

CITY OF WILKES-BARRE  
PENNSYLVANIA



# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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CITY COUNCIL

MAY 25, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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**CONSENT AGENDA (RESOLUTIONS)**

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign all necessary documents related to awarding the HVAC maintenance and emergency services contract to the two most qualified, responsible firms, PLD Associates and Troy Mechanical for a two (2) year agreement, with an option for a third year, Preventative Maintenance, Repair & On Call Emergency Service for the HVAC systems in City owned buildings. The contract will run from June 1, 2023 to June 1, 2025.

Authorizing the proper city officials to take all necessary actions related to selling 110-112 Prospect Street, Parcel 73-19NE1-010-015-000, 73-19NE1-010-015A-000, for the purchase price of \$1,900.00 to Cesar Rodriguez -Reyes.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign all necessary documents related to entering into a three (3) year contract with PenTelaData, Fiber Networks for \$24,948.00 for internet services for the city's operations at the Kirby Health Center. The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign all necessary documents related to entering a five (5) year contract with PenTelaData Fiber Networks for \$62,100.00 for internet services for City Hall and the Police Department. The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign all necessary documents related to entering into a contract with CDW-G for \$20,400.00 for computer network equipment. This purchase is being made through a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Cooperative Purchasing Program (i.e., COSTARS). The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

Authorizing the proper city officials to enter into an agreement, along with any or all other project documents, with Glick Fire Equipment Company, 350 Mill Creek Road, Bird in Hand, Pennsylvania for the purchase of a 2022 Ford F450 4 x 4 Braun Liberty Type I Ambulance in the amount of \$367,750. The purchase is being made through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Cooperative Purchasing Program ("COSTARS") for the Bureau of Fire (Contract No. 013-E22-242); the price includes a deduction for the trade-in amount of a Fire Department Ambulance, a 2016 Braun Ford F-450 EV-50340 (VIN #1FDUF4GT6GEC26298). The project will be funded pursuant to the Luzerne County American Rescue Grant Subrecipient Agreement.

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**CONSENT AGENDA (RESOLUTIONS)**

Designating Mayor George C. Brown and Controller Darren Snyder, as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant of \$500,000.00 along with any or all other project documents, related to the Mill Creek Brookside Levee System Rehabilitation Project, if the application is approved.

**MINUTES**

Of the Wilkes-Barre Planning Commission of April 19, 2023.

Of the Zoning Hearing Board of April 29, 2023.

Of the Regular Session of City Council of April 27, 2023.

Of the Regular Session of City Council of May 11, 2023.

**ORDINANCE**

**FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 3 OF 2023** – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE REPEALING ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “CONSUMER FIREWORKS” AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW ARTICLE V. (FIRST READING)



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CITY COUNCIL

May 25, 2023

The City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre met in Regular Session on May 25, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City Hall, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of general business.

The meeting was organized with Chairperson Mike Belusko in the Chair.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

Councilman Barrett read the opening prayer.

Roll Call:

Brooks	- present
Marconi	- present
McBride	- excused
Barrett, Vice Chairperson	- present
Belusko, Chairperson	- present

Also Present:

George C. Brown, Mayor  
Maureen Collins, Assistant, City Attorney  
Charles McCormick, City Administrator  
Cathy Payne, City Clerk  
Lisa Sanfilippo, Administrative Assistant  
Tracy Smith, Assistant City Clerk

City Clerk Cathy Payne read a statement relative to Council's Rules and Procedures.

The Chairperson asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Council on pending legislation.

Linda Joseph, Wilkes-Barre, appeared before Council relative to File of Council No. 3 of 2023 (Fireworks).

Tony Thomas, Wilkes-Barre, appeared before Council relative to File of Council No. 3 of 2023 (Fireworks).

## RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. R0033-23 to and including the minutes appeared on the Consent Agenda (Resolutions).

### **RESOLUTION NO. R0033-23**

Whereas, the City of Wilkes-Barre advertised for proposals on March 6, 2023, and March 8, 2023, for a two year (2) agreement, with an option for third year, for Preventative Maintenance, Repair & On Call Emergency Services for the HVAC systems in City Owned Buildings. The contract will run from June 1, 2023 – June 1, 2025, with the option to run until June 1, 2026.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to awarding the HVAC maintenance and emergency services contract to the two most qualified, responsible firms, PLD Associates & Troy Mechanical Inc.

