

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW - REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 7, 2013

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Thursday, February 7, 2013 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Schell, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Lieutenant Matthew Holland conducted roll call. Council Members present were: President Barry G. Schell, Vice President William F. Aguglia, Member John W. Koerts, Member Donald E. Mikec, Member M. Kimberly Steele, and Member Bryan S. Kircher. Also present were: J.R. Henry, Mayor, Lieutenant Matthew D. Holland, Asst. Sec. P. A. Rapp, Solicitor Fred E. Baxter, Robert E. Zischkau from Glenn Engineering and Fire Chief Mark W. Scheller. Police Chief Bruce Fromlak was absent.

President Schell requested a Motion to read Resolution #1394. *Ms. Steele made the Motion to read Resolution #1394, which was seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.* Lt. Holland read Resolution #1394, a Resolution appointing Robert D. Schellhaas as a Member of Town Council to fill the unexpired term of Mary C. Bernhard, who resigned January 10, 2013. *Motion to approve Resolution #1394 made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.* Mr. Schellhaas was met at the podium by Mayor Henry who administered the Oath of Office. Mr. Schellhaas was applauded and congratulated and took his seat on Council.

President Schell requested a Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on January 10, 2013. *Motion made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of general fund expenditures for net pay and payroll withholding for \$125,598.94 and payments to vendors for \$201,480.73 was made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of 2012 project fund – sewer for \$124,187.51 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of building fund expenditures for \$1,717.40 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment of liquid fuel fund expenditures for \$5,075.11 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.*

Reports from the Officers – Mayor's Report – Mayor J. R. Henry said the receipts for January's motor vehicle code violations totaled \$2,517.41. The Mayor thanked Officer Stern and the Police Dept. for the aggressive pursuit of removing abandoned vehicles and noted the report is within Council's packets. The Mayor informed everyone that himself, Ms. Steele, the Engineer and the Solicitor have had numerous meetings regarding the Borough's on-going sewer problems and mandates within Allegheny County and was happy to report all aspects of the consent decree compliances have been met by the Borough. The Mayor said the County is looking to spend 2 to 4 Million Dollars in repairs to sewer systems countywide within the next 10 years. Mayor said the Borough has made sewer repairs and is responsible for submitting preliminary plans to Alcosan for long term repair to sewers.

The Mayor said the Borough is the recipient of a grant that will be used to improve the 300 block of Center Avenue, located between Hawthorne and Norwich Avenues and the horseshoe bend at Perry Highway. The improvements would be a proposed use of the area becoming a "Green Park" that would reduce water run off into the sewer system by an estimated 250 thousand gallons per year. The Engineer was credited for his work on this project by the Mayor. Mayor would like Council to consider advertising a Workshop Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on March 14, 2013, prior to the regular meeting. The Workshop would be a way for the public to get an overview of the Green Park. The Mayor estimates the

Borough's initial cost for the Green Park Project to be \$12,000 toward a Million Dollar upgrade. The Mayor would like the public to be able to review the plans and specifications of the project and comment on the plans. The Mayor requested Council consider approving the Workshop meeting, with the regular meeting to immediately follow on Thursday, March 14, 2013.

Solicitor's Report – Fred E. Baxter – Mr. Baxter had no report.

Report from Glenn Engineering – Robert E. Zischkau – Mr. Zischkau referenced a grossly incorrect article that had run in the Post Gazette. The reporter's article misquoted and provided incorrect information regarding combined sewer systems and Mr. Zischkau had been informed that a tremendous amount of public outcry was generated due to this misinformation. Mr. Zischkau said, should anyone call into the Borough, the correct information should be given to the public to clarify the reporter's erroneous article.

Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Report – Lieutenant Matthew D. Holland – Lt. Holland said it is the intention of Duquesne Light to replace light poles throughout the Borough in 2013, beginning on the east side of the Borough.

Report from the Fire Chief – Mark W. Scheller – Chief Scheller reported on the upcoming training class scheduled for the next 4 Mondays. The firefighters will be County certified in rope rescue.

