BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – JANUARY 3, 2022

Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of West View held Monday, January 3, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The meeting was called to order by Mayor J. R. Henry at 6:00 p.m., followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Chief Bruce A. Fromlak conducted roll call. Members of Council present were: President M. Kimberly Steele, Vice President Bryan Kircher, member William F. Aguglia, Member Scott Miller (via phone), Member Donald Mikec and Member Robert Schellhaas. Also, in attendance were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Cathy A. Mann, Public Work Coordinator Richard T. Rapp and Junior Council Member Abrianna Bensch.

Mr. Fromlak read the official notice announcing tonight's meeting that ran in the paper on December 16, 2021. Mr. Aguglia, Mr. Schellhaas, Mr. Kircher and Mrs. Schwarzmeier took the Oath of Office as Fouryear Members of Council. The Members took their seats, being applauded by all.

Mayor Henry requested motions for nominations for President of Council. William F. Aguglia was nominated by Ms. Steele. With no further nominations, Motion was approved and ordered, with the Secretary to cast the vote – Mr. Aguglia was appointed President of Town Council. Mayor Henry requested motions for nominations for Vice President of Council. Bryan Kircher was nominated by Mr. Aguglia. With no further nominations, Motion was approved and ordered, with the Secretary to cast the vote – Mr. Kircher was appointed Vice President of Town Council. Mayor Henry turned the weeting over to President Aguglia. President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Bruce A. Fromlak was nominated by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. With no further nomination, Motion approved and ordered. Mr. Bruce A. Fromlak was appointed Secretary/Treasurer. President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Open Records Officer. Motion to appoint Bruce A. Fromlak was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Assistant Open Records Officer. *Motion to appoint Barb O'Lare was made by Mr. Kircher and secondee by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The President entertained a motion that all offices of the Borough, with the exception of the Secretary/Manager Civil Service Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, Recreation Board, Planning Commission and members of the police force be declared vacant, with *the motion being made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved by Council.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Solicitor. *Motion to appoint Michael Witherel was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Borough manager. *Motion to appoint Bruce A. Fromlak was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Chief of Police. *Motion to appoint Bruce A. Fromlak was made by Ms. Steele and Seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Mercantile, Business Privilege collector. *Motion* to appoint North Hills School district was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

President Steele requested motion for nominations for Local Service Tax Collector. *Motion to appoint Keystone Collections was made by Ms. Steele and Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. *Motion to appoint Cathy A. Mann was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Earned Income Tax Collector. *Motion to appoint Keystone Collections was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Delinquent Earned Income Tax Collector. *Motion to appoint Keystone Collections was made by M. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Coordinator of Public Work. *Motion to appoint Richard T. Rapp was made by M. Steele and seconded by M. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Code Enforcement Officer. *Motion to appoint Richard T. Rapp was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Building inspector. *Motion to appoint International Code Consultants LLC, David Buskirk was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Municipal Lien Inspector/Pesticide Applicator. *Motion to appoint Rich Rapp was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Depository for years 2022 and 2023. *Motion to appoint First National Bank was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions for nominations for Legal Advertising Newspaper. *Motion to appoint Pittsburgh Post-Gazette North was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

President Aguglia requested motions that the Secretary/Treasurer/Manager, Solicitor and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer be bonded for \$200,000.00. *Motion was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

The meeting ended at 6:11 p.m. and the Regular Meeting Commenced.

APPROVED: February 9, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY:

Cathy A. Mann Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 03, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Monday, January 03, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting began at 6:11 pm following the Reorganizational Meeting of Council.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report – J.R. Henry, Mayor – Mayor Henry reported that the total motor vehicle code violation receipts for the month of December totaled \$2,803.24.

Chief of Police/Manager's report – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak thanked Ms. Steele for her service over the past 2 years as President and congratulated President Aguglia as the new President. Chief Fromlak reported that for the year 2021 there were 3934 police calls, 70 arrests, 496 citations issued. Chief Fromlak reported that 2021 fared well economically. Our S&P global rating is AA minus. Chief Fromlak thanked Ms. Mann, Ms. O'Lare, Mr. Rapp and Lt. Holland for their hard work in being financially responsible to the Borough's budgetary needs. In our continued commitment to the environment, we purchased a highbred police vehicle and 30 LED Street lights. The lights will be replaced on the following streets Ann Arbor, Amherst, Fordham, Georgetown, Stanford, Dartmouth, Yale, Vassar, Harvard, Chalfonte and Mineola.

Solicitor's report – Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel was absent.

Engineer's report – John Balewski – Mr. Balewski was absent.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher – Mr. Kircher reported that Wage Tax Collections for December were \$112,257.26 and was deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$70,992.14 as of December 31st and earned \$15.01 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,503.46 as of December 31st and earned \$2.15 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,370.49 as of December 31st and earned \$.92 in interest. Real Estate collections for December were \$15,093.28. Local Service tax collections for November totaled \$10,098.38. Business/Mercantile tax collections for November totaled \$22,612.59.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas – Mr. Schellhaas reported that there were 151 work orders, Christmas decorations installed, snow removal equipment installed on trucks and the solar speed sign was installed on Center Avenue @ Brightwood Avenue. Mr. Schellhaas reported that there were 1512 work orders received and completed in 2021.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – Mr. Aguglia had no report.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher – Mr. Kircher had no report.

Fire & Water – Donald E. Mikec – Mr. Mikec had no report.

Public Relations & Recreation – Donald Mikec – Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military and Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller – Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard T. Rapp - Mr. Rapp reported that there were 1512 work orders completed in 2021, the solar sign was installed on Center Avenue @ Brightwood Avenue and the curb project is still ongoing, hopefully being complete this week.

Junior Council – Abrianna Bensch reported that the students will return to school on Tuesday, January 4th.

AUDIENCE

There was no audience participation.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on December 9, 2021 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$274,381.06 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$134,821.51 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,030.50 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$4,517.94 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished Business.

New Business – The monthly Council meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of the month starting at 6:00 pm for 2022.

AGENDA

There was no Agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Aguglia dedicated the meeting to Joe Wiesner who passed away in December. Joe was a longtime associate that the Borough did business with.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before Council, Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Approved: February 09, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Cathy A. Mann Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – February 09, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, February 9, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, and Scott Miller (via phone). Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Administrative Assistant Andrew Bensch, Solicitor Michael Witherel, Engineer John Balewski and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: Vice-President Bryan S. Kircher

President Aguglia announced the new committee chairs. Finance is Mr. Kircher, Property & Purchasing is yet to be determined, Public Works is Mr. Kircher, Police & Public Safety is Mr. Aguglia, Budget/Administration is Mr. Kircher, Fire & Water is Mr. Mikec, Public Relations & Recreation is Mr. Mikec, and Military & Veterans Affairs is Mr. Miller.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry recognized George Guenther's 28 years of service in Public Works and wished him well in retirement. Mr. Guenther arrived late to the meeting. Mayor Henry presented him with an award honoring his years of service. Mr. Guenther was congratulated and applauded.

Mayor Henry also recognized Ms. Steele for her term as president of council and presented her with a plague honoring her service.

Mayor Henry swore in Part Time Police Officer Michael Karski. Officer Karski was congratulated and applauded.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak- Chief Fromlak reported that there were 342 calls for service, 81 traffic citations, 127 traffic enforcement reports, 3 criminal arrests, 10 accident reports, and 4 ordinance violations.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel - Mr. Witherel noted that Resolution #1526 being voted on tonight would execute the consent order agreement with the PA Department of Environmental Protection which will finally open up taps in the Borough, including for the car wash going in at the old Wendy's. Once council signs this resolution and the Water Authority signs it next week the taps will be opened.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the Borough has opened 3 new paving projects. 2 of those are for NHCOG and Youngblood Paving was the lowest bidder on both of those. Mr. Balewski recommended the approval of these paving projects. He noted that the bid for the 2022 Street Paving program is not a huge increase from last year. Mr. Balewski also discussed upcoming combined sewer and separate sanitary sewer projects that will be happening over the next 2 years. The separate sanitary sewer project will be happening in the Hidden Valley/Cross Creek section of the Borough which has enough houses to be considered separate. This order has been negotiated over the past 2 and a half years. Mayor Henry thanked Mr. Balewski for his summary and stated that in order to implement these changes the Borough is looking to reduce the flow of stormwater. The Borough plans to do this by

alleviating stormwater runoff on Vassar Ave, which may require some of the residents to remove their downspouts. This will be a significant part of the Borough's compliance. The Borough is at 81-83% and wants to bring it up to 85%. Mr. Balewski said that addressing the order requirements will help the Borough do this.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher- Mr. Kircher was absent, Miss Bensch reported that Wage tax deposits totaled \$40,406.62 in January and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$58,786.29 as of January 31st and earned \$6.58 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,505.61 as of January 31st and earned \$5.26 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,371.41 as of January 31st and earned \$.92 in interest. Real Estate collections for January were \$6,325.09. Local Service tax collections for December totaled \$0.00 and Business/Mercantile for October totaled \$1,318.21.

Public Works - Robert D. Schellhaas- Mr. Schellhaas reported that there were 170 work orders received and completed, 5 property maintenance letters sent out, 172 Christmas trees collected, and 950 tons of salt were used for clearing roads.

Police & Public Safety - William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia had no report.

Budget/Administration - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent.

Fire & Water - Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Public Relations & Recreation - Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs - Scott Miller - Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator - Richard Rapp - Mr. Rapp reported that 172 Christmas trees were collected and are stockpiled on Frankfort Ave. Public Works plans to chip them and use them for mulch. Mr. Rapp reported that the pothole hotline on the website is working well and is saving Public Works time.

Junior Council - Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that North Hills Middle School teacher Joe Welch was named one of four finalists for National Teacher of the Year. North Hills Jazz Band is hosting Mardi Gras at the North Hills High School on Saturday, February 19th. North Hills Middle School presented its winter musical "Moana Jr." last weekend from February 3rd to February 5th.

AUDIENCE

There was no audience participation.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the reorganization meeting of Town Council on January 3, 2022 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on January 3, 2022 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$179,645.55 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$485,324.63 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,031.65 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$3,992.91 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – Mayor Henry forgot to give his motor vehicle code violations report earlier in the meeting. Mayor Henry reported that the total receipts for motor vehicle code violations in the month of January totaled \$2,324.54.

Chief Fromlak also recognized Cathy Mann for her 26 years of service with the Borough and wished her well in retirement.

Mr. Bensch is taking the minutes for tonight's meeting.

Over 50 applications were received for the position. Ms. Steele and Mr. Kircher assisted Chief Fromlak in going through the applications. 6 interviews were conducted. Hailey Kelly was hired as the new Administrative & Accounting Assistant and will start at the Borough on February 28th.

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider an appointment to Borough Council due to a vacancy on Borough Council. Ms. Steele stated that Matt Gajtka was duly elected to Council in November but failed to qualify for the office as failed to provide the mandatory affidavit of residency within 10 days of the January 2022 reorganizational meeting. When she had not been contacted by Mr. Gajtka, Ms. Steele called Mr. Gajtka and that is when he informed her that he had moved out of the Borough of West View to another state.

Motion to declare the Council seat of Matt Gajtka vacant was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to appoint Eugene Borio to fulfill the vacant seat on Council was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Mayor Henry administered the oath of office to Mr. Eugene Borio.

Council to consider Resolution #1526 (A resolution authorizing President Aguglia and Chief Fromlak to execute the Consent Order and Agreement from PA Department of Environmental Protection and the Borough). *Motion to approve Resolution #1526 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider Bid for the Street Paving program 2022. (A. Folino was the lowest bidder at \$220,514.70 bid opening February 7th at 3:00 pm). *Motion to accept the bid from A. Folino was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider CD yr. 47 Grant Resurfacing of Oakwood Ave between Center Ave and Fenton Alley (Youngblood Paving was the lowest bidder at \$43,379.23 with NHCOG share of paving is \$21,721.00. Borough's share of paving is \$21,658.23). *Motion to accept the bid from Youngblood Paving was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider CD yr. 47 Grant Resurfacing of Princeton Ave from Center Ave to Bronx Ave (Youngblood Paving was the lowest bidder at \$46,770.05 with NHCOG share of paving is \$21,721.00. Borough's share of paving is \$25,049.00). *Motion to accept the bid from Youngblood Paving was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Approved: March 9, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Andrew Bensch

Administrative Assistant

REGULAR MEETING – March 09, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, March 9, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice-President Bryan S. Kircher, Members Donald E. Mikec and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, and Scott Miller

President Aguglia introduced Lydia Morin, Executive Director of CONNECT (Congress of Neighboring Communities) based at the University of Pittsburgh. Ms. Morin approached the podium and thanked council for the invitation. She stated that Chief Fromlak and Mayor Henry were already representatives of CONNECT and that West View has room for one more representative. Mayor Henry has explored some great opportunities related to EMS in CONNECT. CONNECT has 3 working groups that meet regularly, Public Safety & Health, Environmental/Economic Development, and Infrastructure & Utilities. She elaborated on the Infrastructure & Utilities working group. The group facilitates collaboration between municipalities for major infrastructure projects and explores how they can access large sums of funds for projects such as climate action plans, flooding, air quality, and traffic control. Mayor Henry thanked Ms. Morin for her work with CONNECT and said the Borough looks forward to working with them. Municipalities cannot solve all their problems independently and CONNECT fosters intergovernmental cooperation that is amenable to the Borough.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of February totaled \$17,050.73.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak- Chief Fromlak reported that there were 309 calls for service, 28 traffic citations, 88 traffic enforcement reports, 7 criminal arrests, 8 accident reports, and 11 ordinance violations. A speed sign was posted at 32 Township Rd eastbound between February 23rd and March 2nd and in that timeframe there were a total of 17,085 cars that traveled that road with the average speed in a posted 25 zone being 14.1 miles per hour. Chief Fromlak introduced Ms. Kelly and said she is on the agenda to be considered as the Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer of the Borough due to Cathy Mann's retirement. There were over 50 applicants and 6 interviews were conducted. Ms. Kelly is a North Hills graduate, a resident of Allison Park, and has an extensive background in finance and business management.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski had no report.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax deposits totaled \$35,200.00 in February and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$8,791.08 as of February 28th and earned \$4.79 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,507.56 as of February 28th and earned \$1.96 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,372.24 as of February 28th and earned \$.83 in interest. Real Estate collections for February were \$4,636.01. Local Service tax collections for February totaled \$1,198.53 and Business/Mercantile collections for January totaled \$6,859.17.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas was absent, Mr. Rapp reported that 144 work orders were received and completed. The Christmas trees were chipped and mulched and will be available for residents to use. 10 letters were posted on private property for snow removal. At the end of the month Public Works will pick up compost and bring it back for residents to use in their flower beds and gardens. It will be on Center Avenue.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia reported that all West View Police Officers received a new ballistic vest in 2022. These vests should last for 5 years. Also, West View Police took in and destroyed approximately 250 pounds of unused medication from the Drug Takeback Box located in the lobby of the Borough Building.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher had no report.

