

Borough of West View – Regular Meeting – September 10, 2015

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, September 10, 2015 in Council chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pgh., PA 15229. President Barry Schell called the meeting to order 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. Members of Town Council present were: President Barry G. Schell, Vice President William F. Aguglia, Members Donald E. Mikec, M. Kimberly Steele, Bryan S. Kircher, and Eugene Borio. Attending were Chief of Police/Secretary Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Assistant Treasurer Cathy A. Mann, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller and Junior Council person Austin Babjak. Member Robert D. Schellhaas Jr., Mayor J.R. Henry and Assistant Secretary Patricia A. Rapp were absent.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on August 13, 2015 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding for \$ 137,459.53 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$ 79,471.65 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for liquid fuel expenditures for \$ 4,609.67 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment for building fund expenditures for \$ 20,141.76 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.

Reports from the Officers – Mayor’s Report – President Schell gave the Mayor’s report in his absence. Motor vehicle code violations for August totaled \$ 3,792.15. Chief of Police/Secretary Manager Report – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that the paving has been going on throughout the Borough and should be finished by Sept. 11 or Sept. 12. A developer wants to purchase the vacant property across from WVWA for \$1250.00. A motion was made to sell the property for \$1250.00 by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Solicitor Report – Mr. Witherel had none. Engineer Report – Mr. Zischkau reported that Allegheny Health department conducted an audit of the combined sewer systems and is confident that the Borough is in compliance. Bids were received for the replacement of Concrete Island and rehabilitation of parapet wall at Municipal Building. He will recommend under agenda. Fire Chief Report – Mark W. Scheller reported that they received the new aerial and it is in service. They are waiting for a few minor items to add. The Fire Department is having a gun a day raffle for the month of November and you can get tickets from any of the firemen.

Reports from the Committees – Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher read the report for August, with Wage Tax collection deposits for August totaling \$ 350.00 with West View receiving \$ 175.00. A total of \$74,024.77 was deposited into the General fund checking account by Keystone Collections. Our Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$ 159,033.98 as of August 31st and earned \$ 1.35 in interest. Our Building fund money market account had a balance of \$ 63,442.36 as of August 31st and earned \$.45 in interest. Our General fund money market account had a balance of \$ 600,323.87 as of August 31st and earned \$ 2.26 in interest. Real Estate tax collections in August totaled \$ 378,804.27. Local Service tax collections totaled \$ 10,068.31, with the West View receiving \$ 9,100.25. Business/Mercantile tax collections totaled \$ 9,500.45, with West View receiving \$ 4,770.23. Property and Purchasing Report –

Eugene Borio had no report. Public Works Report – Chief Fromlak read Mr. Schellhaas’s report in his absence. There were 25 work orders completed, the parking area on Center Avenue was re-slated, parking stall & crosswalks were painted and the yellow curbs were started, 15 tons of hot mix was used for patching potholes and the 2015 paving program was started. Police and Public Safety Report – Mr. Aguglia had no report. Budget/Administration Report – Mr. Kircher stated that a draft budget should be ready in 30-60 days. Fire and Water Report – Mr. Mikec reported that there were 35 fire calls this month with a total of 258 this year. Hours this month average 104.87 and for a total of 817.71 for the year. Public Relations & Recreation Report – Ms. Steele reported that the Crime Watch meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 2015 at 7:00 pm and it will be “Meet your local Police Officers”. Also the recreation committee is getting ready for the Annual Halloween Parade. Junior Council Member Report – Austin Babjak reported the NH Soccer fest will be held on 9/12, the Band Festival will be held on 9/19 at 7:00 pm, Homecoming will be on Friday 10/2 at the NH football game and the Homecoming dance will be held on 10/3. He would like to thank Council for having him as a member and as this is his last year, they are looking for someone to take his place.

Audience – President Barry G. Schell welcomed residents to address Council. Peggy Kramer from 6 Amherst is requesting that a stop sign be put up at Amherst & Lehigh to make this a four way stop. People are speeding through and it makes it dangerous. Chief Fromlak stated that they will look into this matter. Jim Barr from 200 Frankfort Avenue asked if the concrete island the Borough is going to fix is the Borough’s. Chief Fromlak stated yes. Mr. Barr asked how many sewer taps the Borough has for agenda item #2 and Mr. Zischkau reported that we have 66.

Unfinished Business – None

Agenda –

Item #1 – Council to consider Resolution #1427 authorizing entering into a loan agreement with Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank. Motion to read Resolution #1427 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion to consider Resolution #1427 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Item #2 – Council to consider Ordinance #1486 providing for sewer tapping fee for Highland planned residential development. Motion to read Ordinance #1486 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion to consider Ordinance #1486 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Items #3 – Council to consider the results of the September 8th Bid opening for the Perry Highway concrete island replacement. Mr. Zischkau recommended the low bidder of Joe Palmieri Construction in the amount of \$29,240.00. Motion to accept the bid of \$29,240.00 from Joe Palmieri Construction was made by Mr. Mikec and Seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.

Items #4 – Council to consider the results of the September 8th Bid opening for the Municipal Building Parapet Wall rehabilitation. Mr. Zischkau recommended the low bidder of Wilson Restoration in the amount of \$74,609.00. Motion to accept the bid of \$74,609.00 from Wilson Restoration was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.

With no further business to come before Council, President Schell thanked everyone for attending and requested a motion to Adjourn. Motion to Adjourn was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

APPROVED: Oct 8, 2015 BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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

BY: _____
President Barry G. Schell
Town Council