

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 11, 2012

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Thursday, October 11, 2012 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The meeting was called to order by President Ralph R. Burchell 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: President Ralph R. Burchell, Vice President Barry G. Schell, Member John W. Koerts, Member Donald E. Mikec, Member Mary C. Bernhard and Member M. Kimberly Steele. Member William F. Aguglia was absent. Also attending were: J. R. Henry, Mayor, Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak, Sec./Mgr., Assistant Secretary Patricia A. Rapp, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Fire Chief George Hollenberger. President Burchell announced County Council Member Matt Drozd was attending in the Audience.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on September 13, 2012 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schell. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment on general fund expenditures for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$121,524.35 and payments to vendors in the amount of \$119,071.18 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of building fund expenditures in the amount of \$966.55 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 reported the total receipts for motor vehicle code violations for September 2012 was \$4,801.55. The Mayor was joined at the podium by Chief Fromlak and Matthew Donatelli and the Mayor swore in Mr. Donatelli as a Part Time Police Officer and he was congratulated and applauded by all.

Report from the Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak recommended Council consider the approval of the Borough advertising for bid acceptance for the Borough's garbage/recycling contract that is due to expire on December 31, 2012. Mr. Burchell said this will be added onto the agenda at item #4.

Report from the Solicitor – Fred E. Baxter – Mr. Baxter had no report.

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

Report from the Fire Chief – George Hollenberger – Mr. Hollenberger reminded everyone to change all the batteries in their smoke detectors in conjunction with daylight savings time clock adjustments. Mr. Hollenberger said persons requesting assistance to do this in their home may call Patty at the Borough and the Fire Dept. Members will help those in need with this matter.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES

Finance Report – Mary C. Bernhard – Mrs. Bernhard said Wage Tax collection deposits for September totaled \$14,140.68 and \$301.99 was refunded to individuals and municipalities. The Borough's net proceeds were \$6,919.35 and this amount was deposited into the General Fund Checking account, along with \$76,933.19 from Keystone Collections. Our Capital Reserve - UDAG Checking Account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of September 30th. Our Liquid Fuel Checking Account had a balance of \$127,796.99 as of September 30th. Our Building Fund Money Market Account had a balance of \$180,186.78 as of September 30th and earned \$13.79 in interest. Our General Fund Money Market Account had a balance of \$1,148,704.90 as of September 30th and earned \$38.95 in interest. Mrs. Bernhard said the Real estate tax collections deposits totaled \$639,593.39 during the month of September.

Property and Purchasing Report – John W. Koerts – Mr. Koerts recommended Council consider approving agenda item #3, which is the \$49,844.00 purchase of a 2013 Ford F-350 4x4 Truck through PA Costars state-wide bid

through Woltz & Wind Ford. The new truck would replace a 2000 truck that is currently in use by the Borough's Road Crew.

Public Works Report – Barry G. Schell – Mr. Schell said the Crew had been sealing cracks in the roadways with the tar kettle and has been doing general maintenance on the Borough building. The Crew is patching potholes with hot patch throughout the Borough and has been working at the salt shed to move the salt in preparation for the installation of the new salt shed. The Crew is beginning leaf pickup throughout the Borough.

Police and Public Safety / Budget / Administration Reports – William F. Aguglia – Mr. Aguglia was absent.

Fire and Water Report / Public Relations – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec reported the West View Volunteer Fire Department responded to 12 calls during September 2012 for a total of 12 hours 28 minutes and 10 seconds, averaging 1 hour 2 minutes and 21 seconds per call for September. Mr. Mikec had no report for Public Relations for Council.

Recreation Report – M. Kimberly Steele – Ms. Steele said that Saturday and Sunday, October 13th & 14th is the Borough's "Safety Days" from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Kmart parking lot. The West View Police Department is pairing up with Kmart to sponsor "Safety Days" and Members of the West View Police, West View Volunteer Fire Department and Ross/West View EMSA will be on hand with demonstrations and free child fingerprinting and Ms. Steele urged the Community to attend this weekend's events. November's Crime Watch Meeting will be held on November 12th and internet safety will be the topic for discussion. The Borough's Halloween Parade will be held on Monday, October 29th at 7:00 p.m., with parade formation at 6:30 p.m. at Highland and Perry. Sign up for the parade will be on Wednesday and Thursday, October 24th and 25th at the Borough building from 5 – 7 p.m. Ms. Steele said Council, Police, Administration, Road Crew and School Guards are all on hand the night of the parade to help out and if anyone would like to donate their time to help pack bags on Thursday, October 25th, to call Patty at the Borough for help.

AUDIENCE – Mr. Burchell welcomed any Borough Resident to come forward to address Council, giving their name and address, and instructed that they had been furnished with the guidelines for participation on the reverse of their agenda. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and recommended the new officer read the Pennsylvania and US constitution. Mr. Barr wanted to know the mileage on the 2000 Truck and Mr. Schell wasn't sure about the mileage but explained the new truck would be ordered and the 2000 truck would be sold after its delivery, if Council approves this request. Mr. Barr feels Waste Management does a great job and questioned Mr. Assisi's position as supervisor or hourly employee. Mr. Assisi is hourly and working in the Road Crew and is the Coordinator, as agreed upon in conjunction with the Union. Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 2 minutes 51.2 seconds. Dave Urban from 60 Lakewood Avenue questioned what Joe Assisi's title is and Mr. Burchell said he is the Coordinator, working hourly as Road Crew, along with office functions such as tracking job costs, purchases, etc., as he is the Senior person with the most experience and knowledge. Mr. Urban requested background information on Officer Donatelli and Chief Fromlak said he has been working at the Allegheny Academy for 2 years and is a Slippery Rock graduate with Criminal Justice and is not ex-military. Officer Donatelli will work "as needed." Mr. Urban questioned if he was hired off the current Civil Service list and Chief said he was not, as Agenda item #2 addressed the Borough's need for a current eligibility list. Mr. Urban was in front of Council for 3 minutes 10.2 seconds.

AGENDA

1. Council to consider Resolution #1391. Motion to read Resolution #1391 was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Solicitor Baxter said this could be read by title only. Mr. Burchell read the title of Resolution #1391, which is a Resolution authorizing the distribution of the foreign fire and casualty premium taxes (\$103,707.18 – Non Uniformed \$100,121.18 and Uniformed \$3,586.00) pursuant to the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act (Act

205 of 1984). Mr. Burchell added that the difference of \$10,134.82 would be added by the Borough, as \$113,842 is needed and the State Aid totaled \$103,707.18. Motion to approve Resolution #1391 made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.

2. Council to consider authorizing the Civil Service Commission to begin their testing procedure to acquire a current Police Candidate Eligibility List. The Borough needs a current eligibility list, as it is required every 2 years. Motion to approve made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mrs. Bernhard. Motion approved and ordered.
3. Council to consider the purchase of a 2013 Ford F-350 4x4 Truck through Woltz & Wind Ford (PA Costar) in the amount of \$49,844.00. Motion to approve made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.
4. Council to consider authorizing the advertisement to accept Garbage/Recycling Contract Bids to be effective January 1, 2013. Motion made by Mr. Schell was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – President Burchell announced he and his family would be moving from the Borough and his need to resign from Town Council, effective November 15, 2012. Mr. Burchell thanked everyone for working along with him over the years, especially while serving on Council and as President.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Henry thanked Mr. Burchell for his leadership, which has been exemplary, especially with Mr. Burchell’s financial expertise and with the reorganization for the Borough and read the plaque he presented to Mr. Burchell on Council’s behalf, as follows: Award of Appreciation presented to Ralph R. Burchell, West View Borough Town Council President. The Members of Town Council extend their sincere thanks for your dedicated service to the Residents of the Borough of West View while serving as a Member of Town Council for 5 years, a Member of the Planning Commission for 4 years and as a Borough Resident for over 26 years. Thank you for helping to keep West View “A Good Place To Live”. Mayor Henry again extends his and Councils thanks to Mr. Burchell, who was applauded by all upon accepting the Plaque.

President Burchell thanked everyone and requested a Motion to Adjourn, which was made by Mr. Schell and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered by Council.

With no further business, Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

APPROVED: November 8, 2012

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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

BY: _____
Ralph R. Burchell, President of Town Council