"x8" Red Brick is \$ 100.00; 8"x8" Red Brick is \$150.00; and 4"x4" Replica Coaster is \$ 15.00. Go to our website for more details and ordering instructions.
  - o Post Event Comments:
    - o Hero Run / Walk
- 2. White Oak Senior Citizens Update: George Pambacas
- 3. White Oak Athletic Association Update: Loree Scharritter

4.

## Planning and Zoning: Ms. Amanda DePaulis

1. **Present the monthly permit/violation report for August.** (Refer to the separate attachment)

2.

## Public Safety: Ms. Loree Scharritter

- 1. Motion to accept the resignation of Gerasimos Athans, Patrol Officer, effective August 28, 2025.
- 2. Motion to approve a MOU between the FOP (Lodge 91) and the Borough and authorize the President and Borough Manager to execute the MOU on behalf of the Borough.

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#### Public Works: Mr. George Pambacas

1. **Present the monthly report for August**. (Refer to the separate attachment)

2.

Personnel: Mr. Charles Davis

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## **TAX COLLECTORS' REPORTS**

1. Motion to accept the Tax Collectors' Reports and pay the commissions and fees due for August 2025 (Refer to the separate attachment)

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Ms. Amber Yon / Mr. Robert Roach

1. Motion to accept the Engineer's Report

2.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Ashley Puchalski

- 1. Motion to accept the Solicitor's Report.
- 2.

# **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:** Ms. Ashley Puchalski

## **RESOLUTION #2025-14**

To make refund of certain real property taxes to certain property owners as hereinafter listed by reason of official change order, gentrification, issued by the Allegheny County Board of Assessments, appeals and review as well as abatements or overpayments.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

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

- October 13, 2025, 6:45 PM Council Workshop Meeting
- October 20, 2025, 6:45 PM Council Workshop Meeting
  - 7:30 PM Council Meeting

#### **ADJOURNMENT**