

CITY OF WASHINGTON REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL Thursday JULY 10, 2025 6:00 P.M.



JoJo Burgess, Mayor

City Council

Ken Westcott, Councilman Joe Pintola, Councilman Andrew Callan, Councilman Joseph De Thomas, Councilman

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Joseph DeThomas Councilman Andrew Callan Councilman Joe Pintola Councilman Ken Westcott Mayor JoJo Burgess

Solicitor: Jack Cambest

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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 individuals' direct comments to the 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 PARTICIPATION CLOSED

Civil Service Chairman to present the Fire Department List of 3 to Mayor and City Council.

- 1. **Motion** to hire ______, as a probationary firefighter from the Fire Department List of 3, effective July 11, 2025, and amend the salary resolution, pending all pre-employment screening.
- 2. **Motion** to hire ______, as a probationary firefighter from the Fire Department List of 3, effective July 11, 2025, and amend the salary resolution, pending all pre-employment screening.
- 3. **Motion** to approve the June 5, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- 4. **Motion** to approve Payments (A.-Q) in the amount of \$177,592.66.

- 5. **Motion** to approve refund (A.-C.) in the amount of \$2,735.62.
- 6. **Motion** to approve the Cell Tower Agreement between the City of Washington and Washington County.
- 7. **Motion** to approve the copier lease agreement with Hughes Office Equipment for the City Clerk's Office and City Hall 2nd Floor in the amount of \$169.70 per month.
- 8. **Motion** to approve the rental quote from United Rentals for a submersible pump in the amount of \$3,325.70 and pay subsequent payment. **CHARGE:** 01.42/430-210
- 9. **Motion** to approve the purchase of a Submersible Pump from Rice Electric in the amount of \$7,629.00 and subsequent payment. **CHARGE:** 01.42/430-210
- 10. **Motion** to approve the agreement with Robinson Pipe Cleaning for an industrial jet/vac cleaning tuck with operator and laborer to clean up storm sewer tank on Washington Street and subsequent payment. **CHARGE:** 01.42/430-210
- 11. **Motion** to approve the estimate from McKean Plumbing in the amount of \$4,750.00 to install a Submersible Pump, and subsequent payment. **CHARGE:** 01.42/430-210
- 12. **Motion** to approve the purchase of a JCB 417 Wheel Loader in the amount of \$85,000.00 from SEI Stephenson Equipment, and subsequent payment. **CHARGE:** 46.00/430-740
- 13. **Motion** to begin processing of updating City Hall's fire safety system.
- 14. **Motion** to advertise for a full-time Parking Office Maintenance/Meter Repair Employee.
- 15. **Motion** to hire Jennifer Winters as the Police Department Data Entry/Clerk, effective Monday, July 21, 2025, pending all pre-employment screening, and amend the salary resolution.
- 16. **Motion** to suspend Badge No. 071 from the City of Washington Police Department for 15 days and demote back to rank of Patrolman.
- 17. **Motion** to suspend Badge No. 088 from the City of Washington Police Department for 1 day.

ORDINANCE

18. Motion to approve the FINAL READING of ORDINANCE 1982 BILL NO. 5 OF 2025

TO TAKE FORMAL ACTION CONSTITUTING A DEBT ORDINANCE

UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT DEBT ACT.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 19. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 14 of 2025** for the Primo Italiano Lodge 280 Italian Heritage Festival to be displayed August 14, 2025 September 29, 2025.
- 20. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 15 of 2025** to add 1 handicap parking space at 267 N Franklin Street, add 1 handicap parking space at 749 Broad Street and remove 1 handicap parking space at 765 Broad Street.
- 21. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 16 of 2025** to amend the City of Washington 2025 Fee Schedule to increase the Zoning Hearing Board Fee and the Planning Commission Hearing Fee to \$1,000.00 and require an additional \$2,500.00 to be placed in escrow to pay fees associated with the respective hearing costs, effective July 10, 2025.
- 22. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 17 of 2025** to appoint City Administrator, Rich Cleveland, as the Pennsylvania Legislative League Liaison.
- 23. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 18 of 2025** for the W&J Back to School & PARENT WEEKEND Banners.
- 24. **Motion** to approve **RESOLUTION 19 of 2025** to place No Parking signs from Murtland Avenue to Wilson Avenue.

DISCUSSION:

Councilman Joseph DeThomas –

Councilman Andrew Callan-

Councilman Joe Pintola -

Councilman Ken Westcott -

Mayor JoJo Burgess-

The next Council Agenda Meeting will be held on Monday, August 4, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, August 7, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

EVENTS:

Farmers Market Thursdays 3 PM until 6 PM

Whiskey Rebellion: July 11th and 12th 2025

Z Coffee Ribbon Cutting July 18, 2025 12:00 P.M.

Wash Arts-Fest July 26, 2025

Pony World Series August 8-13, 2025

Washington County Fair August 9-16, 2025

43rd Labor Day 5K Monday, September 1, 2025

7th Ward Fall Festival Thursday, October 9, 2025 (4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.)

Motion to adjourn.