

New Wilmington Borough Council Minutes

May 5, 2025 Meeting

President John Geidner called the meeting of Council to order in the Council Chambers at 6:30pm.

President Geidner led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Members Present: President Geidner, Lee Ann Miller, David Hunter, Cherry Poteet, Ken Hilke, Kiersten Reiber and Janet Robb.

Other borough representatives present: Mayor Sherie Babb, Tracy O'Neill – Administrator, Brad Latimer – Superintendent and Attorney Frank Verterano. Stanton Fleming representing New Wilmington Municipal Authority
Mayor Sherie Babb

Approval of Minutes: Cherry Poteet made a motion to approve the April 7, 2025, meeting minutes. Ken Hilke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Bills: Ken Hilke made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented. Dave Hunter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Todd Cole - Rotary – Todd Cole expressed his appreciation to Council for hosting Peace Day at the park and for installing the peace pole.

Mary James – Garden Club – Mary James reported that the Garden Club assists with planting flowers, while the Borough handles the watering. She requested permission to install a seasonal sign recognizing the club's efforts. In addition, there is interest in updating the war memorial located at the fire department. Plans include fall plantings and the removal of old or dead vegetation. A request was made for the Borough to assist with removing the existing shrubs. The Boy Scouts have agreed to adopt and maintain the flags at the memorial moving forward.

Ken Hilke made a motion to approve the installation of a seasonal sign stating that the area is Planned, Planted and Cared for by the Garden Club.

Beth Verterano – Lawrence County Boroughs Association – New Beaver Borough recently hosted a meeting for the Lawrence County Boroughs Association. These meetings can only continue if at least five boroughs participate. Beth encouraged NWB to consider attending future meetings.

Sanitation/Water: Cherry Poteet made a motion to accept the May 2025 Water Terminations. Ken Hilke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Utilities: Ken Hilke made a motion to accept the May 2025 Electric Terminations. Cherry Poteet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ken Hilke made a motion to list the 2000 GMC bucket truck for sale on Municibid, following the recommendation of Superintendent Brad Latimer. Dave Hunter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting recessed for executive session 7:14pm

Executive Session: Personnel Part Time Staffing

Meeting resumed at 7:48pm

Personnel: Dave Hunter made a motion to approve the hiring of a part-time employee for the borough office three days a week at eight hours per day, focusing on organization and electronic filing, at a rate of \$15 per hour. Ken Hilke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: Ken Hilke made a motion to adjourn. Kiersten Reiber seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm