

**WEST MIDDLESEX BOROUGH  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2020  
5:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Present:** President Cyndi Gilkey, Robert Lark, Ron Preston and Mayor Debra Larouche. Eric Lucich arrived after 5:05 p.m. due to his work schedule. Maleia James was absent.

**Others Present:** Police Chief Jason Newton, Herald Reporter Mike Roknick, District Resource Officer Josh Natale and Ray Lucich.

Ms. Gilkey asked if someone from the Negotiations Committee speak. Mr. Preston said it was a lengthy process but they have finally come to an Agreement which is a five (5%) percent increase the first year, four and one half (4 ½%) percent the second year, four (4%) percent the third year and three and one half (3 ½%) percent the fourth and fifth years. Mr. Preston stated total costs for the five years is \$35,173.03. Mr. Lark said there is a \$1,000.00 Officer Wellness fund. Mr. Preston said the Borough and the Township also agreed to contribute \$1,000.00 annually for the first week of each year to be deposited for the Officer Wellness Fund. Mr. Preston would like to make the motion that the Borough of West Middlesex enter into a five (5) year Agreement with the Shenango Township Supervisors for their Police Department to provide Police Services to the Borough of West Middlesex, Mr. Lark seconded. Ms. Gilkey asked if that were under the terms that he just outlined. Mr. Preston said yes, those are the terms. Ms. Gilkey stated that Mr. Preston made the motion and seconded by Mr. Lark. Ms. Gilkey said despite there only being three Council Members in attendance at the time, she asked for a Roll Call Vote. Mr. Preston-yes, Ms. Gilkey-yes and Mr. Lark-yes. Ms. Gilkey stated that the Police Contract passed. Ms. Gilkey said that is the only thing they have advertised for and therefore the only business that they can conduct tonight.

**Adjournment at 5:05 p.m.:** Mr. Lark made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Preston with all in favor. Mr. Lucich arrived afterwards.