Fire & Water – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller was absent.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp had nothing else to report.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that as of February 27, 2022, masks are now optional in North Hills School District. Today, the boys' varsity basketball team will take on State College in the first round of the PIAA Boys' Basketball Championship. The North Hills Drama Club is hosting its annual spring musical production "Once Upon a Mattress" on Friday-Saturday, March 18th and 19th and March 25th and 26th at 7:30pm in the high school auditorium.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked what the difference between new business and an agenda item was. Mr. Aguglia replied that new business is anything in the Borough that comes up for discussion, and an agenda item is something that requires formal action by Council. Mr. Barr asked when the meeting day changed. Mayor Henry replied that it was voted on at the Reorganizational Meeting in January. Mr. Barr brought up that the national crime rate has increased and wondered if West View's crime rate also increased. Chief Fromlak replied that it has not increased. Mr. Barr stated that he received an ordinance violation and asked if all ordinance violations involve property ordinances. Chief Fromlak replied that not all ordinance violations are necessarily property-related. Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on February 9, 2022 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$183,099.68 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$320,712.72 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$62,627.51 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$3,011.98 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider appointing Haylie Kelly as the Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

Motion to appoint Haylie Kelly was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.

Approved: April 13, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY:

Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – April 13, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, April 13, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Members Donald E. Mikec, Eugene Borio, Scott V. Miller, and M. Kimberly Steele. Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: Vice-President Bryan Kircher and Robert Schellhaas

Mayor Henry swore in Robert Assisi in as a Fire Police Officer. Council congratulated Mr. Assisi.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of March totaled \$3,751.43.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 321 calls for service, 37 traffic citations, 103 traffic enforcement reports, 5 criminal arrests, 14 accident reports, and 5 ordinance violations. A speed sign was posted at the 100 block of Hidden Valley Dr westbound between March 23rd and April 6th and in that timeframe, there were a total of 3,221 cars that traveled that road with the average speed being 14 miles per hour in a posted 25 zone. Another speed sign was posted on Center Avenue near Center Avenue slice in the month of March. In that timeframe, 18,372 vehicles traveled that road with an average speed of 19.8 miles per hour in a post 25 zone. Another speed sign was installed last week on Highland Ave near Bronx Ave with its data forthcoming. The Borough received MRM dividend checks last week for the refund of the Property and Liability Trust in the amount of \$7,866.94 and the MRM Workers Comp Poole Trust in the amount of \$63,567.63. The Street Sweeping program will be starting up again beginning April 22nd. Our auditors have completed our yearly audit and their report will be available at next month's council meeting. Community Clean-Up is Saturday, April 23rd with the staging area in the rear parking lot of the VFW. There will also be three dumpsters located next to the Borough Building for residents to use. Tires or electronics are not accepted. Chief concluded by congratulating Council for being awarded the Banner Community designation from the ALOM for the 10th straight year. The award recognizes municipalities and authorities that distinguish themselves as model communities through their commitment to sustainable practices including professional development, intergovernmental cooperation, sound fiscal management, and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders. Last year's program had 76 communities earning that designation.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski updated Council on the Streetscape Phase 3 project. The project will be out to bid tomorrow and open for 3 weeks. It will be ready for construction by June. Mr. Balewski also updated Council on the ongoing sewer projects. A sewer project on Tomoka Ave will be ready for bid in May and completed in the summer.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent, Mr. Miller reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$126,198.33 for March and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,119.31 as of March 31st and earned \$0.59 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,509.71 as of March 31st and earned \$2.15 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,373.16 as of March 31st and earned \$0.92 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for March were \$0.00. Local Service tax collections for March totaled \$11,226.88 and Business/Mercantile collections for February totaled \$13,017.56.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas was absent, Mr. Rapp reported that 142 work orders were received and completed. Powell Park French drain was installed. 15 loads of compost were hauled from the NHCOG and placed on Center Ave. The spring equipment is being readied for the upcoming season.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia had no report.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher had no report.

Fire & Water – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller was absent.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp had nothing else to report.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that the North Hills Wind Ensemble performed at the PMEA All-State Music Convention last Friday, April 8th. The North Hills Marching Band, Choir, and Orchestra left for Disney this past Sunday, April 10th for their annual Spring Tour. NHThon is set for Saturday, April 23rd from 5pm to 10pm at Martorelli Stadium. Community Thon takes place that morning from 11am to 2pm and has free admission. Proceeds from these events will be donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Foundation.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked about the sewer projects that were taking place in the Borough. Rich Rapp replied that so far 6 sewers have been fixed. Public Works is currently working at Oakwood Ave at Center Ave and Center Ave at Ashford Ave, and one at 57 Oakwood Ave was completed. Mr. Barr also expressed concern about a dead dog that was on Route 28 and asked if West View would pick up roadkill. Chief Fromlak replied that West View does take care of roadkill.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on March 9, 2022 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$185,415.25 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$395,923.68 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$43.01 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$5,981.61 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – Chief Fromlak reported that Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh will be collecting hygiene kits for Ukraine. County Executive Rich Fitzgerald and Pittsburgh Mayor Ed Gainey are leading this effort to provide aid to the people of Ukraine. There is a list of supplies they are looking for if anyone is interested in putting a hygiene kit together. Kits can be dropped off at the Borough Building between April 18th and April 29th where they will be picked up by the Brother's Brother Foundation and delivered to Ukraine. More information about this collection can be found on West View's website.

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider appointing Daniel Huebner to pesticide applicator due to a vacancy with George Guenther's retirement.

Motion to appoint Daniel Huebner was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia wished everyone in attendance a happy Easter. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:17pm.

Approved: May 11, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____

Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – May 11, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, May 11, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Scott V. Miller, and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: Vice-President Bryan Kircher and Donald E. Mikec

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of April totaled \$5,187.82. Mayor Henry also mentioned that he and Chief Fromlak recently attended a planning workshop for the CONNECT organization, an organization comprised of 39 municipalities that are working on large regional problems.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 400 calls for service, 37 traffic citations, 121 traffic enforcement reports, 5 criminal arrests, 11 accident reports, 29 ordinance violations, and 23 abandoned vehicles removed. A speed sign was posted on Highland Ave between Columbia Ave and Bronx Ave. Between April 15th and April 19th, there were a total of 58,685 that traveled that route with an average speed of 28.6 miles per hour. Also, the Borough established a no left turn from Bronx Ave onto Highland Ave. Between April 15th and May 6th, the police department has been posted there for a total of 36 hours, with 166 vehicles observed during that time frame and 10 violations. On Thursday, May 26th at 5pm, there will be a Streetscape Master Plan Concepts meeting hosted by Downtown Redevelopment regarding the next phase of the Business District improvements. The West View Borough Volunteer Fire Department has consolidated the three companies, #1, #2, and #3, into one fire department. The three fire companies were first established in January 1906 and have been providing lifesaving services to the Borough for over 100 years. This merger took effect on April 18th, 2022 and will allow them to be more efficient and effective during emergency and nonemergency situations alike. It will also allow them to apply for additional grant funding from the state as a result of the consolidation. Residents should be aware that this consolidation will not affect the delivery of services, but will only enhance them. West View Volunteer Fire Department has also become a certified Quick Response Service (QRS) fire department. This means they have members that are certified in first aid training who can be dispatched before an ambulance arrives and render first aid. Currently, there are 5 firefighters who are certified and 7 additional firefighters began training this past Monday. Chief also recognized our Code Enforcement Officer Rich Rapp who was recently in court for an appeal when a medical emergency occurred in the courtroom. Mr. Rapp was able to use his first responder training and rendered aid to the individual. Chief thanked Mr. Rapp for his urgent response to the situation.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski updated Council on the CDBG paving project that recently occurred on Princeton Ave and Oakwood Ave. The next part of the project will start in mid-June. Mr.

Balewski also stated bids have been opened for the Streetscape Phase 3 project to install lights that the Borough purchased. The Borough received 3 bids. The lowest bid was \$175,922 from Allegheny City Electric who did the first phase of the project in the winter. Mr. Balewski recommending awarding the contract to Allegheny City Electric.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent, Mr. Miller reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$41,369.95 for April and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,168.84 as of April 30th and earned \$49.53 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,515.14 as of April 30th and earned \$5.43 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,375.49 as of April 30th and earned \$2.33 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for April were \$0.00. Local Service tax collections for April totaled \$826.88 and Business/Mercantile collections for March totaled \$3,300.98.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 115 work orders were received and completed in the month of April. Schell Field has been readied for the upcoming season. A solar sign was erected on Highland Ave. This year's Spring Clean-Up had an attendance of 50 participants.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia reported that the West View Police would be participating in pedestrian enforcement detail on May 17th from 12pm to 3pm. Officers will be monitoring several crosswalks within the Borough. Mr. Aguglia also read a letter from the Allegheny County Northern Regional Police Department addressed to Chief Fromlak. The letter stated that this year, the North Hills SRT has begun its succession plan as many of its senior members will be retiring in the next few years. Between January and April 2022, they have been coordinating training. The letter commended team member Officer Stern for his help during this process. Officer Stern has assisted with firearms training, explosive breaching training, and driving training. Officer Stern was in attendance. Council asked him to stand and they applauded him. Mr. Aguglia personally thanked Officer Stern, Chief Fromlak, and the West View Police for all that they do for the community.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent.

Fire & Water – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec was absent, Mr. Borio reported that all station apparatus and stations are in good working order.

Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec was absent.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller reported that all military banners will be put up over the next few weeks in time for the Memorial Day Parade which will held on Monday, May 30th at 10am.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp added to Mr. Miller's statement saying that military banners will be put up next week. There was an issue with the Public Works' bucket truck which is why they haven't been put up yet. They have borrowed a bucket truck from someone in the Borough to use while the Public Works' truck is being repaired.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that the North Hills Drama Club's production of "Once Upon A Mattress" has been nominated for 8 Gene Kelly Awards. North Hills Prom takes place this Saturday, May 14th. The last day of school for North Hills is Thursday, June 2nd. Graduation is on Friday, June 3rd.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked about whether the dumpsters were put out on Earth Day and where they were located. Chief Fromlak replied that the dumpsters were in the Borough parking lot from Thursday, April 21st to Tuesday, April 26th. Mr. Barr asked where the compost on Center Avenue came from. Mr. Rapp replied that it came from a joint NHCOG compost pile in North Park. Mr. Barr asked where the three fire departments will be located after the merger. Chief Fromlak replied that they were considering keeping it at Fire Company #3 but are considering all options. Mr. Barr asked about Agenda Item #4. Mayor Henry said he would address his question later in the meeting. Mr. Barr asked about the paving on Princeton Ave and Oakwood Ave. He questioned whether the paving was necessary. Mr. Rapp replied that it was because it was last paved 20 years ago.

Cheryl Arcuri of 808 West View Park Drive (West View Towers) addressed Council and asked what happened to the shuttle services that used to go to West View Towers and take residents to local shopping centers. Chief Fromlak replied that many years ago, there used to be a trolley bus that the Borough operated, but it became too costly. The Borough subcontracted it out to a transportation company that provided a school bus. However, in 2015, they ended the program due to a lack of participation. Ms. Arcuri asked if it was possible for that program to start back up again. Chief Fromlak replied that it is something Council could consider. Mayor Henry added that the original program started because the Borough received a grant from the state to do it so long as the Borough provided the labor. The grant funds eventually dried up, the bus driver retired, and participation waned, so the program was ended. Mayor Henry stated that it is something Council could look at for the budget next year. He also suggested that Ms. Arcuri talk with other residents and see if the Borough could help provide transportation to a single event. Ms. Arcuri mentioned that another senior center in Ross Township has a weekly bus program, to which Mayor Henry replied that Chief Fromlak could look into it and see if West View could piggyback off that program.

Becky Webber of 112 Princeton Avenue addressed Council and reminded everyone that Tuesday is the Primary Election and stated that because it is a primary, the poll workers will know your party affiliation and did not want any workers getting accosted. Ms. Webber also stated that people are looking to spend money in the Borough and suggested that West View hold a vendor/farmers' market at Schell Field once or twice a month. Mayor Henry asked Chief Fromlak when was the last time West View had a farmers' market. Chief Fromlak replied that it was a few years ago and they have since moved further up Perry Highway. Mayor Henry asked Ms. Webber for clarification on her comments about the poll workers being accosted. Ms. Webber stated she is the Judge of Elections at West View Towers and that sometimes people get aggressive when the poll workers know what party they are registered under. Mayor Henry agreed with her sentiments and said that he does not think there have been issues in West View. He thanked her and the poll workers for the work they do and stated that if there was ever an issue the West View Police would assist. Mayor Henry also addressed her comments on a farmers' market and stated that often times West View is not the coordinator of these events but is just supporting them. He recommended she talk to Beth Schellhaas.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on April 13, 2022 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$185,644.37 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$395,942.09 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,105.28 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$1,334.40 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider proclamation regarding Emergency Medical Services Week.

Mayor Henry stated that each year, EMS is celebrated in a week recognized nationally, and West View has one of the best EMS services in the country. On behalf of the Town Council, we want to issue a mayoral proclamation designating the week of May 15th through May 21st as Ross/West View Emergency Medical Services Week.

Motion to proclaim Emergency Medical Services Week was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Council to consider Resolution #1527 (A Resolution authorizing the execution of the addendum to the agreement of Management by and between the Borough of West View and the Municipal Authority of the Borough of West View).

Mayor Henry commented on the resolution stating that it was recommended by the auditors to allow the Borough to properly use funds from the wastewater department.

Motion to approve Resolution #1527 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Council to consider accepting the lowest responsible bid for the installation of 20 decorative light poles as part of the Perry Highway Streetscape 2021-CITF-004 phase three project. Funding for this is from the Allegheny County Community Infrastructure and Tourism Fund (CITF).

Chief Fromlak read the 3 bids. The lowest bid was from Allegheny City Electric at \$175,922.00. The second lowest bid was from Alpine Allegheny at \$224,536.50. The third lowest bid was Ronder Technical Systems at \$279,899.95.

Motion to accept the lowest responsible bid was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Information subject matter regarding a 6.6-million-dollar grant that the West View Water Authority received from PENNVEST that will enable them to address lead service line replacement at no charge to the resident.

Mayor Henry elaborated on the lead line replacement project, stating that the grant will allow the West View Water Authority to replace lead lines from the main line all the way into your house. If you have a

lead service line, the Water Authority contacted you and sent an agreement that you had to sign in order to participate in the program. The program is still open for new participants. If you believe you have a lead service line, you can contact West View Water Authority and they will inform you of your eligibility.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – June 8, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, June 8, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael Witherel, and Engineer John Balewski. Absent were: Vice-President Bryan Kircher and Scott Miller

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of April totaled \$2,428.19.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 311 calls for service, 76 traffic citations, 123 traffic enforcement reports, 4 criminal arrests, 4 accident incidents, and 3 ordinance violations. A speed sign was posted on the southbound lane of Lansing Ave. Between May 16th and May 30th, there were a total of 11,405 that traveled that route with an average speed of 16.69 miles per hour in a posted 25 miles per hour posted zone. Chief Fromlak also commented that the Streetscape Project is moving along and they are waiting for the green light to begin the installation of the last 20 lights in the Business District.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report for the public meeting, however he noted that there is litigation that he and Chief Fromlak have discussed but it is not appropriate for comment in a public meeting.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the paving program will start in the next few weeks. Mr. Balewski and Mr. Rapp recently went and looked at a flooding issue on Norwich Avenue that is a result of the separation project done a few years that created more water on the streets. He said the problem can be solved with a few hundred feet of storm sewer to keep the water from jumping the curb and flooding property. This project should be ready for bid in the next month and should cost less than \$100,000. Public Works has temporarily put sandbags on Norwich Avenue to stem the flow of the water until the project is completed. Mayor Henry asked if this project would be paid for with Borough funds or wastewater funds, to which Mr. Balewski said it would be paid for with wastewater funds since the problem was created due to the removal of downspouts which is tied to the sanitary system. Mayor Henry also asked if a list of the streets to be paved was posted on the website. Chief Fromlak replied that it was not yet but could be posted on the website tomorrow.

Before beginning the reports from the committees, President Aguglia introduced Greg Porter from Ross/West View EMSA and invited him to address council. Mr. Porter stated that he will be the new Executive Director of Ross/West View EMSA effective July 1st due to Bryan Kircher's retirement. He was originally hired to Ross/West View EMSA by Mayor Henry 26 years ago. Mr. Porter went on to say that

West View is the best-served community by Ross/West View EMSA. West View is the second busiest community with an average of 900 calls a year. Response calls to West View are the best of the 5 communities they serve, averaging about 6 minutes. Mr. Porter announced his intention to share data and pertinent information with Council each month. This includes things that are specifically impactful to West View. Mr. Porter also introduced David Barkovich who is the new president of the Ross/West View EMSA board. Mr. Barkovich replied that Mr. Porter has the full support of the board. Mr. Porter expressed his desire to reconvene the Municipal Funding Committee and get Manager Fromlak and 2 representatives from West View Council on this committee. Mr. Porter also said he wants to come back in around budget time and introduce a proposal to get some assistance with their new rescue truck. The rescue truck was ordered in April and it has a 1-and-a-half-year build time. The current rescue truck is 21 years old and has about 100,000 miles on it which is a considerable amount of mileage for a vehicle like that. The replacement for that vehicle is \$960,000. Mayor Henry gave Mr. Porter his full support. Mayor Henry asked if Mr. Porter could reprint and redistribute his presentation because there was some really good information in his presentation that should be accessible. Mayor Henry also noted that there are only 3 services in Allegheny County that provide medically directed rescue services and recognized the importance of these services. Mayor Henry stated that helping fund this new rescue truck would be worth it in the long run because Ross/West View EMSA provides great services to the Borough. Mr. Porter elaborated on Mayor Henry's statement saying that the reason there are only 3 medically directed rescue services in Allegheny County is because Ross/West View EMSA only generates revenue from transporting people to the hospital, so any other services they provide is a cost to them. Mr. Porter also said that coming out of 2020, Ross/West View EMSA found ways to be creative and re-engage training and public education. Ross/West View EMSA offered 63 classes in excess of 160 hours per individual EMT and paramedic which is about 10 times higher than the average in Allegheny County. In 2021, they trained over 1,000 members of the public in first aid, CPR, and bleeding control. Council congratulated Mr. Porter on his appointment.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent, Ms. Steele reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$106,875.63 for May and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,261.34 as of May 31st and earned \$92.50 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,525.27 as of May 31st and earned \$10.13 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,379.84 as of May 31st and earned \$4.35 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for May totaled \$0.00. Local Service tax collections for April totaled \$10,456.52 and Business/Mercantile collections for April totaled \$12,665.73.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 111 work orders were received and completed in the month of May. The street sweeping program has started. Oakwood Avenue and Princeton Avenue were paved with COG grant money. Military banners were installed throughout the Borough.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia reported that Lt. Holland and Detective Ganster attended the weeklong FBI "Supervision Leadership" class from May 16th to May 20th. This class is part of a trilogy that includes "Supervision," "Command," and "Executive." Lt. Holland and Detective Ganster will be attending the next two classes, "Command" and "Executive" by the end of 2022.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec reported that the West View Volunteer Fire Department responded to 47 calls in the month of May. All stations and apparatus are reported in good working order. As part of his Public Relations & Recreation report, Mr. Mikec also reported that on Friday, May 20th the Fire Department held a Drag Queen Bingo at the Fireman's Banquet Hall. The event was a big success and they plan on holding another one in September.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller was absent.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp added to Mr. Balewski's report and stated that 20 streets are going to be paved this year. Mr. Rapp also stated that Public Works is going to clean half of the Borough's catch basins this year in order to keep flooding low.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch was absent.

AUDIENCE

Joe Day from ALCOSAN addressed Council and informed them that there are many programs that they would like to see more municipalities take advantage of. Mr. Day mentioned the Clean Water Assistance Fund and said that 9 West View residents currently take part in that fund and they would like to see more residents take advantage of the program. There are also programs such as the Pups for Clean Water program which provides dog waste stations to municipalities for free. Mr. Day said he would provide Chief Fromlak with the information and wants to be of assistance to the Borough.

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked about the Norwich Avenue flooding and whether a different agency was responsible for the flooding. Mr. Balewski replied that it was not a different agency. The Borough was responsible for the separation project that made people who had downspouts going into the sewer redirect the water to the street, which added to the total amount of water on the street. Mayor Henry added to this saying that the separation project did not include Mr. Barr's neighborhood. Mr. Barr also asked who it was that stepped down from the Ross/West View EMSA board. Mayor Henry replied that it was Mark Devlin who resigned as chairman of the board and also stated that Bryan Kircher is retiring as the Executive Director and will remain on Council. Mr. Barr asked if 20 roads was an exceptional number of roads to be paved in a year. Mr. Rapp replied that 20 roads is an exceptional number and the Borough is fortunate to be able to do that many this year. Mayor Henry added that he is proud that the Borough is able to do 20 roads this year and it depends on the length of the roads and how much reconstruction is required. Mr. Barr stated he had an experience with a West View Police Officer. He recently wrecked his vehicle in Monroeville and he drove it to an auto body shop in West View. An officer stopped him and told him he could not drive his vehicle home, even though a Monroeville police officer let him drive it home. He asked why he was not permitted to drive his vehicle home. Mayor Henry stated that neither he nor Council can address police matters at a public forum. Mayor Henry asked if Mr. Barr had received a citation, to which Mr. Barr replied no. Mayor Henry said that if Mr. Barr has a problem with an officer, he should take it up with Chief Fromlak and interviews will be held. Mayor Henry said that it sounds like the officer was trying to protect his safety and he is proud of how West View's officers respond and protect the safety of residents. Mr. Barr asked a follow-up question and said when he called 911 in Monroeville and he was told that Monroeville is not in the 911 system. Mayor Henry replied that there are two major municipalities in Allegheny County that do not participate in the direct 911 system and have their own dispatch systems, Monroeville and Moon Township. A 911 call in Monroeville goes to

the 911 center and is then transferred back to Monroeville and their emergency services are dispatched by their own dispatchers.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on May 11, 2022 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$191,507.12 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$315,187.80 was made by Mr. Schelhaas and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,105.28 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$1,694.92 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business - None

Agenda

Information subject matter presentation made by Executive Director appointed Greg Porter regarding Ross/West View EMSA New Rescue 40 Project. Presentation was made earlier in the meeting.

