

## BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW - REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, September 12, 2013 in Council chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Schell, then a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the Flag. Chief Fromlak conducted roll call. Members of Town Council present: President Barry G. Schell, Vice President William F. Aguglia, Members Donald E. Mikec, M. Kimberly Steele, John W. Koerts, and Robert D. Schellhaas. Member Bryan S. Kircher was absent. Also attending: Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Secretary/Manager, Asst. Sec. Patty Rapp, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller.

President Schell requested a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on August 8, 2013, and motion made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve general fund payment of net pay and payroll withholding for \$126,486.93 made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of liquid fuel fund expenditures for \$5,095.87 made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of building fund expenditures for \$5,006.93 made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Reports from the Officers - Mayor - J. R. Henry summarized his report for Council with \$8,599.30 in total receipts for motor vehicle code violations for August 2013. Report from the Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager - Chief Bruce A. Fromlak advised he is conducting contract negotiations with members of the Police and Public Works. West View Officers will take part in a DUI task force on 9/20 in Wexford from 10 pm until 3 am. Report from the Solicitor - Fred E. Baxter requested a motion for permission from Council to file a suit and/or lien against 17 Fairview to recoup the cost of demolition. Mr. Baxter said a public hearing was held regarding this matter and no one, i.e., the owners or the insurance company, attended. Motion made by Mr. Mikec was seconded by Mr. Aguglia to have the Solicitor file the suit/lien. Motion approved and ordered. Mr. Baxter advised Ordinance #1472 can be read by title only, as the ordinance approves the updating and codification of the Borough's ordinances/code book and will enable residents to link to the online code book through the Borough's website.

Report from Glenn Engineering - Robert E. Zischkau reported on the Roup Alley project, the alley behind Joe Versace at 98 Rochester. The Mayor apologized to Joe Versace for the delays and thanked him for his patience. Mr. Zischkau said Council is to consider bidding out the Bell Drive slide project and addressed the NHCOC matters regarding Frankfort Avenue, Center Avenue and the Ashford and Glenmore salt lot and is hopeful the paving will begin within the next few weeks. The green infrastructure project on Center must be re-bid and Mr. Zischkau is awaiting the approval for the plans from the

government. Mr. Zischkau expects this project to bid out in October. The Mayor questioned Mr. Zischkau regarding the relocation of the water line, which Mr. Zischkau feels will be done soon. The Mayor had questions regarding the completion of Perry Highway's sinkhole area, as per Penn Dot's specifications and Mr. Zischkau said this area would be closed up to 12 days and all businesses, the Port Authority, Penn Dot, etc. would be properly notified. The Mayor requested significant signage be placed along this area and the Fire Police will be aiding with signs and traffic control when the time comes.

Report from the Fire Chief - Mark W. Scheller said West View Fire Prevention will be held at the West View Plaza on Saturday, October 12 from 9am until 3pm. President Schell thanked Chief Scheller and the Fire Department for the September 11<sup>th</sup> very nice memorial display along Perry Hwy. at #3 Fire Hall.

Reports from the Committees - Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher (Absent) Mr. Schellhaas read the Finance Report for August, as follows: Wage tax collection deposits for August totaled \$5,584.06, less \$4.75 in refunds to individuals. The Borough's net proceeds were \$2,789.66 and were deposited into the general fund checking account, along with \$62,041.25 from Keystone Collections. Our capital reserve - UDAG checking account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of 8/31. Our liquid fuel checking account had a balance of \$170,943.44 as of 8/31, earning \$28.09 in interest. The building fund money market account had a balance of \$180,358.60 as of 8/31, with \$14.83 in earned interest. Our general fund money market had a \$724,319.51 balance as of 8/31, earning \$38.98 in interest. Our local services collection deposits totaled \$6,386.93 for August and the Borough's proceeds were \$5,683.61. Business and mercantile collection deposits totaled \$2,878.55 for August and the Borough's proceeds were \$1,439.28. Real estate tax collection deposits totaled \$542,274.53 for August.

Mr. John W. Koerts had no property and purchasing report but addressed Council with the public works report and said the Road Crew has been painting curbs and lines and patching holes and picking up trash. The replaced a Center Avenue guide rail and have been cutting trees and limbs and taking care of the Borough sewers. Police and Public Safety Report - William F. Aguglia read a letter of appreciation regarding the work Detective Ganster did on the recovery of a stolen vehicle and thanked Steve on Council's behalf. Mr. Aguglia said the Chief will be attending a free seminar on 10/2 provided by the US Dept. of Justice on safety and terrorism. There was no budget/administration report due to Mr. Kircher being absent.

Fire and Water Report - Donald E. Mikec said the Fire Dept. had 22 calls in August, with 61.2 man hours, with 200 calls or 874.36 hour year-to-date. Public Relations - Robert D. Schellhaas said the Crime Watch meetings are now on the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the West View Banquet Hall and the October 8<sup>th</sup> program will address the laws the Magistrate and Police must follow. Recreation Report - M. Kimberly Steele

reported the Halloween Parade will be on Monday, October 28 and signup begins Monday, 10/14 (M-F 8-4 @ the Borough Office) and there will be 2 nights - Wed. 10/16 & Thurs. 10/17 from 5-7pm. The 1,100 bags will be packed on 10/23 and Ms. Steele requested Council's help with handing out the goodie bags at the parade's end on 10/28.

Audience - Jim Barr / 200 Frankfort questioned the Engineer concerning Roup Alley and was disturbed the West View Police would be participating in the DUI task force. Mr. Barr said this was unnecessary and is a violation of rights to stop people. Mr. Barr questioned the seminar about terrorism to be held at Robert Morris and said it seems inappropriate and is against any federal government projects. President Schell said the Borough will pursue all grants to obtain money for the Borough. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 5.24.5 minutes. Dave Urban from 60 Lakewood addressed Council to agree with Mr. Barr that he doesn't like money from the government because they control it and make you hire/solicit minorities so that blacks or women get the jobs and he thinks people that earn the jobs should get them. Mr. Urban questioned if we still receive RAD money and Mr. Schell said yes and explained the Borough pursues getting our tax dollars back into the Borough. Mr. Urban said he agrees with Mr. Barr being against the DUI task force pulling over vehicles and questions if it is constitutional. Mr. Urban was in front of Council for 3.17.4 minutes.

There was no unfinished or new business for Council so Mr. Schell moved into the Agenda. Item #1 - Council to consider Ordinance #1471. Motion to read #1471 made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Solicitor Baxter said this may be read by title only. Chief Fromlak read #1471, which amends the Borough's street sweeping ordinances #1409 and #1429. Motion to approve #1471 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Item #2 - Council to consider Ordinance #1472. Motion to read #1472 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered and the Chief read #1472 by title only. Ordinance #1472 changes nothing but adopts and approves the codification and revision of the Borough's code book. The Chief said the book is manageably more efficient and will be linked online through our website. Motion to adopt #1472 made by Mr. Koerts was seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Item #3 - Council to consider advertising for bids for the Bell Drive Slide repairs, as per the Engineer's Report. The section is located off of Mount Vernon, below Oakwood Avenue. Motion to approve made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Announcements - The Chief clarified the sections within the revised code book were re-numbered to be more effective and to allow for expansion. The Mayor clarified the location of Bell Drive and said the Borough would be pursuing grant monies for the project and funding would be allocated within next year's budget. Mr. Zischkau said there is currently no imminent danger at this site and it is his intention to only bid the

project, not to authorize the project.

Adjournment - With no further business to come before Council, President Schell requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

APPROVED: October 10, 2013

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak  
Secretary/Manager

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barry G. Schell  
President of Town Council