

## Town of Williamsport Mayor & Town Council Regular Session Meeting Minutes – July 8, 2024

On July 8, 2024, the Mayor & Town Council for the Town of Williamsport held a Regular Session. Those members of the elected body who were present included Mayor William Green, Assistant Mayor Dennis Grove, Councilman Charles Brown, Councilman Earle Pereschuk, and Councilman Ben Tinsley. Councilman Jim Braswell and Councilperson Margaret Yaukey were absent. Town employees in attendance were Chad Rooney, Town Manager, and Ed Kuczynski, Town Attorney.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 4:00pm and asked for a moment of silence and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Green asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 3, 2024, Work Session. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Assistant Mayor Grove seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Green asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 10, 2024, Public Hearing regarding the Charter Amendment. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Councilman Tinsley seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Green asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 10, 2024, Regular Session. Councilman Tinsley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Assistant Mayor Grove seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Green noted Will Ball was on the agenda, but had not yet arrived. Mayor green explained if he does make it to the meeting, he will be allowed to present at that time.

Mayor Green the requested reports: Board of Election Supervisors, Board of Zoning Appeals, History & Museum Board, Planning Commission, Land Use, Legal Counsel, and Sheriff's Office had no report.

Councilman Pereschuk presenting information about the community pool noting all has been operating well. He explained the summer program for Washington County has been using Pavilion 3 for the summer and recent graffiti and individuals sleeping in the pavilion was reported by the camp was addressed by administrative employees quickly.

Councilman Brown reported the fireworks display was well attended and the company did a great job with the display and Canal Days is coming up at the end of August.

Assistant Mayor Grove outlined various improvements to the Springfield Barn including wood replacement on the barn and corn crib.

Councilman Tinsley expressed his concerns about the financial status of the community pool. He outlined the pool has operated at a loss for three years totalling nearly \$110,000. He continued to

explain that when walking through the parking lot, there are more out of state license plates than in state and he explained the pool is a town funded amenity and should be primarily dedicated to their use. He also outlined a decline in the number of reservations at the Springfield Barn. His primary question was why these amenities should operate at a loss. Several members of the dais explained this is typical of community pools, but ideas could be explored to minimize the impact on the town's budget. Mayor Green explained the lower number of reservations will be explored, but there has been a turnaround in employees overseeing the reservations and showings at the barn.

Mayor Green explained there is no Old Business nor New Business.

Mayor Green asked Senator Mike McKay if he would like the floor. Senator McKay presented a free copy of his take-aways from the most recent legislative session. He outlined his achievements and several areas of concern. Senator McKay explained he is always available if anyone has any questions or concerns.

Councilman Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Pereschuk seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 5:02pm.

Respectfully Tendered,

Chad P. Rooney Town Manager