



**CITY OF WASHINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
July 1, 2021 7 P.M.**



**Scott J. Putnam,  
Mayor**

**City Council**  
*Joe Manning, Councilman  
Ken Westcott, Councilman  
Matt Staniszewski, MBA, EDFF,  
Councilman  
Joe Pintola, Councilman*

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilman Matt Staniszewski	- ABSENT
Councilman Joe Pintola	- PRESENT
Councilman Ken Westcott	- ABSENT
Councilman Joe Manning	- PRESENT
Mayor Scott Putnam	- PRESENT

**SOLICITOR:**

Jack Cambest PRESENT

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:** In Honor of our Military for fighting for our freedom

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to accept the June 10, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Individuals or group representatives who have signed in prior to the meeting, will have 5 minutes of microphone time to address Council during the public participation portion of the meeting. We prefer if there is a group, a representative be chosen to speak. Audience comments will not be permitted following the public participation portion of the meeting; therefore, we ask that you please review the agenda for any item(s) you may wish to discuss. We have, in the past, had individual's direct comments to Mayor and Council that were not correct or could not be documented. For that reason, we ask that your information be to the point and factual. Although we may not be able to answer your question at this meeting, we will refer your request or recommendation to the proper department for any necessary action.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Fern Sibert-486 Addison Avenue:** Thanked Council for having Clean Up Week this coming weekend.

**Nancy Herman-22 S College Street:** Complaints about her landlord. Admitted that she owes him a significant amount of rent but asked that Code Enforcement have him make repairs at her apartment.

**Georgianna Farkas-** Commented on what she stated was lack of follow through by Council regarding the reopening of the swimming pool. Recommended that when the pool does reopen that trees are planted to provide shade. Commended Fern Sibert for all the clean up she does in the City.

**Dave Blose:** Asked that the City speak with South Strabane Township regarding North Main Street/Lewis Alley. Stated that nothing has been done by Thomas Campbell Apartments.

**Rob Phillips-715 N Main Street:** Complaints about County Hauling not picking up all of his trash. He has a large family and they produce a lot of trash and County Hauling refuses to pick up everything.

**PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED:**

**Motion** was made by Councilman Pintola, seconded by Councilman Manning, and carried unanimously to approve the following payments:

a. Premier Fire Rescue \$44,064.33 for Turn Out Gear Invoice #35002738. **CHARGE:**  
77.00/411-700

b. Washington Business District in the amount of \$463.74 for 2021 Assessment.

**CHARGE:** 01.60/400-430

- c. Harshman CE Group LLC in the amount of \$170.00 for Invoice #6. **CHARGE:**  
53.00/436-313
- d. Harshman CE Group LLC in the amount of \$1,105.00 for Invoice #2. **CHARGE:**  
53.00/436-313
- e. Harshman CE Group LLC in the amount of \$34.00 for Invoice # 4. **CHARGE:**  
53.00/436-313
- f. Harshman CE Group LLC in the amount of \$85.00 for Invoice #2. **CHARGE:**  
53.00/436-313
- g. CPS Statements INC. in the amount of \$1,032.51 for City Tax Notice Printing and  
Processing. **CHARGE:** 01.24/403-210
- h. CPS Statements INC. in the amount of \$1,893.51 for City Tax Notice Postage.  
**CHARGE:** 01.24/403-325
- i. Dodaro, Matta and Cambest in the amount of \$2,256.50 for Invoice 10469.  
**CHARGE:** 01.13/404-310
- j. Jeff Cox in the amount of \$11,200.00 for 573 East Maiden Street Fire Escrow.  
**CHARGE:** 47/389-830
- k. Washington East Washington Joint Authority in the amount of \$2,125.00 for Invoice  
15626. **CHARGE:** 01.34/413-240
- l. Schultz Electric Inc. in the amount of \$3,849.19 for Community Pavilion lights.  
**CHARGE:** 01.53/454-211
- m. George R. Smalley Co. Inc. in the amount of \$1,698.00 for repair light pole beside the  
pool. **CHARGE:** 52.00/489-000
- n. County Hauling in the amount of \$167,156.10 for April-June 2021 Solid Waste  
Contract. **CHARGE:** 01.25/427-453
- o. County Hauling in the amount of \$35,058.35 for April-June 2021 Recycling Contract.  
**CHARGE:** 01.25/426-456
- p. Brown Timber in the amount of 550.00 for tree removal at Stone Pavilion.  
**CHARGE:** 01.53/454-240 Miscellaneous Operating Expenses
- q. Kulak-George in the amount of \$356.81 for Main Pavilion Deck/Stair Restoration.  
**CHARGE:** 52.00/489-000
- r. Skelly & Loy in the amount of \$4,881.65 for Year One MS4 Permit Compliance.  
**CHARGE:** 53.00/436-313
- s. Skelly & Loy in the amount of \$157.50 for A/L Growing Greener DEP. **CHARGE:**  
53.00/436-313