Council to consider Resolution #1528 (A Resolution approving the acquisition and disposition of numerous parcels of vacant property known as block and lot number 280-K-255, abutting 258 Park Avenue). *Motion to read Resolution #1528 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.* Chief Fromlak read Resolution #1528 and noted that the resolution template came from the county and it is actually only one parcel, not numerous parcels. *Motion to approve Resolution #1528 was made by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider Resolution #1529 (A Resolution approving the acquisition and disposition of numerous parcels of vacant property known as block and lot number 279-G-094, abutting 92 Bronx Avenue). *Motion to read Resolution #1529 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.* Chief Fromlak read Resolution #1529 and once again noted that the resolution template came from the county and it is actually only one parcel, not numerous parcels. Mr. Witherel commented that two separate motions are no longer required to approve a resolution. *Motion to approve Resolution #1529 was made by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider Mutual Agreement through the North Hills Council of Governments (NHCOG) Year II – Articles of Agreement for 2022-2023 regarding the purchase of salt for \$75.02 per ton from Morton Salt Inc. *Motion to approve the Mutual Agreement was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:36pm.

Approved: May 11, 2022

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – July 13, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, July 13, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, and Scott Miller (via phone). Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael Witherel, and Engineer John Balewski. Absent were: Vice-President Bryan Kircher and Eugene Borio

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of June totaled \$2,983.91.

Mayor Henry asked Chief Fromlak to join him at the podium and presented him with the Cecil K. Leberknight Award, given by the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, recognizing him for his 10+ years of service as Manager.

Mayor Henry also asked President Aguglia to join him at the podium and presented him with the Thomas F. Crossway Award recognizing him for 20 years of service with the Borough.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 332 calls for service, 83 traffic citations, 111 traffic enforcement reports, 8 criminal arrests, 5 accident incidents, and 5 ordinance violations. A speed sign was posted on Highland Ave westbound near Oakmont Ave. Between July 6th and July 13th, there were a total of 28,516 vehicles that traveled that route with an average speed of 29.24 miles per hour in a posted 30 miles per hour posted zone.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report for the public meeting.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the Borough received approval from Allegheny County on all their contracts for the Streetscape Project and the project will hopefully begin by the end of July and be completed before the end of summer. Mr. Balewski also reported that the Norwich Ave storm sewer project is ready to go to bid and will be opened for bidding at next month's meeting.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent, Mr. Mikec reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$117,276.80 for June and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,393.20 as of June 30th and earned \$131.86 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,539.71 as of June 30th and earned \$14.44 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,386.04 as of June 30th and earned \$6.20 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for June totaled \$0.00.

Local Service tax collections for June totaled \$4,063.17 and Business/Mercantile collections for May totaled \$12,002.00.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio was absent.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 135 work orders were received and completed in the month of June. Catch basin blitz was completed with 185 basins being cleaned and 4 being repaired and brought up to grade. Traffic painting has started.

Mayor Henry expressed his thanks to the Public Works Department for a job well done repairing the catch basins.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia had no report.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher was absent.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp reported that paving will begin at the end of July/beginning of August. Mr. Balewski and Mr. Rapp met with A. Folino this past month. They currently have equipment in West View because they are resurfacing water breaks with the Water Authority and will most likely begin paving immediately following that project.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch was absent.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked whether the April 2022 council minutes were posted online yet. Chief Fromlak replied that they should have been posted but if they were not, they would be posted tomorrow. Mr. Barr thanked the Borough for doing a good job fixing the catch basin on Frankfort Ave and Center Ave and asked if the catch basin on the opposite side of the road was functional. Mr. Rapp replied that it is functional, but there is a dip in it and it will be fixed later this year. Mr. Barr also asked about a catch basin on Magnolia Ave that was removed and asked if it will be replaced. Mr. Rapp replied that it will stay the way it is as an open-end pipe that runs into a catch basin. Due to the terrain at that location, they are unable to place any box or catch basin there. The collapsed pipe will be fixed. Mr. Barr stated that there is a chain across the end of Magnolia Ave that is blocking him from getting a vehicle onto his property and asked if it would be possible to extend Magnolia Ave twenty more feet to the steps so that he could better access his property.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on June 8, 2022 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$182,566.26 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$459,331.62 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,110.23 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$3,176.91 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider Resolution #1530 (A Resolution approving and adopting the attached amendments to the rules and regulations of the Borough of West View Civil Service Commission). *Motion to read Resolution #1530 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* Chief Fromlak read Resolution #1530 and stated that this resolution was in order to update West View's Civil Service Commission to the current mandated rules and regulations to become compliant with federal and state rules and regulations. Mayor Henry credited Chief Fromlak with this review and added that this review made sure the Borough was up-to-date on background checks for new hires so that the Borough can be proactive in selecting new officers. *Motion to approve Resolution #1530 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

Council to consider the approval of conducting a promotional exam for the position of Sergeant within the Police Department. Chief Fromlak stated that this request was to begin the promotion process in order to be better prepared for the future due to projected retirements. Chief Fromlak also addressed the next agenda item and stated it would allow the Borough to have a current eligibility list for up to 2 years so they could more easily reach out to those people and hire someone in the future. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele.*

Council to consider the approval of testing for a Full Time Police Officer in order to establish a current eligibility list. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec.*

President Aguglia asked Chief Fromlak if there was an officer on the list that was on it for 1-2 years whether they would have to go through background checks again. Chief Fromlak replied that yes, they would have to go through them again as it is required by MPOTEC. Ms. Steele added that when she met with the Civil Service Commission they addressed this as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting. Mayor Henry closed the meeting by honoring Joseph Froehlich, a longtime Borough resident and crossing guard, who recently passed away. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:23pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – August 10, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, August 10, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Mayor J. R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Matthew Kalina, and Engineer John Balewski. Absent were: Scott Miller

Mayor Henry started the meeting by honoring Mr. Kircher for his distinguished 42-year career with Ross/West View EMS. Mayor Henry read a proclamation celebrating Mr. Kircher's service to the Borough and the community and wished him well in retirement. The proclamation also proclaimed June 28th as Bryan S. Kircher Day in the Borough of West View.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of July totaled \$2,747.79.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 338 calls for service, 62 traffic citations, 110 traffic enforcement reports, 9 criminal arrests, 8 accident incidents, and 12 ordinance violations. A portable speed sign was posted on the 900 block of Center Avenue westbound between July 27th and August 8th. In that period of time there were a total of 27,662 vehicles traveled that route with an average speed of 25.37 miles per hour in a posted 25 miles per hour zone.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Kalina had no report for the public meeting.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the Norwich project will hit the papers tomorrow so it will be open for bids before the September meeting and can be completed before the end of 2022. The Streetscape Project by West View Elementary has begun. They ran into a problem on day one. They were supposed to pull out 1.5 feet of the brick sidewalk but some of the brick disintegrated upon being removed, so the solution was to remove all the brick and put a concrete sidewalk in. The Borough received 3 bids for that project and it will be completed before the start of the school year.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$40,153.01 for July and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,584.55 as of July 31st and earned \$191.35 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,560.67 as of July 31st and earned \$20.96 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,395.03 as of July 31st and earned \$8.99 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for July totaled \$288,813.36. Local Service tax collections for July totaled \$1,511.60 and Business/Mercantile collections for June totaled \$1,655.35.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 125 work orders were received and completed in the month of July. The Glenmore Park basketball court has been resurfaced and new nets have been put up. The parklets have been power washed and sanitized and 14 tons of asphalt have been used in various locations.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia reported that West View officers attended active shooter training in the week of July 25th. This training was hosted by the North Hills Special Response Team.

