

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 8, 2012

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Thursday, November 8, 2012 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Barry G. Schell at 7:00 p.m., followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Chief Fromlak conducted roll call and Members of Town Council present were: Vice-President Barry G. Schell, Member William F. Aguglia, Member John W. Koerts, Member Donald E. Mikec, Member Mary C. Bernhard and Member M. Kimberly Steele. President Ralph R. Burchell was absent. Also attending were: J.R. Henry, Mayor, Chief of Police/Sec./Mgr. Bruce A. Fromlak, Assistant Treasurer Cathy A. Mann, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Fire Chief George Hollenberger. Assistant Secretary Patricia A. Rapp was absent.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on October 11, 2012 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment on general fund expenditures for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$ 188,891.12 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment to vendors in the amount of \$ 174,631.66 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of building fund expenditures in the amount of \$ 3,023.91 was made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of liquid fuel fund expenditures in the amount of \$ 5,226.34 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Report from the Mayor – J.R. Henry, Mayor – The Mayor invited Mr. Bill Mankey and Ms. Linda Quiter from the VFW to come forward. Mayor Henry presented them with a commendation for their service to the citizens, children and veterans through the VFW. They have worked at VFW for 26 years promoting many programs involving the children. Mayor Henry thanked them for their dedicated service over the years. Mayor Henry stated that he, along with Mr. Schell and Chief Fromlak, attended the site plan presentation from Heartland Homes regarding the Highland Country Club property. There are 12 acres of the property that is in the Borough but will not be developed at this time. They are proposing 3 entrances that are off of Highland Avenue with no traffic signals in which the Mayor stated that Mr. Schell, Chief Fromlak and himself will be looking into this along with PennDOT. Mayor Henry requested an executive session after the regular meeting to discuss contract issues. Mayor Henry reported the total receipts for motor vehicle code violations for October was \$ 5,862.07.

Report from the Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak asked Council to consider advertising for a special budget meeting to be held on Tuesday November 11, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. Chief Fromlak then reported that the County is offering a new record keeping program for the police that would cost us nothing. We now pay \$1,800.00 a year for our current program.

Report from the Solicitor – Fred E. Baxter – Mr. Baxter asked Council to consider piggybacking with the North Hills COG for the garbage collection contract.

Report from Glenn Engineering – Robert E. Zischkau – Mr. Zischkau had no report.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES

Finance - Mary C. Bernhard – Mrs. Bernhard reported that the Wage Tax collection deposits for October totaled \$21,487.22 and \$2,482.63 was refunded to individuals and municipalities. The Borough's net proceeds were \$9,502.30 and this amount was deposited into the General Fund checking account, along with \$50,602.29 from Keystone Collections. Our Capital Reserve UDAG checking account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of October 31st. Our Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$107,298.90 as of October 31st. Our Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$180,206.03 as of October 31st and earned \$16.25 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$1,048,789.50 as of October 31st and earned \$84.60 in interest. Real Estate tax collection deposits totaled \$68,336.79 for the month of October.

Property and Purchasing – John W. Koerts – Mr. Koerts asked that last month's motion to advertise for garbage collection be rescinded. He feels the Borough should piggyback with the North Hills COG for the garbage collection with Waste Management. *Motion to rescind last month's motion to advertise for the garbage collection and to piggyback with the COG was made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.*

Public Works – Barry G. Schell – Mr. Schell reported that the Public Works department has been picking up leaves, taking down trees, installing guardrail and removing the old salt bin. Three members of the public works department attended a cold patch class.

Police and Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – Mr. Aguglia read a letter from the loss prevention officer at K-Mart regarding the Safety Days program that Officer Pavlecic coordinated in their parking lot. He stated that it was very informative and well attended.

Budget/Administrative – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia stated that the committee will present the proposed budget to Council at the budget meeting.

Fire and Water – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec stated that there were 20 fire calls in the month of October for a total of 13 hours 3.24 seconds showing an average call time of 39.10 minutes.

Public Relations – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec had no report.

Recreation – M. Kimberly Steele – Ms. Steele reported that this is the first year that she can recall that the Halloween Parade had to be cancelled. Goodie bags were handed out to people who brought their numbers to the borough and then the remaining candy was given to West View Elementary for their Halloween celebration.

AUDIENCE

Mr. Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue asked about the 12 acres of Highland Country Club that are in West View. Mr. Henry replied they are in West View but owned by the Country Club. He asked if we would be saving money on the garbage by going with the COG and Mr. Henry stated that we would be getting more service for the price. He asked why the bills that were paid were so high in which he was told that a big part of that was the paving. He asked about Mr. Burchell's resignation when it took effect. He was told as of November 15, 2012 and that the vacancy board had 30 days to appoint someone to Council. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 4:25 minutes.

Ms. Amber Janeczko from 100 Jamaica asked if it was possible to erect a stop sign at Waverly and Jamaica. Mayor Henry told her that to do a 3 way stop would not be practical because of the cars coming down Jamaica but they would look into possibly putting a stop sign on Waverly. She also asked about making Hempstead a one way street or taking away the angle parking. Mayor Henry told her they would also look into it.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

AGENDA

1. Council to consider the Bid results for the Borough's Salt Storage Shelter. *Motion to accept the quotes for the Borough's Salt Storage Shelter was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.*
2. Council to consider advertising the Special (Budget) Workshop Meeting for Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. *Motion to consider advertising the Special (Budget) Workshop Meeting for Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. was made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.*

Mr. Schell thanked everyone for attending and asked for a motion to end the meeting. *Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.*

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED: December 13, 2012

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____
Bruce A. Fromlak
Police Chief/Secretary/Manager

BY: _____
Barry G. Schell
President of Town Council