

OFFICIAL BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW
SPECIAL BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES - NOVEMBER 13, 2012

Minutes of the Special Budget Workshop Meeting, held Tuesday, November 13, 2012 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order by President Ralph Burchell at 5:30 p.m., followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. President Burchell read the special meeting notice, advertised on November 10, 2012.

Chief Fromlak conducted roll call. Present were: President Ralph R. Burchell, Vice President Barry G. Schell, Member William F. Aguglia, Member John W. Koerts and Member Mary C. Bernhard. Also attending were: J. R. Henry, Mayor, Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr. and Records Keeper Barb O'Lare. Member M. Kimberly Steele was absent, Member Donald E. Mikec arrived late and Assistant Secretary Patricia A. Rapp was absent due to illness.

The Chief reported the proposed 2013 (\$4,655,251.00) budget maintains all services, functions and activities and will not increase the current millage of 6.68. Expenses will actually be decreased over 2012's \$4,756,815.00 budget. The proposed budget contains a 3% increase in wages for Police and Non Uniformed employees for 2013 and takes into account a \$500,000.00 Tax Anticipation Note for 2013. As for the Borough Building rentals, PNC Bank has renewed their lease for 5 years, the smoke shop is converting into Steeltown Firearms and Sporting Goods and an amended lease will be drawn up for that property. Schorr's Bakery lease expires December 31, 2013 and the owner has expressed their intent to renew. Dollar General has 2 years remaining on their lease.

The Chief addressed the line items in the proposed budget. General Fund – Revenues total \$3,075,650 and Expenses total \$3,075,650. The Mayor questioned 439 – Street resurfacing program, with YTD at \$139,205.75. The Chief said \$118,300.00 had been paid for out of the general fund and Mr. Schell added the difference was due to bond interest. The Mayor questioned if there was anything special regarding UE Compensation and Act 156 for 2013. The Chief did not expect anything new but could adjust for any modifications. The Mayor questioned the proposed decrease in 01.408.190 – Other Engineering fees from \$85,491.55 YTD for 2012 to \$38,000 for 2013. The Chief said the additional monies expended in 2012 were due to the special paving projects. Mr. Schell said the Borough intends to do some of future work in house.

The Mayor questioned the status of Triangle Pet and was advised they are only accepting road kill and are not taking dogs/cats. The Chief said the NHCOC is pursuing alternatives for the municipalities affected and may consider Hoffman Kennels in West Deer Township, which is only 45 minutes from West View. After being questioned regarding the now bankrupt Centax who collected LST, Business and Mercantile taxes for West View, the Chief was unaware of any monies that are still due from Centax to the Borough. Under expenses, 419 Other Public Safety, a new line item was added as 01.419.000 Demolition. This was added by the Auditor to address demolished properties in the Borough and the house on Clairmont has been demolished but still needs to have the debris removed.

The Mayor said the Chief did a fine job and the Chief gave credit to the Budget Committee for their work on the proposed budget. With no further Business to be discussed, Mr. Burchell accepted a Motion to Adjourn, which was made by Mr. Schell and was seconded by Mr. Koerts. The Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

APPROVED: December 13, 2012

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BY: _____
Chief Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr.
Borough of West View

BY: _____
Barry G. Schell
President of Town Council