Chief Fromlak added to Mr. Aguglia's report, saying that for 5 days officers were required to attend one 8-hour session. The class is normally a 3-day class, so Chief Fromlak praised the SRT for condensing the class into a 1-day class. The class ensured that West View officers are trained and equipped to handle active shooter events in West View and the surrounding areas in a timely manner. Chief Fromlak himself attended on Tuesday.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Chief Fromlak has begun preliminary work on the budget for 2023. They will begin meeting in early September and have a draft budget ready for the November council meeting.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller was absent.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp reported that road paving has started and he hopes that they will be in and out in less than 3 days. They will be starting at 7am on Burkhart Avenue.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch was absent.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council and asked whether the Borough still goes by the Borough Code book and if a physical copy can be purchased. Chief Fromlak replied that yes, they do and Mayor Henry said that the code is available online. Mr. Barr also asked if the Borough went by international code and Chief Fromlak stated they go by international building code. Mr. Barr asked if there is an ordinance restricting parking on Center Avenue from Oakwood Avenue to Magnolia Avenue where the old Bellevue trolley line was. Chief Fromlak replied that he is not familiar with an ordinance prohibiting parking there. Mr. Barr asked if there is an ordinance pertaining to stray/loose cats. Mr. Rapp stated that there is an ordinance and that cats are not allowed to be outside your house. Mr. Barr asked about a manhole at the end of Magnolia Avenue and whether it will be screened or blocked off so that his dog and other animals can't get into it. Mr. Rapp said at this time no. There are two pieces of pipe they inserted into the open pipe. They looked into putting a cow catcher in front of it but determined that the amount of water and debris that flows there would cause a flood. Mayor Henry added to his earlier question about parking and said that it is difficult to answer specific questions about parking. Mayor Henry stated there are lots of potential reasons for cars to be removed and directed him to talk to Chief Fromlak with parking questions. Regarding the area he asked about, he said temporary parking there would be fine but cars shouldn't be left there permanently. Mr. Barr replied that there was a car that's been parked there for a couple days and he wanted to make sure it was okay for others to park there.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on July 13, 2022 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$239,053.60 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$278,232.38 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$10,359.48 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$1,988.12 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Agenda

Proclamation recognizing Bryan Kircher for his 42-year career with Ross/West View EMS. This was done first in the meeting.

Council to consider the approval of \$99,400 payable to Herbert, Rowland & Grubic (HRG) for providing surveying and preliminary engineering services for the Business District Streetscape Project. *Motion to approve was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Steele announced that preparations for the Halloween Parade have begun and the parade will be held on Monday, October 24th.

Mr. Schellhaas also commended those involved with the paving for getting it done so quickly.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:24pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY:

Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING – September 14, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, September 14, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, Scott V. Miller, and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer Charles Jordan, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch.

President Aguglia started the meeting by inviting HRG to talk about the ongoing Streetscape Project. Darren Myer, Ryan Minor, and Kara from HRG. Mr. Myer thanked council and expressed their appreciation for being selected for this project. They have begun field surveying and will start preparing a preliminary engineering drawing and a cost estimate. Mr. Minor said that he thinks it will be a great project and it will improve the flow of traffic and attract more people to the area. President Aguglia asked approximately how long the process will take before the project begins. Mr. Myer replied that he thinks the preliminary plans will be ready in a few months.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry was absent, Mr. Miller reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of July totaled \$3,117.42.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 407 calls for service, 121 traffic citations, 184 traffic enforcement reports, 11 criminal arrests, 4 accident incidents, and 11 ordinance violations. The Police Committee will be meeting with the Police Association tomorrow regarding contract negotiations. They are currently in a 3-year contract for the Police Department and Public Works Department with the option of a 2-year extension. They are in the first extension for this year and will hopefully be able to come to a quick resolution for the contracts. Chief Fromlak also mentioned the 3 agenda items and said that the grant windows close very quickly, so they are hoping to get approval to apply so that Mr. Balewski can move forward with the applications.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report for the public meeting.

Engineer's report - Mr. Jordan – Mr. Jordan reported that bidding is open for the Norwich Storm Sewer Project. Six bids were received and he recommends awarding the contract to Independent Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$78,070. Mr. Jordan also stated that they provided 3 applications for CDBG paving and the streets are Oberlin Avenue, Martsolf Avenue, and Bellevue Avenue.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$102,924.92 for August and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$178,863.19 as of August 31st and earned \$278.64 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,591.19 as of August 31st and

earned \$30.52 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,408.13 as of August 31st and earned \$13.10 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for August totaled \$780,060.03. Local Service tax collections for August totaled \$12,854.16 and Business/Mercantile collections for Jul7 totaled \$7,956.05.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 115 work orders were received and completed in the month of August. The Glenmore Park benches, and tables have been installed. The paving of 22 roads has been completed. 86 PA1 calls were completed.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia - Mr. Aguglia had no report.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that preliminary budget work for 2023 has started and they will be working on that over the next couple of months to present a draft budget to Council and the public at the November meeting.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp was absent.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that the North Hills Homecoming Dance is on Saturday, October 1st from 6pm to 9pm. The North Hills Marching Band Festival is this Saturday, September 17th starting at 7pm. The festival will feature over 10 groups from high schools and colleges in the area. North Hills High School received the 2021-22 Educator Award from the Western Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention for exemplifying excellence in suicide prevention awareness and education programs.

AUDIENCE

Cheryl Forsythe of West View Towers approached council and said that she had spoken to Council before about getting bus transportation to and from West View Towers and nothing ever came of it. Chief Fromlak replied that after that meeting, he attempted to coordinate with Ross Township to see how they manage their transportation services for their high-rises. We have not received any further information. Chief Fromlak asked Ms. Forsythe to give him her contact information so he can follow up with her. Ms. Forsythe also stated that some of the sidewalks from West View Towers to West View Shopping Center are not suitable for wheelchairs and as such many residents have to go into the road which is dangerous. Chief Fromlak replied that while West View Borough does not own the property where the plaza is located, the Borough can send notices to the appropriate property owners to make sure corrections are made. Ms. Forsythe also mentioned that many people run the stop signs along West View Park Drive and asked if the Borough could put an officer there during the day. President Aguglia replied that the Borough can look into it.

Kathy Lang, Joan Barlow, and Linda Murray of West View Towers approached council and reiterated what Ms Forsythe discussed. Ms Lang mentioned the sidewalks along West View Park drive are unsafe in some locations and it is difficult to use a scooter or wheelchair on and her scooter actually suffered damage by the sidewalk. That this has been reported to the Borough in the past. Also that the sidewalks in the Shopping Center itself, the curb cuts are unsafe and steep. Chief Fromlak replied that the Borough maintains the roadway along West View Park Drive but not the sidewalks however he would have the

Code Enforcement Officer walk the sidewalks tomorrow and annotate all of the discrepancies in order to notify the property owners. Ms. Barlow mentioned that the sidewalk on Perry Highway near the Shell gas station is broken and there is wall between the gas station and the Dollar General, which means they have to wait for a break in traffic and go into the street. Chief Fromlak mentioned that earlier in the meeting members from HRG Engineering spoke and that was regarding working with the Borough attempting to get funding for the Perry Highway revitalization to get new sidewalks and ramps.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on August 10, 2022 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$154,448.13 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$335,018.35 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$136.42 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$26,128.11 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business - None

Agenda

Council to consider applying for three Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant projects for the resurfacing of the following streets: Oberlin Avenue (Carlisle to dead end), Martsolf Avenue (Park to dead end), and Bellevue Avenue (Schwitter to Center). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele.*

Council to consider recommending award to Independent Enterprises in the amount of \$78,070 for storm water management project Norwich Avenue at Clairmont Avenue. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

Council to consider applying for a Gaming Economic Development Tourism Found Grant (GEDTF Grant) in the amount of \$250,000 for the rehabilitation and upgrades to Richard E. Powell Park. *Motion to approve was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Steele announced that the Halloween Parade will be held on Monday, October 24th at 7pm and signups will once again be online. Ms. Steele thanked the Bensch family for setting up the online registration. Candy bags will be packed on Thursday, October 20th at 5pm in Council chambers and any help is appreciated.

