

CITY OF WILKES-BARRE
PENNSYLVANIA



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

JANUARY 7, 2019
5:30 P.M.

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. NOMINATION OF CHAIR
 - (A) ELECTION OF CHAIR
 - (B) ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE
 - (C) OATH OF OFFICE RECEIVED AND FILED
- V. NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIR
 - (A) ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR
 - (B) ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE
 - (C) OATH OF OFFICE RECEIVED AND FILED\
- VI. RESOLUTIONS
 - (A) ESTABLISHING THE 2019 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
 - (B) ESTABLISHING THE 2019 MEETING DATES FOR COUNCIL
- VII. REMARKS
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT

REORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 7, 2019

The City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre met for the purpose of Reorganization on January 7, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 40 East Market Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was organized with Chairperson Tony Brooks in the Chair.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

Roll Call:

Barrett	- present
Gilbert	- present
Merritt	- present
Belusko, Vice Chairperson	- present
Brooks, Chairperson	- present

Also present:

The Honorable Judge William Amesbury
Tony George, Mayor
Rick Gazenski, Administrator
Maureen Collins, Assistant City Attorney
Butch Frati, Director of Operations
Tim Henry, Deputy Administrator/City Attorney
Cathy Payne, Assistant City Clerk
Jim Ryan, City Clerk
Lisa Sanfilippo, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Brooks moved that **Mike Belusko** be nominated as **Chairperson of City Council**.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Barrett and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

Yeas Barrett, Gilbert, Merritt and Brooks – 4 – being a majority of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

Abstain – Belusko – 1.

The Honorable Judge Amesbury administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Belusko.

The Oath of Office was received and filed.

Mr. Belusko moved that **Bill Barrett** be nominated as **Vice Chairperson of City Council**.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Brooks and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

Yeas Gilbert, Merritt, Brooks and Belusko (Chairperson) – 4 – being a majority of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

Abstain – Barrett – 1.

The Honorable Judge Amesbury administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Barrett.

The Oath of Office was received and filed.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. R0001-19

That, City Hall and all Departments except for the mandatory services will be closed on the following holidays during the year 2019 as established by Union Agreement:

Monday	January	21, 2019	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday	February	18, 2019	President's Day
Monday	May	27, 2019	Memorial Day
Friday	June	14, 2019	Flag Day
Thursday	July	4, 2019	Independence Day
Monday	September	2, 2019	Labor Day
Monday	October	14, 2019	Columbus Day
Monday	November	11, 2019	Veterans Day
Thursday	November	28, 2019	Thanksgiving Day
Friday	November	29, 2019	Day After Thanksgiving
Wednesday	December	25, 2019	Christmas

Wednesday January 1, 2020 New Year's Day

Ms. Gilbert moved to adopt the Resolution.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Belusko and adopted by the following yeas and nays vote:

Yeas Brooks, Gilbert, Merritt, Barrett and Belusko (Chairperson) – 5 – being all of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

RESOLUTION NO. R0002-19

2019 WILKES-BARRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Reorganization Meeting, Monday, January 7, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

ALL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS AND REGULAR SESSIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS FOR THE YEAR 2019 AT 6:00 P.M., UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE, IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FOURTH FLOOR, CITY HALL.

WORK SESSION

- Tuesday, January 8, 2019
- Tuesday, January 22, 2019
- Tuesday, February 5, 2019
- Tuesday, February 19, 2019
- Tuesday, March 12, 2019
- Tuesday, March 26, 2019
- Tuesday, April 9, 2019
- Tuesday, May 7, 2019
- ***Combined Session (Work Session at 6:00 p.m. with Regular Session to follow)**
- Tuesday, June 11, 2019
- Tuesday, July 16, 2019
- Tuesday, August 13, 2019
- Tuesday, September 10, 2019
- Tuesday, October 8, 2019
- Tuesday, October 22, 2019
- Monday**, November 4, 2019
- Tuesday, November 19, 2019
- Tuesday, December 3, 2019
- Tuesday, December 17, 2019

REGULAR SESSION

- Thursday, January 10, 2019
- Thursday, January 24, 2019
- Thursday, February 7, 2019
- Thursday, February 21, 2019
- Thursday, March 14, 2019
- Thursday, March 28, 2019
- Thursday, April 11, 2019
- Thursday, May 9, 2019
- Monday**, May 20, 2019
- Thursday, June 13, 2019
- Thursday, July 18, 2019
- Thursday, August 15, 2019
- Thursday, September 12, 2019
- Thursday, October 10, 2019
- Thursday, October 24, 2019
- Thursday, November 7, 2019
- Tuesday, November 21, 2019
- Thursday, December 5, 2019
- Thursday, December 19, 2019

Further, the City Clerk is authorized to substitute dates of the meetings where they conflict with other scheduled events.

Further, the City Clerk is instructed to advertise these meetings.

Mr. Brooks moved to adopt the Resolution.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Merritt and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

Yeas Brooks, Gilbert, Merritt, Barrett and Belusko (Chairperson) – 5 – being all of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Barrett congratulated Mr. Belusko on his appointment and thanked Mr. Brooks for his service as Chairperson last year.

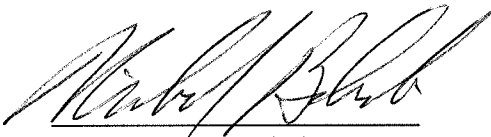
Mr. Barrett thanked the city employees for their service to the city.

Ms. Gilbert thanked Mr. Brooks for his leadership last year and congratulated Mr. Belusko and Mr. Barrett on their appointments.

Mr. Belusko thanked his family in attendance.

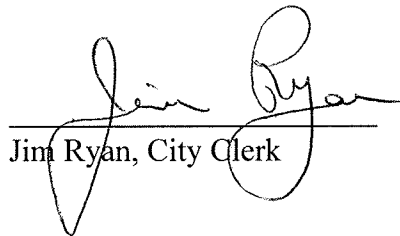
Mr. Belusko thanked his fellow Council members for their vote of confidence and asked for their help in 2019.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.



Mike Belusko, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Jim Ryan, City Clerk