WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES – October 20th, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Campbell called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on October 20, 2026, at 4:30 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA. Present were Vice-Mayor Dillen Councilperson Malena, Councilman Leehan, Councilman Vanco, Manager Willow, Zoning Officer Chambers. Guests were Jeremiah Covert and Boro Council Representative Jane Crawford.

AGENDA APPROVAL: It was voted on a motion by Dillen, second by Leehan, to approve the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC HEARING: 2026 FY CDBG program summary and discussion of the township's community development and housing needs which could potentially be addressed with CDBG monies. 2nd of 2 meetings. **It was voted** on a motion by Leehan, seconded by Vanco to approve the CDBG resolution. **Motion carried unanimously.**

COUNCIL MINUTES: It was voted on a motion by Vanco, second by Dillen to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 6th, 2026. **Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #22827-22855, Developers Fund #1196, Sewer Fund #9409-9418, Water Fund #6883-6889. **It was voted** on a motion by Malena, second by Leehan to approve all the checks and payroll as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Manager Willow gave a written report.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Chambers presented a DRAFT SPEED STUDY REPORT for roads that had speed limit signs but no accompanying speed study waiting on feedback from Steve Halmi, Andy Schmidt and PennDOT.

ENGINEER REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY: No meeting.

EDINBORO LIASON: Verbal Report.

ENGINE HOUSE 39: Verbal report.

WATERSHED ASSOCIATION: No meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **It was voted** on a motion by Dillen, seconded by Leehan to purchase a new Barmesa grinder pump for Florek Road- $6,515; **Motion carried unanimously.**
B. **It was voted** on a motion by Malena, seconded by Vanco to approve the service invoice for work performed at Angling Road, by Aaron Iaquinta, for 5-hrs urgent engineering services, $1,305. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **It was voted** on a motion by Dillen, seconded by Leehan to approve the LSA Grant application for new sewer truck ($63,062) pending award October 2027. **Motion carried unanimously.**
B. **It was voted** on a motion by Vanco, seconded by Leehan, to approve the $3,900 quote to rebuild both Florek Rd pump station check valves. **Motion carried unanimously.**

REQUEST FROM VISITORS: Jason Dahle, EVFD, presented 2026 emergency response statistics and began a discussion about the need to address staff funding issues. No action required. Jane Crawford provided an update on Boro Council activities.

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Continued:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 6:00 Malena motioned, seconded by Leehan to enter executive session to discuss the approval of new Sewer Operator, Jeremiah Covert, October 26 start date. Benefits begin December 1st, with vacation benefit beginning January 1st 2027. At 6:04 a motion by Dillen, seconded by Campbell to return to regular session.

It was voted on a motion by Dillen, seconded by Campbell to affirm the hiring of Jeremia Covert.
Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: It was voted on a motion by Leehan, second by Vanco adjourn at 6:08 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously.