

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, March 10, 2016, in Council chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer, remembering the health of resident Dave Urban, and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Roll call was taken by Chief Fromlak. Members of Town Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Donald E. Mikec, Robert D. Schellhaas, Eugene Borio and Scott V. Miller. Also attending were: J.R. Henry, Mayor, Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Secretary/Manager, Assistant Secretary Patricia A. Rapp, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer Robert E. Zischkau, Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller, and Junior Council Members Austin Babjak and Monica Snyder.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on February 11, 2016 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding for \$154,372.66 made by Mr. Kircher was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$89,573.51 made by Mr. Mikec was seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for liquid fuel fund expenditures for \$4,583.69 made by Mr. Borio was seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment for building fund expenditures for \$82,193.25 made by Ms. Steele was seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Reports from the Officers – Mayor’s Report – J. R. Henry, Mayor – The Mayor reported the total receipts for February’s motor vehicle code violations were \$5,227.37. Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager’s Report – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak said there would be an addition to the Agenda so bids may be accepted for the Highland/Perry Intersection, which is to be partially funded through the PIB loan in conjunction with Wooster, the developer for the Highland/Gass plan of homes. Chief Fromlak said \$225,000 has been budgeted for paving in 2016 and read the proposed/tentative 2016 Paving Project list of streets: Adrian from Carlisle to Columbia, Adrian from Carlisle to dead end, Columbia from Harvard to dead end, Columbia from Ross line to Harvard, Highland from Ashford to Bellevue, Martsof from Ridgewood to Bridge, Richland from Ridgewood to Oakwood, Ridgewood from Perry past Martsof, South Fork from Montclair to Wellington and Wellington from Jamaica to 100’ past Route 19. Chief Fromlak advised Mr. Zischkau would be conducting MS4 training for all employees of the Borough and said the Public Works Crew has been planting trees along Center Avenue, by Waverly and Oakwood. The Chief reported the Police responded to 323 complaints in February.

Chief Fromlak explained the recent alert/abduction to Council. Two Road Crew Workers, Rich Rapp and Dan Sterzinger, called 911 to report an incident they saw, which was a woman being punched and thrown into a vehicle along Center. Officer Green was dispatched and gave chase of the suspect vehicle, along with Sergeant Towne. The chase ended in the City of Pittsburgh, at the Giant Eagle on Brighton Road. The Chief commended Rich Rapp, Dan Sterzinger, Officer Green and Sgt. Towne and advised he would like to formally recognize all at a later date. Mr. Mikec questioned the Chief regarding Adrian/Alley for paving and Mr. Kircher asked if the Borough intended to add fiber as they had last year and the Chief said yes. Report from the Solicitor – Michael J. Witherel had no report for Council.

Engineer’s Report – Robert E. Zischkau – Mr. Zischkau was disturbed by the work done on the roadway at Highland and Cornell and intends to contact the Contractor from the Highland/Gass plan of homes in order to redo the road, which is sinking. Mr. Zischkau addressed the Borough’s consent orders and informed Council that, as of the end of May, Three Rivers Wet Weather will be more than likely dissolved due to lack of funding. Mr. Zischkau expressed his disappointment, as Three Rivers has been helpful to the Borough through their sewer mapping program. Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller had no report for Council.

Reports from the Committees – Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher reported the delinquent wage tax collection deposits totaled \$1,392.70 in February. A total of \$77,117.57 was deposited into the Borough’s general fund checking account by Keystone Collections. Our liquid fuel checking account had a balance of \$28,134.90 as of February 29<sup>th</sup> and earned \$7.17 in interest. Our building fund money market account had a balance of \$28,464.93 as of February 29<sup>th</sup>, earning \$8.98 in interest. Our general fund checking account had a balance of \$795,064.34 as of February 29<sup>th</sup> and earned no interest. No real estate taxes were collected in February. February’s local service tax collections were \$13,289.13 and the Borough received \$12,011.35. Business/Mercantile collections totaled \$9,715.37, with the Borough receiving \$4,847.68.

