

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW
WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 14, 2013

Minutes of the advertised Special Workshop Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Thursday, March 14, 2013 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order following a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the Flag by President Barry G. Schell at 6:00 p.m. President Schell turned the workshop over to Mayor Henry, who explained the Workshop was being held to detail the Center Avenue Green Infrastructure Project to Residents. The Mayor, along with Bob Zischkau and Ms. Bruno from West View Water, had dedicated many hours into the planning of this project. Mr. Zischkau passed handouts to Council and to the Audience and addressed the Project, which will affect the area in the 300 block of Center Avenue, between Norwich and Brightwood. Mr. Zischkau had a detailed board, visually showing the Project. Mr. Zischkau explained the demonstration Project, which is to be used as a test area and an educational area which conforms to the Consent Orders regarding our sewer structure. The purpose of the Project is to contain and reduce flows into the sewer system and to reduce costs, in accordance with the Alcosan Wet Weather Plan. Alcosan picked the site and secured funding through US EPA for 55% and Alcosan Stag funding for 20%. The estimated cost of the Project is \$550,000 and, due to funding, the Borough's local share will be \$12,500.

The contractor is URS from Ohio and has been contracted by Alcosan, with the Borough Public Works Dept. to maintain. Mr. Zischkau said the Project has 5 components: 1) relocation of the water line 2) erection of stone wall/elevation change/retention basin (all parking stalls will still be available) 3) 2 rain gardens with trees, brush, grass, shrubs and perennials, designed to stay green 4) vegetative swale (dense vegetation to help particulate pollutants) with 1,500 sq. ft. of porous brick pavers, which will allow water to enter through the area between the pavers, flowing the overflow water through the 5) under drain. Signage will be erected so people can read all about the Project, as the Project is intended to educate.

Mr. Zischkau said the Plans have been reviewed and approved by Alcosan, the Borough and the Water Authority and are now at PA DEP for review. Upon approval, advertising and bidding process will take place and, with Council's approval hopefully in April, construction should begin by May and be finished by July.

Questions from the residents included who decided on the location of the Project, were garbage cans going to be at the location for trash, would this raise Alcosan bills for residents, who is going to watch the pond, was this going to attract mosquitoes, would this help with flood control, who will maintain the area (snow & sweeping), and was the Federal Government going to print paper money to pay for the funding since the Government is broke. The Mayor said the demonstration Project is designed to reduce peak flows and to keep all parking spaces. The Project is not for flood control but is designed to reduce the flow into the system and will not raise Alcosan rates. However, an increase in Alcosan rates is scheduled and will go up to 10% and is not due to this Project. The area is to be maintained by the Public Works and it will be up to the 60 plus residents of the area to be vigilant and to call the Police for any problems. The Mayor and Council feels this is an exciting \$550,000 Green Demonstration Project the Borough will be able to experience for a minimal cost of \$12,500.

With no further questions or remarks, the Workshop Meeting ended at 6:42 p.m.

APPROVED: APRIL 11, 2013

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President Barry G. Schell, Town Council

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW - REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 14, 2013

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, advertised to be held immediately following the Workshop Meeting at 6:00 p.m. The Meeting was called to order by President Barry G. Schell at 6:42 p.m. Chief Fromlak conducted Roll Call. Present were: President Barry G. Schell, Member John W. Koerts, Member Donald E. Mikec, Member M. Kimberly Steele, Member Bryan S. Kircher, Member Robert D. Schellhaas, Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Sec./Mgr. Bruce A. Fromlak, Asst. Sec. Patricia A. Rapp, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller. Vice President William F. Aguglia was absent. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on February 7, 2013 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of general fund expenditures for net pay and payroll withholding for \$130,501.25 and payments to vendors for \$128,182.92 made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered. Motion made by Mr. Koerts was seconded by Mr. Mikec to approve payment of building fund expenditures for \$7,007.30. Motion approved and ordered. Motion by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Mikec to approve payment of liquid fuel fund expenditures in the amount of \$5,093.50. Motion approved and ordered.

Reports from the Officers – Mayor’s Report from J.R. Henry, Mayor – Mayor Henry said the total receipts for February 2013 for motor vehicle code violations was \$6,059.35 and was within Council’s packets.

Report from the Chief of Police / Secretary / Manager – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief advised Council regarding the camera installation in car 61, 64 and 65, advised regarding the seminar both he and Solicitor Baxter attended regarding liability of Police Departments due to changes in civil and case laws and announced the Giant Eagle drug take back program, slated for Saturday, April 27th from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The Borough received its \$500,000 TAN on February 19th and the money was deposited into the general fund account. Chief Fromlak thanked everyone for their kindness and support to his family due to the passing of his son and introduced the newest West View Part Time Police Officer Dennis Gapsky to everyone.

Report from the Solicitor – Fred E. Baxter had no report for Council.

Report from Glenn Engineering – Robert Zischkau is preparing the 2013 paving program bid documents for consideration in April and is working with the Manager, Council and the Public Works on grant applications, one through the DCNR and a matching grant application through the Department of Community Development Year 2014 and is hoping to receive funding to redevelop the entire Bronx Field site.

Report from the Fire Chief – Mark W. Scheller reported 18 firefighters completed the rope certification class and the Department will schedule training classes for firefighter survival and flashover simulator. The firefighters will hold a craft show at the building on March 30th, starting at 9 a.m.