### **RESOLUTION NO. R0034-23**

Authorizing the proper city officials to take any and all necessary actions related to selling 110-112 Prospect Street, Parcel 73-I9NE1-010-015-000, 73-I9NE1-010-015A-000, for the purchase price of \$1,900.00 to Cesar Rodriguez-Reyes.

### **RESOLUTION NO. R0035-23**

That, the proper city officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to entering into a three (3) year contract with PenTelaData Fiber Networks for \$24,948.00 for internet services for the city's operations at the Kirby Health Center. The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

### **RESOLUTION NO. R0036-23**

That, the proper city officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to entering into a five (5) year contract with PenTelaData Fiber Networks for \$62,100.00 for internet services for City Hall and the Police Department. The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

### **RESOLUTION NO. R0037-23**

That, the proper city officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to entering into a contract with CDW-G for \$20,400.00 for computer network equipment. This purchase is being made through a Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania Cooperative Purchasing Program (i.e. CONSTARS). The full amount of this contract is being funded through a Data Modernization Grant.

**RESOLUTION NO. R0038-23**

Whereas, the City of Wilkes-Barre wishes to purchase a 2022 Ford F450 4x4 Braun Liberty Type 1 Ambulance through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Cooperative Purchasing Program ("COSTARS") for the Bureau of Fire (Contract No. 013-E22-242);

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, along with any or all other project documents, with Glick Fire Equipment Company, 350 Mill Creek Road, Bird in Hand, Pennsylvania for the purchase of a 2022 Ford F450 4x4 Braun Liberty Type 1 Ambulance in the amount of \$367,750.00.

The price includes a deduction for the trade-in amount of a Fire Department Ambulance, a 2016 Braun Ford F-450 EV-50340 (VIN#1FDUF4GT6GEC26298).

The project will be funded pursuant to the Luzerne County American Rescue Plan grant subrecipient agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. R0039-23**

Be It Resolved, that the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County hereby requests a Flood Mitigation Program grant of \$500,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Mill Creek Brookside Levee System Rehabilitation project.

Be it Further Resolved, that the Applicant does hereby designate George C. Brown, Mayor and Darren Snyder, City Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to the Mill Creek Brookside Levee System Rehabilitation project, if the application is approved.

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Mr. Brooks moved to adopt the Consent Agenda (Resolutions).

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

Yeas Brooks, Marconi, Barrett, and Belusko (Chairperson) - 4 - being a majority of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

Absent - McBride - 1.

### **ORDINANCE**

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Mr. Belusko moved to adopt the Ordinance.

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

Yeas Brooks, Marconi, Barrett, and Belusko (Chairperson) - 4 - being a majority of the members elected to City Council.

Nays none.

Absent - McBride - 1.

### **PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Mr. Barrett reminded everyone of the Memorial Day Parade in Parsons on Monday at 10:00 a.m.

### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Robert Endler, Wilkes-Barre, PA appeared before Council relative to a parking problem on South Sheridan Street (cars blocking his driveway) and making it a one-way street.

Mr. McCormick said he will follow up with the administrative part (policing and parking enforcement) but making it a one-way street would need to go before the Traffic Committee. They will require a petition to be filed before they make a recommendation. Once they make the recommendation to Council an Ordinance will need to be passed.



Mr. McCormick added that Mr. Endler was told by the Traffic Committee that they would analyze the situation and get Parking Enforcement and the Police involved. They also advised Mr. Endler about the petition he will need to change the street to a one-way.

Gregory Raup, Wilkes-Barre, PA appeared before Council relative to the fire hydrants on Gardner Avenue not working during a recent fire.

Mr. Belusko said he brought it up with Chief Delaney at the Work Session.

Mr. Marconi informed Mr. Raup that within two days of the fire the old hydrants were replaced with two new ones.

Angel Mathis, Wilkes-Barre, PA appeared before Council relative to recycling not being picked up, Istanbul Grille (outdoor seating blocking the sidewalk) and a community calendar.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.



Mike Belusko, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Cathy Payne, City Clerk

