

BOROUGH OF WHITAKER
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 11, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

David Funk, President of Council, called the regularly scheduled council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

David Funk, President of Council, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECORDING OF MEETING

Dave Funk, Vice President of Council, read the following statement, "This meeting is being recorded for a matter of record and in assistance in the preparation of the minutes."

ROLL CALL

Council Present: David Funk, President of Council; Christopher Prilla, Vice President of Council; Dan Urban; Matt Pasquantonio; Richard Lassige; Robert Silvasy; Albert Race.

Others Present: Gina Rosso, Solicitor; Michele Lippert, Borough Secretary

Council Absent: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dave Funk, President of Council, announced that an Executive Session was held on March 4, 2025 regarding litigation and personnel issues.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept the minutes of the February 11, 2025 Council Meeting:

- Motion – Chris Prilla
- Second – Al Race
- Voice Vote – All in Favor

MOTION CARRIES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance: The financial report for February 2025 was presented by Bob Silvasy.

Motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills as presented.

- Motion – Chris Prilla
- Second – Rich Lassige

ROLL CALL:

Dan _Y_ Matt _Y_ Rich _Y_ Dave _Y_ Bob _Y_ Al _Y_ Chris _Y_

MOTION CARRIES

<u>Streets, Roads & Property:</u>	All Roads are good, no report submitted from PW, had routine duties getting ready for spring.
<u>Recreation:</u>	Bathrooms at ballfield need to be shut down due to electrical & plumbing issues.
<u>Police & Personnel:</u>	Al Race reported that Chief needed the keys, the Explorer would not start, battery issues.
<u>Health & Sanitation:</u>	Rich Lassige reported 5 door knockers all complied.
<u>Fire & EMS:</u>	Dan Urban read the report – February Calls = 23 Baldwin EMS calls & 2 Fire Department calls.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Whitaker Sewage Committee:</u>	Rich Lassige reported he had 2 hearings, 1 was dismissed 1 was fined. Three violation notices were mailed out, hearings are pending. Urban completed the work at 837 on the storm sewer line, however, Rich feels more stone over there, he will call the Bob the engineer.
<u>Planning Committee:</u>	No Report.
<u>Tax Collection Committee:</u>	Secretary Lippert reported next meeting April 3, 2025.
<u>Recreation Committee:</u>	No Report.
<u>Mayor's Report:</u>	Whitaker PD answered 70 calls; PSP answered 9 calls for a total of 79 calls.
<u>Solicitor's Report:</u>	No Report.
<u>Engineer Report:</u>	Dave Funk read the report for February 2025.
<u>Bldg. Insp/Code Enforce Rpt:</u>	Secretary Lippert read the report for February 2025.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion to make the following signer changes to First National Bank accounts:

- ♦ **Remove:** Michael Bogesdorfer
- ♦ **Add:** Christopher Prilla

- Motion – Rich Lassige
- Second – Al Race

Dan _Y_ Matt _Y_ Rich _Y_ Dave _Y_ Bob _Y_ Al _Y_ Chris _Y_

MOTION CARRIES

- Motion to accept Shauntez Grant's resignation from public works effective March 06, 2025.

- Motion – Al Race
- Second – Dan Urban
- Voice Vote – All in Favor

MOTION CARRIES

- Motion to give Whitaker Community Cares a donation of \$100 for their Easter Egg Hunt that will be held Saturday April 12, 2025 at 11am at the ballfield.

- Motion – Al race
- Second – Rich Lassige

Dan _Y_ Matt _Y_ Rich _Y_ Dave _Y_ Bob _Y_ Al _Y_ Chris _Y_

MOTION CARRIES

- Motion to appoint Michele Lippert as the Allegheny County Southwest Tax Collection District Delegate effective immediately.

- Motion – Rich Lassige
- Second – Chris Prilla
- Voice Vote – All in Favor

MOTION CARRIES

- Motion to authorize the secretary to advertise Ordinance 1 of 2025 to amend Dumpster Ordinance 1 of 2021.

There was a counter Motion to table the Motion

- Motion – Rich Lassige
- Second – Al Race

Dan _Y_ Matt _Y_ Rich _Y_ Dave _N_ Bob _N_ Al _Y_ Chris _N_

MOTION WAS TABLED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Whitaker Community Cares meetings and events:

- Regular – The next meeting is March 20 at 7 p.m. at the fire hall.
- Music Bingo - **SOLD OUT** - March 29, 2025. Doors open at 4pm, games start at 5pm
- Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 12, 2025. 11am at the ballfield.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

- Motion – Chris Prilla
- Second – Matt Pasquantonio
- Voice Vote – All in Favor

Ruth Henderson 225 Mifflin Street, wanted to speak, did not hear the call for Citizen's Participation.

Motion to UN-adjourn the meeting:

- Motion – Rich Lassige
- Second – Al Race
- Voice Vote – All in Favor

Ruth Henderson 225 Mifflin Street, attended on behalf of the Whitaker Methodist Church. The District Superintendent has given the church a charge. They are looking for help from council. Personally, she has a complaint about how bad the condition of Mifflin Street is, would like to see it replaced or repaired. Would like the speed bump by her home removed, it is a constant nuisance to her as well with the noise from the cars going over it.

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- Motion – Rich Lassige
- Second – Chris Prilla
- Voice Vote – All in Favor