Property & Purchasing Report – Eugene Borio – Mr. Borio said Council is to consider the purchase of a 2016 Police Utility Vehicle for \$29,301 through the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance through Woltz & Wind Ford. Police & Public Safety – Scott V. Miller – Mr. Miller said 5 Officers will be participating in an upcoming Active Shooter class. Budget / Administration Report – Bryan S. Kircher had no report for Council. Fire & Water Report – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec said the West View Volunteer Fire Department responded to 36 calls in February, with 62 year-to-date.

Public Works Report – Robert D. Schellhaas reported the Public Works Department completed 23 work orders in February. The Borough received 1,177 tons of salt this winter and used 500 tons in February. Public Relations & Recreation Report – M. Kimberly Steele reported the next Crime Watch Meeting will take place on March 14<sup>th</sup> and the program will address self-defense. Junior Council Member Report – Austin Babjak & Monica Snyder – Monica reported on the upcoming NHSD activities, inclusive of the February 18<sup>th</sup> French and German Club induction, the Choral concert, the Orchestra concert and Band-o-rama. Spring break will run from March 21-25 and students participated in fund raising activities during cancer week.

Police Chief Fromlak said Council and the Borough had recently been accepted as a “Banner Community” through Allegheny County, for their outstanding efforts in the Community. Junior Council Member Austin Babjak added the North Hills Varsity Basketball team lost their playoff game but congratulated the team for their outstanding season.

Audience – President Aguglia welcomed any Resident to address Council. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort questioned Council regarding which foundations sponsor Three Rivers Wet Weather and asked to give Council Members a DVD regarding the mandated smart meters Duquesne Light installed on residences, which he feels emits radiation. The Mayor asked if Mr. Barr had investigated the radiation claim and Mr. Barr said no. Mr. Barr questioned the probable cause for the incident last Thursday and was concerned of the vehicles going fast along Center. The Chief, Vice President Kircher, the Mayor and Mr. Schellhaas responded to Mr. Barr, explaining how our Police did have probable cause and are highly trained Officers, being specifically capable to handle this type of incident. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 10:11:22 minutes.

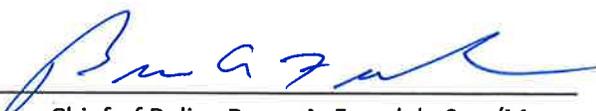
There was no unfinished business or new business and President Aguglia moved onto the Agenda. Agenda Item #1 – Council to consider an appointment of a Delegate and an Alternate Delegate to the MRM Property and Liability Trust. Motion to appoint Donald Mikec as Delegate and William Aguglia as Alternate was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered. Item # 2 – Council to consider an appointment of a Delegate and an Alternate Delegate to the MRM Workers’ Comp Pooled Trust. Motion to appoint Mr. Aguglia as Delegate and Mr. Mikec as Alternate was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered. Item #3 – Council to consider seeking bids for the 2016 street paving program. Motion to approve made by Mr. Mikec was seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

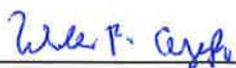
Item #4 – Council to consider the purchase of a 2016 Police Utility Vehicle to replace the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria. The new vehicle purchase would be through the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance through Woltz & Wind Ford for \$29,301. Motion to approve this purchase was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered. Item #5 – Council to consider accepting bids for the intersection of Highland and Perry. Motion to approve made by Mr. Kircher was seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Announcements – President Aguglia said he had visited Mr. Urban and is 95% healthy, now using one cane. Mr. Aguglia said Mr. Urban had burning in his eyes and mouth prior to having his stroke, which is a symptom Mr. Aguglia had not heard before. With no further business to come before Council, President Aguglia requested a Motion to Adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Kircher was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2016

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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

BY:   
William F. Aguglia, President, Town Council