

**West Middlesex Borough  
Work Session Meeting  
July 9, 2025  
6:30 pm**

**Call to Order:** The West Middlesex Borough Work Session meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by the Borough Council Vice President Mr. Robert Lark.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Present:** Vice President Mr. Robert Lark conducted the meeting, Mr. Robert Rankin, Mr. Dennis Bollinger, Mayor Stacey Curry. Mr. Bill Novak arrived late. Absent: President Mr. Tim Webster

**Others Present:** Secretary/Treasurer: Paula Luca, Streets Department Senior Laborer: Mr. Willaim Schwartz, Mr. Ray Lucich, Mr. Seth Anthony

**Public Comments:** None

**Street Department Report:** Senior Laborer Bill Schwartz read the Street Department report. The internet is all hooked up at the North Street Pump Station. The Tree at WM Estates has been removed. Maps were made for all Council members for Garfield Street, and also Chestnut Street Storm Sewers. When the lines were looked at with the camera it was discovered that there is an old brick man hole in the center of Garfield Street. Bill said he feels it is acting like a septic tank. Bill reported the ditch on Rt 18 near Chestnut Street needs dug out. The Council will reach out to PennDOT. Eric Davis is coming to hook up what is needed so Trends and Totals can be recorded again. Mr. Bollinger added, if we are going to dig out the ditch at Chestnut, we should consider digging out the ditch at the resident near the School/Bus Garage. Garfield Street was discussed: the ditch to the river needs dug out. We have received a bid from Martuccio/Schwartz, to dig it out: \$5670.00, this does not include the pipe. The Borough will need to purchase the pipe to be installed if that bid is accepted. It was suggested to just dig it out and open it up first to see if that elevates the problem. Seth will also submit a cost to just open it up.

**LSWM Pool Update:** Mayor Stacey Curry updated all: The pool is doing better then it has done in the past. The sales are up. Attendance is up. At the Shenango Twp. Supervisor Meeting last November, the Supervisors voted to leave the pool, but that they will wait to see how the sales and profits are this year. The Borough received a letter from Shenango Twp. It is a formal notification that they are leaving the Pool. They had decided not to wait to see how this year totals are. Stacey is reaching out to the County Commissioners to update all on the situation. Mr. Lark read a report on attendance. Stacey updated everyone that there is still a small leak that may have been missed. Mr. Seth Anthony said that he will scope the pool to view if any leaks, once drained at No Charge to the Pool Committee.

**WM Estates:** The tree has been removed; the stump is still there. The check has been sent for the wet well, but it has not cleared as of yet. We will follow up to confirm they have received the payment. A letter was emailed and mailed to the owners of WM Estates, explaining that the lines that go from the trailers to the wet well were the owners responsible. It was explained to him that the lines will all need to be inspected before the wet well is installed. Mr. Bollinger suggest that once installed, it will not be hooked up until the lines are inspected. It was suggested that the sewer billing be changed and based on water usage and not a flat rate.

**Zoning Ordinance:** The public hearing is scheduled to be held on Tuesday July 15<sup>th</sup> to be held before the July Council Meeting.

**Zoning Variance Hearing:** Mr. Lark updated all that a zoning variance hearing is scheduled for Monday July 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. for T Bruce Campbells.

**Sewer Authority Arbitration:** Mr. Lark updated all on the Sewer Authority Arbitration.

**Scrap at Pump House:** Bill will put together an inventory of the scrap and contacted Mr. Hoffman. He may not still be interested; we have not heard back from him. Paula will contact Mr. Hoffman. Bill stated he can start scrapping the items.

**Property Maintenance: Non-Compliance Update:** A report was received from Richardson inspection concerning the property on Main Street. A copy was also sent to the property owners. Mr. Richardson will be attending the Council Meeting on Tuesday and can answer any questions Council may have for both this property and also Penn Ave.

**Invoice from Bruce and Merrilees:** This item will be added to the Council Meeting for a vote on paying the invoice. We do have the incident report, and Council will decide if this should be submitted to the Insurance Company.

**Mercer County Regional Planning Grant Program:** This item will be added to the Agenda for Council Vote to submit Grant Proposal.

**Adjournment**