

**West Middlesex Borough
Council Meeting
September 16, 2025**

Call to Order: The West Middlesex Borough Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Borough President Mr. Tim Webster

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Present: President Mr. Tim Webster conducted the meeting, Vice President: Mr. Robert Lark, Mr. William Novak, Mr. Robert Rankin, Mr. Dennis Bollinger, Mayor Stacey Curry.

Others Present: Solicitor: Attorney Robert Tesone (arrived late), Secretary/Treasurer Paula Luca. Police Chief Jason Newton, Malia Brown from 21 News, Dannielle Marks, David Moyer, Harry Kornbau, Kate Shade, WMSD superintendent, Mr. Raymond Omer, Sarah and Brian Miller, David Airgood, Thelma Barnes, Jennifer McCarty.

An Executive Session was August 19th, 2025, September 10th 2025 and for Police and Employee Contract Negotiations and Legal Issues with Shenango Twp. Municipal sewer Authority arbitration.

Public Comments: Mr. Webster reminded all present, the West Middlesex Council is doing its due diligence and are in active negotiations with Shenango Township, so at this time, the Borough Council is not able to answer any specific questions concerning the Police contract. He then opened up for Public Comments asking anyone who speaks to state their name and to keep their comments to 3 minutes to allow time for everyone to speak. Also, please do not interrupt others when they are speaking. Mr. Dave Moyer spoke. He voiced his opinion that he feels the professionalism that Shenango Twp. police department provides the Borough, and the Borough will not find anywhere else. He does not feel there is any other agency out that that can provide the service they do, based on location and what they can provide. He feels the priority should be the safety of our residents. He feels our School and our Children are a higher priority. He encourages Council to realize that information. His opinion is that he does not want a slower response time. He feels if you have a crime, you need someone there as soon as possible. He hopes that we can remain with Shenango Twp. Police. Mr. Webster thanked Mr. Moyer. Mr. Kornbau stated that he lives in the Borough, and he has no complaints with the current Police coverage, but he feels the Township should keep it in the same limits as the last contract. He sees no reason why then can't, and he feels it's up to this Council to figure that out. Mr. Webster thanked Mr. Kornbau. Dannielle Marks voiced her opinion, that if the Borough went with coverage from another municipality, they would only be able to be here certain times, and they would also be taking away from their own coverage of their residents. She stated that she sees Shenango Twp. officers every single day now in the Borough. Mr. Webster thanked Dannielle. No Other Comments.

Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Lark and seconded by Mr. Novak to accept the Minutes from the August 13th, 2025 Work Session Meeting, and August 19th 2025 Council Meeting. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Police Department Report: Police Chief Jason Newton read the Police Report.

Traffic Code: Unlicensed ATV's and 4-wheelers on Streets: Mr. Webster informed Chief Newton that the Borough has received complaints on this topic. He asked the Chief if we need to have an Ordinance to have this enforced. He said the regular traffic codes will cover it. The Chief was asked if the driver has to be 16 years of age if operating in a public place, he will check into that. But if they are riding in the cemetery or

private property, someone needs to call the Police Dept to let them know. The need of an Ordinance would be if you are allowing them to be driven at certain areas. Mr. Webster thanked Chief Newton.

Fire Department Report: Chief Garrett read the Fire Department Report. Mayor Stacey thanked the Fire Department for their help keeping the garden watered. Mr. Lark also thanked the Fire Department for being present to help test the Wet Well at WM Estates.

Attorney Tesone Arrived.

Treasurer's Financial Report: The Treasurer's report was read by Treasurer Paula Luca. A Motion was made by Mr. Novak, and Seconded by Mr. Rankin to accept the Treasures report. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

LSWM Pool Report: Mr. Lark and Mayor Stacey updated all on the Pool. The final report from COG has not been issued as of yet with the final financial report. Mr. Lark also read the report from COG on the Bucket Truck.

WM Estates: The new wet well is installed and running fine. They did run into some issues when installing, however all is completed. An additional item that may be needed is a cement platform around the wet well, that will protect it. The Borough is still waiting for the status of the line inspection from the owners of the property. An additional maintenance fee will be drawn up for the maintenance of the lines going forward. A letter will be sent to each resident of the trailer court with a reminder of what is allowed to be flushed.

Heaters at Pump House and Garage: The employees will be able to install the pumps. Waiting on an updated cost of the heaters.

Halloween Hours: A Motion was made by Mr. Lark to have trick or treat on October 31st from 4:00-6:00, Seconded by Mr. Novak. All in Favor, No opposed. Motion Carried.

PennDOT Sign Permit for Regenex: Mr. Lark made a motion to move forward to help Regenex with the Sign Permit, Seconded by Mr. Novak. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

LSA Grant Resolution: The Borough is hoping to hear by November if the grant that was submitted last year will be awarded. A Motion was made by Mr. Lark to apply for the Grant again this year, Seconded by Mr. Rankin. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Pension MMO Worksheet: The MMO worksheet was presented to the Council to review. A Motion was made by Mr. Lark to accept the MMO Worksheet, Seconded by Mr. Rankin. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Office Computer: A Motion was made by Mr. Novak to use the gift cards earned by the FNB Credit Card for a New Computer Tower. Seconded by Mr. Rankin. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Recycle Ink Cartridges: A Motion was made by Mr. Lark to accept and recycle Ink Cartridges from Residents to help save the environment, Seconded by Mr. Novak. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Veterans Day Parade: The Veterans Day Parade will be hosted this year by the West Middlesex VFW, on Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm. A Motion was made by Mr. Lark for the Borough to apply for the Parade Permit, Seconded by Mr. Novak. All in Favor, No Opposed, Motion Carried.

PennDOT Liquid Fuel Year End Training: PennDOT will be holding Secretary training on November 18th 2025. A Motion was made by Mr. Webster to allow Secretary Paula Luca to attend, Seconded by Mr. Bollinger. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Verbal Report on DEP Inspection at Hogback Run: Mr. Lark gave an update on the DEP inspection of Hogback Run. There is concern of the deterioration of the banks. The Borough will receive a complete written report with recommendations moving forward.

911 Address Update: The Borough received a request from the 911 center to update an address on North Street. Mr. Novak made a motion to go with the recommendation of the 911 representee, seconded by Mr. Rankin. All in Favor, No Opposed, Motion Carried.

Informational Items: Mr. Webster updated all of the upcoming meetings as noted on the agenda. Secretary Paula Luca updated Council that the Girls Softball submitted a copy of their insurance, and they will be practicing at Kiwanis Park on Wednesdays Evening. Mayor Stacey updated all that she received a call about the Circle K building. It was to be put up for delinquent tax-sale; however, it was discovered that the previous owner has died, and his estate is now the Property of Germany. Mayor Stacey is reaching out to Rep. Parke Wentling, Sen. Michele Brooks and Rep. Kelly for assistance in this matter.

Adjournment: A Motion was made by Mr. Novak for adjournment, Seconded by Mr. Rankin. All in Favor, No Opposed. Motion Carried.

Adjournment: 7:30 PM.

The Borough Council will remain for an Executive Session for Contract Negotiations for Police and Employee and also Legal Issues for the Sewer Authority.