

WYALUSING BOROUGH MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall

July 7, 2025 @ 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their council meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on Monday July 7, 2025, at 7:00 pm. Those in attendance were:

Council Members: Josh Kilmer, Brooks Blemlle, Josh VanDeMark, Ali Huber, Dr Dee Huber, Micah Dietz

Absent: All present

Others: Bruce Pitts, Public Works, Sandie Zionkowski, Secretary/Treasurer

Public: Warren Howeler, Tyler Brown

Council member Josh Kilmer led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Josh Kilmer acknowledged the use of digital voice recorder.

Mayor's Report:

- Police report was reviewed with no significant findings
- Mayor's Report-
 - 6/10/25- Attended WMA Meeting- rate resolution and drop box wanted, blink cameras were installed after the intrusion, no trespassing signs put up, possible leak.
 - 6/12/25- WCT meeting- I joined the group trying to assist at increasing public awareness and participation (next meeting tomorrow)
 - 6/14/25- Serenade in the Grove at Grovedale by WCT
 - 6/21/25- Attended Museum opening
 - Multiple concerns voiced on cemetery.
 - 7/4/25- Notified of deer caught up in the creek at the bridge, game commission called and removed by game warden

Citizens' Comments and Concerns:

- No Citizens Comments or Concerns

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of June 2, 2025, for the council meeting was reviewed by council members. There were no corrections to the minutes as presented. Brooks Blemler made the motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Micah Dietz. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

- Josh VanDeMark made a motion to pay the bills and accept the Treasurer's Report as presented second by Dr Dee Huber, the motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.
- The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by Council members. The council accepted the report, and it was filed for audit.

Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report:

- **Routine Town Maintenance-** Brush, Branch under 4' long, No plastic, paper boxes or bags, reusable totes and containers only
- Grass mowing and weed trimming, heat and rain delays
- Monitor green dump for space (budget for grinding/chipping)
- 5/5 Skeet ankle sprain, Light duty work

- **NON-ROUTINE MAINTENANCE**
 - Apply weed and grass control to borough streets, cut brush from signs and right of ways
 - Route 6 trimming and weed cutting at the town border, weed control as permitted
 - Above the ground pool blowout Pearl Street significant rocks debris in roadway, property damage
 - Illegal dumping of construction debris at green fill dump
 - Tractor Trailer blown engine, oil spill State Street 6/25 M&B Trucking Towanda to cleanup

- **BUILDING & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE**
 - Repair very old fuel transfer pump (replace or rebuild)
 - HVAC installed early May completed- bulk tank to be set in July
 - Wash equipment, pressure washer is failing, need efficient leaf blower

- **CEMETARY**

- Several cave ins, filled
 - Topsoil delivered and new tarp placed
 - Tire repair on Big Bad Boy mower, new blades again, both mowers operation issues
 - Delivered and setup dorm refrigerator from Borough Hall
 - Resident verbally abused Caretaker, Regulations state: No fence or grade change allowed- Certified Letter sent with rules and regulations- removed fence as requested
 - Weed control applied along fence line
- **OLD BUSINESS**
 - Bid items: 2024 front steps to Borough Hall - HUD
- **CURRENT PROJECTS**
 - Borough Hall- waiting on bulk propane tank) July
 - HUD front concrete step replacement
- **CREEKSIDE PARK**
 - Removed buried coil of copper wire
 - Ruts from mowing wet and soft ground
 - Complaint about outhouse cleanliness, high use? Undesirables? Add one, close park at dusk, Clean 2x a week?
- **BOROUGH PARK**
 - Block building needs cleanout and refurb
 - Water supply issue for park
 - Disconnected power to RTL food stand/ moved
 - Park turfing, State Police called, camera footage reviewed, suspect vehicle on site
- **ROAD PROJECTS**
 - Parking and crosswalk lines repainted
 - PennDOT Crosswalk request for Rte. 6 – initial contact made
- **BREWER HOLLOW**
 - Route patrol, pipes under road will require machine cleanout
 - Planting area, not accessible by Borough truck
- **Guardian Green Space**
 - Property maintenance as required
 - Routine acts of vandalism
- **Zoning Permits:**
 - Tractor Supply, lighted signs over 32 sq. ft. site work 6/9 start- Contractor meeting scheduled for July 1

- Permit for baker issued
 - Fire Hall under construction
 - Addition and deck Pleasant Street- permitted
 - Proposed Pipeline through Creekside Park- (forward Solicitor/Council)
 - Deck expansion John Street no permit. Contractor? DH and knock
- **CODE ENFORCEMENT**
- No water at Taylor Ave home, condemn letter sent by Solicitor
 - High grass door hangers Canal Street, letter sent- owner complied
 - Enforce grass and debris in Streets fine, ignorance of residents and lawn service continues
 - High grass weeds, collapsing garage on Gaylord Ave
- **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**
- Attended EMA Meeting – June 10th
- **QUESTIONS FOR THE COUNCIL**
- Code violation. Dilapidated buildings/junk cars, nuisance properties
 - Storm water run-off on 3rd and Senate from private gravel road?

Foster Correspondence and Report:

- Reviewed WMA Ordinance moving the exclusive power by WMA to establish impose and amend all rates/ charges/ permit fees/ connection and or tapping fees and all other charges and acknowledging that the WMA shall own and operate the sewer and water system as an “operating authority” repealing prior inconsistent ordinances to the extent of any inconsistency with this ordinance- Ordinance advertised Thursday, June 26, 2025 for this meeting – Motion to approve WMA Ordinance 1st by Micah Dietz, 2nd by Dr Dee Huber- Council carried the motion unanimously
- Foster is continuing to review Route 6 signs and Tractor Supply Signage

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report:

- Minutes were submitted from the WMA- minutes were reviewed- no discussion on minutes.
- WMA Ordinance approved and motion accepted by notes under Foster Correspondence
- WMA has asked for a drop box, Council has asked for further details and ideas of how or where to locate the drop box. It is preferred that the box is mounted inside the building with minimal building disruption and cost effectiveness.
- Josh explained that enforcing water shut offs for Boro residents that are shut off longer than 3 mos. will be imposed. Further instruction of communication between WMA and Boro Secretary will be confirmed.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) Bradford County Tourism Promotion Agency/ Notice to all Municipalities in Bradford County
- (2) Storb Environmental Inc
- (3) CX Energy

No Comments on correspondence

New Business:

- Zoning Board New Members- Motion to approve the following new members into the Zoning Board- Tyler Brown, Devin Masters- Josh VanDeMark made the motion to approve, Micah Dietz seconded the motion, Council carried the motion unanimously
- Berkheimer Resolution- Resolution discussed to remove Alicia Kerr from Boro Secretary contact for Berkheimer and to add Sandra Zionkowski as new Boro Secretary- Micah Dietz made to motion to approve, Brooks Blemle 2nd the Motion- Council carried the motion unanimously
- Guardian Greenspace- vandalism complaint discussed- possibility of looking into the cost of cameras to be installed for monitoring of the park – pricing to be researched

Old Business:

- PennDOT sign notice update- no updates currently-
- Brewer Hollow Development Discussion- no current updates
- Zoning Board Members- resolved- committee is now full
- WMA Monitor- tabled- no further discussion
- Status of Rotary Club- District Grant- Disk Golf- no updates

Meeting adjourned- 7:32

Next Meeting August 4, 2025

Submitted by,

Sandie Zionkowski, Boro Secretary/Treasurer