Reports from the Committees – Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher reported the Borough’s Wage Tax collection deposits for February totaled \$9,343.86, and \$139.55 was refunded to individuals and municipalities. The Borough’s net proceeds were \$4,602.16 and this was deposited into the general fund checking account, along with \$65,407.64 from Keystone Collections. Our Capital Reserve - UDAG checking account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of February 28th. Our Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$44,950.51 as of February 28th. Our Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$180,268.20 as of February 28th and earned \$13.83 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$849,054.03 as of February 28th and earned \$38.41 in interest. Real estate tax collections deposits totaled \$624.58 for February. Our Local Services collection deposits totaled \$1,974.87 for February. The Borough’s net proceeds were \$987.44. Business and Mercantile collection deposits totaled \$1,992.54 for February. The Borough’s net proceeds were \$996.27.

Property and Purchasing Report – John W. Koerts advised Council will consider an Agenda item regarding 4

Bids received for the as-is sale of the 2000 F-350 Ford ¾ ton pickup. James Sokol bid \$1,828, G. M. Mucha bid \$5,500., Sulli Motors bid \$1,040 and Tom Platt bid \$2,750. Council will also consider authorizing the hiring of an architect for the remake of Borough Hall and hiring a heating engineer to update or replace the 37 year old heating and air conditioning system. Public Works Report – Mr. Koerts said the Public Works Dept. used 243 tons of salt, due to a busy winter. State Pipe flushed 17 sewers and the Road Crew has been picking up trash, patching potholes, as well as they had an inspection conducted on the aerial truck.

Fire and Water Report – Donald E. Mikec reported the West View Volunteer Fire Department responded to 12 calls in February, with total staff using 42 hours 62 minutes. Mr. Mikec was honored to attend Fire Company #2 installation and swearing of Officers that occurred in January.

Council Member Robert D. Schellhaas had no report for Public Relations.

Recreation Report – M. Kimberly Steele advised they are working on the summer recreation program and the Borough is accepting applications for summer work.

Remarks from the Audience – Dave Urban from 60 Lakewood questioned Council about the Public Works picking up trash, complained of the garbage on the K Mart hill at Center, questioned Police contracting out and/or working off duty hours, questioned the number of Police Officers and the number residing in the Borough. Mr. Urban questioned the intention to remake of Borough Hall and wants Officers to reside in West View. Mr. Urban addressed Council for 4.03.3 minutes. Heather Blocki of 12 Columbia questioned what streets are being considered for paving and questioned an audible alarm she had heard while walking by K Mart. Ms. Blocki addressed Council for 1.21.1 minutes. Tom Barie from 110 Center reported a hole in the back of Oakley that had been worrying him and was in front of Council for 1.11.4 minutes. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort expressed condolences to the Chief, questioned if the US constitutional oath was administered to #2 firefighters, questioned Mr. Zischkau regarding the green sewer project and said he was scared to use federal money and felt the use of federal money was terrible. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 6.04.03 minutes. Tom Barie addressed Council again about several cars sitting in the Borough and was advised by the Mayor that both issues Mr. Barie discussed could have been better served by calling the Police immediately instead of bringing these matters to Council. Mr. Barie was advised to take these matters to the staff at the Borough.

There was no unfinished business or new business and Council addressed the Agenda.

Item #1. Council to consider an appointment to the Planning Commission, being vacant due to Mr. Schmitt relocating. Motion to appoint Eugene Borio from 126 Princeton Avenue, a 30 year resident, made by Mr. Koerts was seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered, the appointment being through May 31, 2015.

Item #2. Council to consider appointing a Delegate and an Alternate Delegate for the MRM Property & Liability Trust and a Delegate and an Alternate Delegate for the MRM Workers' Compensation Pooled Trust. Motion from Mr. Kircher was seconded by Ms. Steele to appoint Barry G. Schell as Delegate and John W. Koerts as Alternate Delegate. Motion approved and ordered.

Item #3. Council to consider approving the payment of \$12,100 to Ross/West View EMS, approved in the 2013 budget. Motion made by Mr. Mikec was seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered and Council Member Bryan S. Kircher abstained.

Item #4. Council to consider advertising to receive bids for both the LED retrofit for the existing 52 Sternberg Street Lights along Center and Perry and for the as is sale of the 2006 Kubota Model F-2560, with a \$6,500 reserve. Motion to approve made by Mr. Koerts was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Item #5. Council to consider the Bids received for the as is sale of the 2000 F-350 Ford ¾ ton pickup, opened at 9:00 a.m. on Wed., March 13th. Four Bids were received: James Sokol bid \$1828, G. M. Mucha bid \$5,500., Sulli Motors bid \$1,040 and Tom Platt bid \$2,750. Motion to award to the highest bidder, G. M. Mucha at \$5,500 made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Item #6. Council to consider authorizing the hiring of an Architect to remake the Police areas in the Borough Hall and the hiring of a Heating Engineer to update or replace the 37 year old heating and air conditioning system. Motion to approve made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.

Announcements – President Schell thanked everyone for attending and announced Council’s intention to retire for an Executive Session. Mr. Schell said, other than adjournment, no further business would be discussed after the Session. Council retired to Executive Session at 7:22 p.m. At 7:32 p.m. Council returned and Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Kircher was seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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