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve the following transfers:

- a.     \$5,000.00 from line item 01.53/454-161 Salary/maintenance emp. to line item  
01.53/454-171 Salary/Maintenance Worker 2.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to remove Patrolman Zachariah Davis from Military Deployment Status effective June 16, 2021.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve the Retirement of John M. Alberta from the Public Works Department effective August 2, 2021, to amend the salary ordinance and pay all monies due.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve a contribution in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the Bradford Historical Association for the 2021 Whiskey Rebellion. **CHARGE:** 01.55/459-541

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to renew property and liability insurance coverage with Travelers Insurance at an annual premium of \$206,133.00.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to amend the 2021 salary ordinance and budget to create the position of "Park - Maintenance Worker 2" at an hourly rate of \$18.00 per/hour and to appoint Shawn Vaughn to that position effective 7/1/21.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve amending the cost of the Fire Department Fire Truck from \$633,195.00 to \$644,390.00. (The additional \$11,195.00 will be funded from CBDG funds.)

#### **ORDINANCES:**

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 1952 BILL NO 4 of 2021**

**AMEND AND EXTEND THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCAL TAX ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION TAX ASSISTANCE ACT OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RETROACTIVE TO AUGUST 8, 2020, AND EXTENDED TO AUGUST 8, 2025.**

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve **RESOLUTION 8 of 2021** for World Series Tournaments Inc. to erect banners at the following locations advertising for the Dick's Sporting Goods Pony World Series August 13 - 18 2021:

- **W Chestnut St in front of old Adams Pine Creek Restaurant (Rte 40)**
- **Intersection of Murtland Avenue and Ridge between Washington Christian Outreach and Family Dollar St. (Route 19)**
- **E Maiden Street in front of Just Us Kids Daycare Center (Route 40)**
- **E Maiden Street in front of Restore Renovation Station Habitat for Humanity**

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve **RESOLUTION 9 of 2021** for Skyward Aviation to erect a banner to advertise Flight Fest 2021 at the Washington County Airport at one of the following two locations (dependent upon PennDot approval) August 1 – 16:

- **North Main Street and West Chestnut Street**
- **West Chestnut Street and Jefferson Avenue**

**Councilman Matt Staniszewski** – ABSENT

**Councilman Joe Pintola**- NO REPORT

**Councilman Ken Westcott** – ABSENT

**Councilman Joe Manning** – Stated that the City has received the ACT 13 payment. Advised that the City has applied for the American Rescue Plan Act money and expects to receive over \$1,000,000. He stressed that this money can only be used for specific spending.

Councilman Manning thanked the Dreamers for everything they did last week and in the past for the City. Stated that they put an extraordinary amount of work into the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Playground.

**Mayor Scott Putnam** – Stated that the District Attorney and Police Department are working on a Grant that would provide Body Cameras for the Police Department.

Discussed the Redevelopment Home Rehab program. They only have two more City Properties on their list and are accepting applications now.

**Solicitor Jack Cambest** – NO REPORT

The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting will be held on Thursday August 5, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers. The July Agenda Meeting will be held on Monday, August 2, 2021, at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Citywide Summer Clean Up will be this Saturday July 3, 2021, from 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Fireworks at the Washington Park will be tomorrow Friday, July 2, 2021, at dusk.

The Whiskey Rebellion will be held Saturday July 10, 2021, from 11:00 A.M. – 10:00 P.M.

First Friday at the Community Pavilion will be held on Friday, August 6, 2021, 5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The Pony League World Series will be held August 13-18, 2021, at the Lew Hays Pony Field.

The Washington County Agricultural Fair will be held August 14-21, 2021.

Flight Fest 2021 will be held at the Washington County Airport on August 14 from 12:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M.

**Motion** was made by Councilman Manning, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

**BY:**



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**Scott J. Putnam, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**



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**Michelle R. Sperl, City Clerk**