Committee Reports – Finance Report – Mr. Mikec read the finance report for January 2013 as follows: Wage Tax collection deposits for January totaled \$6,966.79, and \$88.00 was refunded to individuals and municipalities. The Borough's net proceeds were \$3,439.41 and this was deposited into the general fund checking account, along with \$43,324.29 from Keystone Collections. Our Capital Reserve - UDAG checking account had a balance of \$28,948.24 as of January 31<sup>st</sup>. Our Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$44,950.51 as of January 31<sup>st</sup>. Our Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$180,254.37 as of January 31<sup>st</sup> and earned \$15.31 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$399,015.62 as of January 31<sup>st</sup> and earned \$44.35 in interest. Real estate tax collections deposits totaled \$10,934.34 for January. Our Local Services collection deposits totaled \$2,902.71 for January. The Borough's net proceeds were \$1,451.36. Business and Mercantile collection deposits totaled \$25,908.11 for January. The Borough's net proceeds were \$12,954.06.

Property and Purchasing Report – John W. Koerts – Mr. Koerts requested Council consider approving the advertisement of the Public Works truck and Police cruiser under the Agenda.

Police and Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – Mr. Aguglia extended his thanks to our Police Dept. and to all the other Police Agencies and, to the Fireman who helped with the traffic, for their participation for Chief Fromlak's son. Mr. Aguglia said they did a tremendous job. Mr. Aguglia had no report for Budget / Administration Report.

Fire and Water Report – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec said the West View Volunteer Fire Department handled 27 incidents in January, expending 2 hours 3 minutes and 3 seconds in staff hours. Mr. Mikec extended his welcome to Rob as a Council Member and his thanks to Mary Kay for her service as his Public Relations report. Ms. Steele had nothing to report to Council for the Recreation Report.

Public Works Report – John W. Koerts – Mr. Koerts said the Road Crew used 250 tons of road salt and 138 man hours on snow removal from January 1 to February 6, 2013. The Crew has received the new

2013 Ford F350 pickup truck and has taken down all of the Christmas decorations in the Borough. Mayor Henry said, again this year, the Road Crew has done a fabulous job with clearing the roads and snow removal. The Mayor said residents get a false sense of security when they come out of their homes and see a wet roadway, then leave West View and realize all of the other municipality's roads are a nightmare. The Mayor extended special thanks to the Members of the Road Crew from himself and Council on the special job they do, along with the long, long hours they work to clear the roads.

President Schell asked the Audience to address Council and there were no participants. There was no unfinished business or new business and Mr. Schell moved onto addressing the Agenda. Item #1 had been previously addressed and Council considered Item #2, which was Resolution #1395. *Motion to read title only of Resolution #1395 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Koerts. Motion approved and ordered.* Lt. Holland read the title of Resolution #1395, which is a lease purchase agreement for the purpose of procuring "cameras for police vehicles", authorized by Council in December 2012. *Motion to approve Resolution #1395 made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.*

Agenda item #3 – Council to consider the public workshop. *Motion to approve the advertisement for the public workshop meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 2013, with the regular meeting to immediately follow made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher.* The Mayor added the Police would be hand delivering notices to homes along Center between Hawthorne and Perry Highway. With no further discussion, *Motion approved and ordered.* Agenda item #4 – Council to consider authorizing Robert Zischkau from Glenn Engineering to begin the 2013 Borough paving bid procedures for advertising and subsequent bid consideration. *Motion to approve the authorization made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* Agenda item #5 – Council to consider approving the advertisement for future bid acceptance for the "as is" sale of both the Public Work's 2000 Ford F-350 4wd Super Duty ¾ Ton Pickup Truck and the Police Cruiser #62, which is the 2007 Ford Crown Victoria. *Motion to approve the advertisement made by Mr. Koerts and seconded by Mr. Aguglia.* Solicitor Baxter amended the Motion to include the sales are to be to the highest bidders. With no further discussion, *Motion approved and ordered.*

Announcements – There were no announcements.

Adjournment – Mayor Henry requested Council consider closing the meeting in honor of the Memory of Jeff Fromlak. President Schell requested a Motion to adjourn. *Motion made by Mr. Aguglia was seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.*

The Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

APPROVED: MARCH 14, 2013

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barry G. Schell  
President of Town Council