

Borough of West View – Regular Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2014

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, July 10, 2014 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order by President Schell at 7:00 p.m. followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Chief Fromlak conducted roll call. Council Members present: President Barry G. Schell, Vice President William F. Aguglia, Members John W. Koerts, Donald E. Mikec, M. Kimberly Steele, Bryan S. Kircher and Robert D. Schellhaas. Also attending: Mayor J.R. Henry, Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr., Asst. Sec. P.A. Rapp, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Junior Council Members Madison Hintemeyer and Austin Babjak. Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller was absent.

President Schell requested a Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on June 12, 2014, which was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for general fund for net pay and payroll withholding for \$129,491.11 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$76,710.45 made by Mr. Schellhaas was seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for liquid fuel fund expenditures for \$4,727.24 made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$1,473.07 made by Mr. Kircher was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.

Reports from the Officers – Mayor's Report – J. R. Henry reported the motor vehicle code violations for May 2014 totaled \$3,543.27 and June 2014 totaled \$8713.79. The Mayor said a July 22nd meeting will take place between the Borough, the Municipal Authority and Girty's Run, which the Chief will attend and update Council at the next meeting. Chief of Police / Secretary / Manager – Chief Bruce A. Fromlak reported on the Center Avenue Wet Weather Project, which should be done by the end of July and reported on the progress of the Bell Drive Project. Solicitor Fred E. Baxter and Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering had no report for Council and with Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller being absent, President Schell moved onto Reports from the Committees. Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher reported the wage tax collection deposits for June were \$1,557.43, with the Borough's net proceeds being \$778.72. A total of \$85,250.41 was deposited into the general fund checking account by Keystone Collections. Our liquid fuel checking account had a balance of \$166,164.03 as of June 30th and earned \$7.06 in interest. Our building fund money market account had a balance of \$13,432.80 as of June 30th and earned \$.57 in interest. Our general fund money market account had a balance of \$675,002.58 as of June 30th and earned \$29.86 in interest. Our local services collection deposits totaled \$185.00 for June and the Borough's net proceeds were \$167.21. Business and mercantile collection deposits totaled \$337.79 for June. The Borough's net proceeds were \$169.90. There were no real estate tax collection deposits in June.

Property and Purchasing Report – John W. Koerts had no report. Public Works Report – Robert D. Schellhaas reported the Road Crew installed a merry-go-round in Columbia Park and laid wood carpet. The Crew has used 15 tons of hot mix filling potholes and did maintenance on 8 storm sewers. They also laid wood carpet in Farley Park. Police and Public Safety Report – William F. Aguglia reported the Cops Grant that began in 2011 to use for hiring/wages of Officer Green will expire September, 2014 and advised the Borough has received a grant extension through August, 2015. Mr. Aguglia commended the work on the Grant by Barb O'Lare. Mr. Aguglia read a letter from Steve Todorovich of West View Laserwash, commending the work of Detective Ganster and Officer Cordial. Mr. Aguglia said he was proud of the commendable service of the Chief and the Lieutenant and the Members of the Volunteer Fire Department. Budget / Administration Report – Bryan S. Kircher had no report. Fire and Water Report – Donald E. Mikec reported the West View Volunteer Fire Department responded to 39 calls in June with 98.22 staff hours and year-to-date calls are 174, with an average of 29 man hours. Public Relations and Recreation Report – Ms. M. Kimberly Steele had no report for public relations and reported on the summer recreation program, which is going well, averaging 30 to 45 Children daily, with lots of swim and field trips.

Audience – President Schell welcomed Residents from the audience to address Council. Dave Urban from 60 Lakewood gave his opinion on the Agenda item addressing street sweeping violation fees, questioning the constitutionality, the justification and feels the fine should be \$5. Member Aguglia said the same offenders are tagged every week and feels

the offenders do not care. Mr. Urban questioned the year of the Ford Crown Victoria to be sold, which the Chief said is a 2006. Mr. Urban questioned which streets are to be paved and President Schell said the streets would be read during the Agenda. Mr. Urban was in front of Council for 4.52.5 minutes. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort questioned Council on who the injured party was regarding parking tickets, requested a summary of Agenda item #2 and #3, questioned what wood carpet was and questioned who is providing the grant money for Officer Green's wages. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 6.57.4 minutes. Chief Fromlak said Agenda item #2 regarding curb cuts has become necessary for Council to consider due to Residents parking cars in the front yards of their homes. Parking on the street is very valuable and the proposed Ordinance would regulate curb cuts for front yard parking, as this takes away an on-street parking spot. Agenda item #3 would propose amending the hours for application submission from 4 p.m. to Noon of the Open Burn Ordinance, which would better accommodate Residents.

President Schell thanked everyone for addressing Council and, with no unfinished business or new business, moved onto the Agenda. Item #1 – Mr. Zischkau reported on the #14-2 Paving Bid received from Victor Paving. Mr. Zischkau said the original bid was over budget and he made revisions to bring the bid down to the total cost of \$173,672 for the 2014 Paving Project. Motion to approve the \$173,672 Bid through Victor Paving for the 2014 Paving Project was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. The 2014 Project will include the following streets/alleys: Bell Drive from Mount Vernon to Oakwood, Burnett Alley from Jamaica to Lakewood, Cooper Alley from Center Avenue to the end, Jamaica Avenue from Montclair to Hempstead, Lakewood Avenue from Waverly to beyond Montclair, Mount Vernon Avenue from Norwich through the cul-de-sac and Wilkins Alley from Burnett Alley to Highland at a cost of \$173,672.

Item #2 – Council to consider advertising Ordinance #1480. (Proposed Ordinance regarding curb cuts to prohibit vehicles parking in front yards) Motion made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Ms. Steele to advertise #1480 and Motion was approved and ordered by Council. Item #3 – Council to consider advertising Ordinance #1481. (Proposed amendment to the Open Burn Ordinance #1409 would change the current 4 p.m. application filing time to Noon to better accommodate Residents) Motion to advertise #1481 made by Mr. Schellhaas was seconded by Mr. Aguglia and Motion was approved and ordered by Council. Item #4 – Council to consider advertising Ordinance #1482. (Proposed amendment to the current Ordinance #1387 changing the tiered fine system to a flat \$10 fine) Motion to approve advertising #1482 made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Schellhaas and Motion was approved and ordered by Council. Item #5 – Council to consider approving the sale of Police Car #63 to the Oakdale Borough Police Dept. for \$3,500. (PA Borough Code Section 1201.3 legally permits Exceptions a) for the sale of Borough property) Motion by Mr. Koerts was seconded by Ms. Steele to approve the Sale to Oakdale for \$3,500. Motion approved and ordered by Council.

Item #6 – Motion to read Resolution #1409 made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered by Council. Chief Fromlak read #1409, which is a Resolution to apply for \$115,000 in grant money from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the rehabilitation of Bronx Field. Motion to approve #1409 made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered by Council.

There were no announcements. Mayor Henry said he doesn't want Council to set a precedence by continuing to request permission on advertising Ordinances as Items under the Agenda, as the Borough has budgeted for legal advertising fees and he did not recollect this being done before.

Adjournment – With no further business to come before Council, President Schell thanked everyone for attending the meeting and requested a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion was approved and ordered by Council. The Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

APPROVED:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____
Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr.

BY: _____
President Barry G. Schell, Town Council