

**Connellsville City Council**  
**MINUTES**  
**JULY 16, 2019**

This regular meeting of the Connellsville City Council was held this evening at 6:00 PM at City Hall, Connellsville, PA. Attending this meeting was Mayor Lincoln, Council members Keedy, Karpiak, Tzan and Topper. Also attending was City Clerk Ohler and Solicitor Witt.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Pastor Higbee led invocation

**REMARKS FROM VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:** Presented by Treasurer Weaver

**CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT:** Presented by City Controller Witt

Mayor Lincoln questioned Controller Witt concerning his vehicle break in.

Witt stated he dialed 911 and the Connellsville Police took care of it. He added 10 others were broken into around Race Street.

Mayor Lincoln stated residents are complaining but not calling 911 when it happens...therefore, what exactly do they want the City to do when the City is not aware of it. He instructed citizens to dial 911 right away and report it so the Police Department will be aware of it. Mayor Lincoln thanked Controller Witt for reporting it.

Chief Hammerle announced the two individuals are in the Police Station right now having charges brought against them.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**Resolution No. 7-1-2019:** "To approve the minutes from the June 18, 2019 City Council Meeting."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper, Tzan, Karpiak and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 7-2-2019:** "To approve the minutes from the June 25, 2019 City Council Meeting."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper, Tzan, Karpiak and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 7-3-2019:** "To waive the Four-Day Resolution Rule to allow for items submitted after the Four-Day Rule to be read at the meeting tonight, such Resolutions will be marked with an asterisk."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper, Tzan, Karpiak and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**MAYOR LINCOLN:**

Police Department Report

Chief Hammerle announced he would like to see more residents with Home Security Cameras put in place. He added this will greatly assist the Police Department to identify individuals. He also stated if you are missing items, please stop in the Police Station and see if it is there. Hammerle added there are many items that need identified.

Proclamation, Atkin's Music Store, 50 Years.

Mayor Lincoln stated he and his Assistant Mayors will be reading the Proclamation at Atkins Music Store this Saturday at 10 AM. He announced the public is invited to attend. Mayor Lincoln thanked Denise Friel for carrying on the business in the City.

**Resolution No. 7-4-2019:** "To adopt Bill No.1 of 2019, Ordinance No. 1539: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, TO ENTER AN AUTOMOBILE THEFT/MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE FRAUD INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE AND the BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FAYETTE COUNTY BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION ACT."

Solicitor Witt explained the Supreme Court passed law requiring all Municipal Police Officers that are acting in other municipal territories, to be approved by ordinance. He added this ordinance covers the City of Connellsville in respect to both of these categories.

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**REMINDERS:**

Recycling: Wards 2 & 4 are on Tuesday, Wards 1 & 3 are on Wednesday  
Collection dates: July 30th & 31st, August 13th & 14th, 27th & 28th

Community Center is host to the Summer Lunch Program provided by the school district,  
11:30 AM - 1 PM, Monday through Friday

Lions Square Summer Concert, The Abilene Band will play July 21st

July 20th, Assistant Mayors for the day: Mayor Lape and Mayor McPoyle

July 20th, Adopt a Block Party at Yough River Park

August 3rd is New Haven Hose Hoagie Sales

August 10th is Police Auxiliary Hoagie Sales

August 8th, Savor the Avenue, 5:30 PM

PE In the Park is August 5th - 8th and August 12th - 15th

August 31st, Battle of the Wings, Contact the Chamber of Commerce for tickets, \$20

**KEEDY:**

**KARPIAK:**

Public Works Report

**Resolution No. 7-5-2019:** “To enter into an Agreement with the PA Department of Transportation for the Winter Traffic Services “Municipal Snow” Agreement for the Fiscal Years 2019 thru 2024.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper, Tzan, Karpiak and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Mayor Lincoln questioned Kari Bell from Widmer Engineering as to the timeline the City paving will begin.

Mr. Bell answered mid-August.

Mayor Lincoln thanked Councilman Karpiak and City Clerk Ohler for working hard to save money.

Councilman Karpiak thanked Connellsville Township, Springfield, Bullsken and South Connellsville. He noted the municipalities help each other. Councilman Karpiak stated the City has a tar buggy now.

**TZAN:**

Councilwoman Tzan stated you can signup for PE in the park the first two weeks in August. She noted there will be an adult kickball day which will soon be finalized and on the Recreation Board’s Facebook Page. She also stated Wellness on the Yough will be September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**TOPPER, Jr.:**

Health/Code Officer Report

New Haven Hose Report

**Resolution No. 7-6-2019:** “That this meeting of City Council does hereby adjourn.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper, Tzan, Karpiak and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.