

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW
REGULAR MEETING - JULY 12, 2012

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, July 12, 2012 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and everyone was welcomed by President Burchell, followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Chief Fromlak conducted roll call and Council Members present were: President Ralph Burchell, Vice President Barry Schell, M. Kimberly Steele, Donald Mikec, John Koerts and Mary Bernhard. Member William Aguglia was absent. Also attending were: J.R. Henry, Mayor, Chief of Police/Sec./Mgr. Bruce Fromlak, Asst. Sec. Rapp and Robert Zischkau from Glenn Engineering. Solicitor Fred Baxter and Fire Chief George Hollenberger were absent.

Motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on June 14, 2012 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schell, with motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve general fund expenditures for net pay and payroll withholding for \$119,775.97 and payments to vendors for \$85,912.12 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts, with motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of building fund expenditures for \$3,822.37 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele, with motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of liquid fuel fund expenditures for \$5,214.57 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Mikec, with motion approved and ordered.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Report from the Mayor - J.R. Henry, Mayor - Mayor Henry said the total receipts for June 2012 were \$6,925.69. The Mayor updated Council concerning reverse 911 and has been looking into policies through various vendors.

Report from the Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager - Bruce A. Fromlak - Chief Fromlak reported on the CONNECT auction he attended in order to obtain lower lighting rates for the Borough and reported Borough will save \$3,800/yr. for regular Borough structures rates and save \$2,600/yr. on street lighting rates.

Report from Glenn Engineering - Robert E. Zischkau - Mr. Zischkau addressed the resolutions Council will consider under the Agenda, one being a resolution requesting funding for the proposed reconstruction of Frankfort Avenue and one being a resubmission of funding for the demolition of 46 Clairmont. Mr. Zischkau stressed the resolution for the acknowledgement to ALCOSAN is non-binding, but is needed to comply with ALCOSAN/Girty's Run specifications.

Mr. Burchell said the Solicitor has reviewed and approved the resolution and Mayor Henry thanked Mr. Zischkau for the work performed and explained that this is part of a countywide mandate, and the Borough, as a part of the complex sewer shed of Girty's Run, the Borough must comply and can do so with this non-binding resolution.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Mary C. Bernhard - Mrs. Bernhard reported wage tax collection deposits for June totaled \$32,075.66 and \$1,127.45 was refunded to individuals and municipalities. The Borough's net proceeds were \$14,495.01 and were deposited into the general fund checking account, along with \$33,942.21 from Keystone Collections for the 1st quarter of 2012. Our capital reserve - UDAG checking account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of June 30th. Our liquid fuel checking account had a balance of \$127,796.99 as of June 30th. Our building fund money market account had a balance of \$180,147.98 as of June 30th and earned \$14.27 in interest. Our general fund money market account had a balance of \$78,651.49 as of June 30th and earned \$11.59 in interest. June had no real estate tax collections.

Property and Purchasing Report - John W. Koerts - Mr. Koerts said we received 3 bids for the "as is" sale of the Trolley. Santa Barbara Trolley bid \$25,160, Sulli Motors bid \$18,555, and Molly's Trolleys bid \$32,550. President Burchell said this would be under the agenda.

Public Works Report - Barry G. Schell - Mr. Schell said the Road Crew has been painting lines, erected new swings in Farley Park and a new carousel in Mayor Powell Park. The Crew has been painting the decorative street lighting and summer help has been cutting weeds, bushes, and assisting with cutting grass. The Crew is patching potholes and a Crew has replaced over 200 ft. of sewer line along Valley Alley behind Hawthorne.

Fire and Water Report - Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec said the Fire Department responded to 16 calls in June, using 13 hrs. 10 minutes 21 seconds of man hours, with an average of 49 minutes 24 seconds. Mr. Mikec had no report for public relations.

Recreation Report - M. Kimberly Steele - Ms. Steele said the summer recreation program is going well, with 35 to 40 children attending daily. There are two weeks left for the program and, even though there were issues with the trolley, the children have been attending field trips.

Audience - Mr. Burchell welcomed any Resident to come forward, giving their name and address, and said they have been furnished with the guidelines for participation on the reverse of their agenda. Heather Pinkerton of 12 Columbia addressed Council regarding open burning and feels people may not purchase a home in West View if they cannot open burn without a \$5 permit, as she feels this is an important family activity. Mr. Burchell said all information regarding open burning is available online, along with the application and the actual incidents of open burning violations have decreased since the ordinance was enacted, which means the ordinance is working. Mayor Henry said our ordinance is modeled after Allegheny County's ordinance prohibiting open burnings countywide. Heather was in front of Council for 2.57.5 minutes. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort Avenue requested clarification regarding resolution #1390 and Mr. Burchell explained the section addressed on Frankfort Avenue would be from Center to the dead end. Mr. Barr questioned the consent decree and wants the Borough to be a member of Girty's Run Authority. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 3.47.5 minutes. The Mayor said the Borough has a good cooperative, working relationship with Girty's Run but has not been invited to join. Mr. Henry said he has explained the Girty's Run lawsuit in the past but re-explained the Borough's loss of this suit to Mr. Barr and re-explained the Borough's refinancing of the 2007 bond rate, as the 2012 rates were much lower and the Borough was able to borrow an additional one-million for paving projects.

Darin Janeczko from 100 Jamaica addressed Council regarding the solicitors going door-to-door and asked if the rules could be on the website. Mr. Janeczko wanted the Borough to approach the Highland Country Club to discuss the use of their currently closed pool. Mr. Janeczko was in front of Council for 4.52.2 minutes. The Chief said he would look into putting the "No Soliciting" sign and info. on our site and advised Darin that no solicitor currently has a permit. Darin was advised the Highland Country Club is private property in Ross and we are unaware of the intended use.

Unfinished Business - There was none.

New Business - The Mayor referred to the CONNECT resolutions that had been provided to Council to review.

Agenda - There were four items for Council to consider:

1. Council to consider the trolley bid results from the July 11th opening. Three bids were received with Molly's Trolley having the highest bid of \$32,550. *Motion to approve the Molly's Trolley bid was made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Mikec.* Mr. Schell asked if the Borough could retain the trolley bell, if possible. With no further discussion, *Motion approved and ordered.*
2. Council to consider Resolution #1388. *Motion to read #1388 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mrs. Bernhard.* *Motion approved and ordered.* President Burchell read #1388 by title only, which defines, relates and considers alternatives relative to a Wet Weather Plan. Mr. Burchell stated that this is a non-binding resolution. *Motion to approve made by Mr. Schell was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.*
3. Council to consider Resolution #1389. *Motion to read #1389 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Mikec.* *Motion approved and ordered.* Mr. Burchell read #1389, which requests \$11,000 in funding from the Department of Economic Development for the demolition of 46 Clairmont Avenue. *Motion to approve #1389 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schell. Motion approved and ordered.*
4. Council to consider Resolution #1390. *Motion to read #1390 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mrs. Bernhard.* *Motion approved and ordered.* Mr. Burchell read #1390, which requests \$55,000 in funding from the Department of Economic Development for the reconstruction of Frankfort Avenue (from Center to the dead end.) *Motion to approve #1390 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

Announcements - Ms. Steele reminded everyone of the special election for 40th Senatorial District, to be held 8/7/12. West View is in the 40th and will elect a replacement to State Senator, which was the seat of Jane Orie.

Adjournment - With no further business to come before Council, President Burchell thanked everyone for attending and *Motion to Adjourn was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.* The Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

APPROVED: 08/09/2012

Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr.

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Ralph R. Burchell, President of Town