

**Borough Council Special Meeting  
October 12, 2021**

The Special meeting of Windber Borough Council was called to order by Windber Borough Council President, Michael Bryan at 5:45 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Council Members were present: Mike Bryan, John Holden, Timothy Layton, Dr. Doug Ledney, Joe Pallo were present. Mayor Mike Thomas was present. James Furmanchik, Borough Manager was present through telecommunications. Ron Mash and James Spinosa were absent.

**Recognition** There were no visitors present.  
**Visitors**

**Borough** Mr. Bryan said the interview that was scheduled for tonight has been postponed to October 26  
**Manager** 2021 at 5:45. This is due to a death in the family of the person being interviewed.

**ARPA** Mrs. Gates said after review of the borough's (wish list) for the ARPA Funds by Wessel &  
**FUNDS** company the following changes were made: The rifle and taser were removed from the police equipment list and the tax collector was added as a part-time employee of the borough at \$500 bonus, a 32 to 39 hour officer was removed and a part-time officer was moved to the 32 to 39 hour due to the fact he worked as a 32 to 39 hour officer all of last year during Covid-19 and part of this year before becoming a part-time officer.

Mrs. Gates said Wessel & Company also computed the revenue reduction money at a higher rate than the boroughs CPA. They sent Mrs. Gates the paperwork for that computation and the amount is \$156,891.00. The final balance left then would be \$9,459.37.

Mr. Bryan said we need to review the list once more because the ballroom is not part of the list and there is a possibility, we might be able to use some of those funds to complete the ballroom rehabilitation project. He said they are hoping to have a better idea once bids are received.

Mr. Furmanchik said that is correct. He said the tentative plan is to have it out for bid the entire month of November and open bids the beginning of December. Construction would begin the end of December.

Mrs. Gates asked if they were saying they want to use the revenue reduction money for the ballroom. Mr. Bryan said yes, because we are looking at this list and the ballroom is not on here but the ballroom factors into the use of this money.

Council discussed whether to hold off approving the entire list until we get the bid for the ballroom or picking out what is needed now and holding off on the rest of the list until the bids come in.

Mr. Pallo asked what the difference is whether we spend this money now or in December. Mr. Bryan said because we will have a better line of sight with regards to the ballroom in December once the bids come in.

Council agreed to disbursement of the following items:

Museum - \$8,000

Reimburse 2020 EMA Expenses for Covid - \$10,000

\$1,000 to hold a 2021 Police Cruiser

\$1,000 to hold Codes EMA Car

\$1,159.99 for the Public Works Equipment minus the zero-turn mower.

\$21,250 for bonus/premium pay for workers

These items will be approved at the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

**Budget  
Workshop**

Council reviewed the 2022 Sewer and Liquid Fuels Fund Budgets.

**Adjourn**

Special meeting was adjourned by Mr. Bryan Council President at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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