West View Community Clean-Up is Saturday, October 22nd from 9am to 12pm. The clean-up will start at VFW Post 2754. Volunteers are always needed to help clean up the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting and dedicated the meeting to Joe Halder who officiated games in the community for many years. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:32pm.

After adjournment, Lynn Webster of Brightwood Avenue approached Council and voiced some concerns.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____

Haylie Kelly

Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

REGULAR MEETING – October 12, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, October 12, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members Donald E. Mikec, Scott V. Miller, and Eugene Borio. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer Charles Jordan, and Junior Council Members Abriana Bensch and Jenna Wilky. Absent were: M. Kimberly Steele and Robert Schellhaas

Before the meeting, Mayor Henry made a special presentation to honor Richard Rapp, Lt. Matthew Holland, and Christina Railing. In August 2022, these three individuals came across someone lying in the street unconscious and because of their training, were able to successfully resuscitate him. On behalf of West View Borough and the American Heart Association, Mayor Henry recognized these individuals' heroism and presented them with certificates from the American Heart Association. He also encouraged others to become certified in CPR.

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry recognized Robert E. Toia, Sr., a longtime West View resident who recently reached the incredible milestone of 100 years of age on October 3rd. Mr. Toia moved to West View in 1952 and lived here for 62 years. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII and in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict. A proclamation was sent to Mr. Toia before his birthday in order to express the Borough's deepest gratitude for his service to our country and community. Mayor Henry also reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of July totaled \$3,364.07.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there was a planning meeting held at 4:30 this afternoon regarding the upgrades and architectural plans for the remodeling of West View Elementary. The Planning Commission approved the plans that were presented at this meeting.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel added to Chief Fromlak's report and stated that the Planning Commission is recommending preliminary and final site plan approval which is on tonight's agenda.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that there was a pre-construction meeting last week regarding the Norwich Avenue project and that project will begin in the next 2-3 weeks. It will take roughly a week to complete that project. The Borough applied for 3 CDBG projects for the paving of Martsolf, Oberlin, and Bellevue Avenues as well as a \$250,000 grant for upgrades to Powell Park, including adding a pickleball court.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$112,434.26 for September and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone

Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$179,193.96 as of September 30th and earned \$330.77 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,627.42 as of September 30th and earned \$36.23 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,423.68 as of September 30th and earned \$15.55 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for September totaled \$646,685.20. Local Service tax collections for September totaled \$472.72 and Business/Mercantile collections for August totaled \$8.150.38.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas was absent, Mr. Rapp reported that 97 work orders were received and completed in the month of September. 9 letters were sent to properties on West View Park Drive concerning ADA ramps, which was an issue raised at September's council meeting. Streetscape lights will be up and running before the Halloween Parade. Preventative maintenance has been done on all equipment. President Aguglia asked how many days the property owners have to make the changes. Mr. Rapp said they typically have 10 days to contact the Borough and from there they will work with them to make sure it is completed in a timely manner.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – President Aguglia reported that Officer Chad Green just completed a 72-hour class called the ABLE Project, which stands for Active Bystander for Law Enforcement. This training focused on de-escalation within law enforcement. Officer Green will be holding a training session for all West View Officers in the near future.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that the 2023 budget is well underway. The Manager and Assistant Secretary have been working together to put a draft budget together. They will continue to meet through the month of October and will have a budget to present to the public at the November council meeting.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec reported that on Thursday, October 20th between 5 and 6pm they will be packing Halloween bags for the Halloween Parade in the West View Council Chambers. The parade itself is Monday, October 24th at 7pm. West View Clean-Up Day will be held on Saturday, October 22nd from 9am to 12pm. They will meet at the West View VFW. All are welcome to attend and help clean the Borough.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp had no additional information to add to his report.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that the North Hills High School Drama Club will present an evening of three one act on Saturday, November 12th in the High School Auditorium. School board members voted to discontinue the district's use of the Indian chief logo while keeping the name "Indians" as the identifier for the district's athletic teams. North Hills Homecoming 2022 was held on Friday, September 30th and Saturday, October 1st. Prior to the game, our 2022 Homecoming King, Joe Frisco, and Queen, Josie Brackman, were crowned and first and second runners-up were recognized. President Aguglia welcomed new Junior Council Member Jenna Wilky.

AUDIENCE

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue approached Council and asked whether the individual who was given CPR suffered any broken ribs. Mayor Henry replied that he did not know but could not disclose that even if he did. Mr. Barr asked who the letters were sent to on West View Park Drive. President Aguglia replied that the letters were sent to businesses, not any residencies. Mr. Barr asked whether there will be a special meeting next month and if so, what time will it start. Chief Fromlak replied that there will be a special workshop meeting in November starting at 5:30pm, with the regular council meeting following immediately after. Mr. Barr asked if on West View Clean-Up, will there be any dumpsters to dispose of computers and other waste. Chief Fromlak replied that there will be 3 dumpsters placed beside the tax office, but they do not accept tires or electronics. He suggested contacting the free Waste Management At Your Door service to request a special pick-up.

Andrew Vascoff of 205 Montclair Avenue approached Council and stated that he has noticed a lot of cars cutting through his area recently from southbound Perry Highway to avoid the stop light at Highland and Perry. He is concerned as people come down the street fast and there are a lot of children on that street. He was wondering if anything could be done about it. Mayor Henry replied that normally when Council receives a complaint like that, Chief Fromlak will assign extra patrols or place a speed sign for targeted enforcement and to deter people. He encouraged Mr. Vascoff to communicate directly to Chief Fromlak any specific information.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on September 14, 2022 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$165,398.13 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$480,630.04 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,246.37 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$2,678.97 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider Daniel Sterzinger to be appointed to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy on the committee. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

Council to consider advertising and accepting bids for solid waste (garbage), recycling, and e-waste collection The current contract with Waste Management expires December 31st, 2022. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec.*

Council to consider Resolution #1531 (A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for RAAC funds with Allegheny County Economic Development in the amount of \$250,000 for Powell Park improvements). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

Council to consider Resolution #1532 (A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant with PENNDOT in the amount of \$700,000, for the West View Alternative Transportation Project). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Kircher.*

Council to consider Resolution #1533 (A Resolution implementing Act 57 of 2022 amending the Local Tax Collection Law). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher.*

Council to consider Resolution #1534 (A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for CDBG funds in the amount of \$27,000, with Allegheny County Economic Development for Oberlin Avenue). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

Council to consider Resolution #1535 (A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for CDBG funds in the amount of \$36,000, with Allegheny County Economic Development for Martsolf Avenue). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec.*

Council to consider Resolution #1536 (A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for CDBG funds in the amount of \$84,330, with Allegheny County Economic Development for Bellevue Avenue). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller*.

Council to consider Resolution #1537 (A Resolution requiring the Borough to adopt an Official Sewage Facilities Plan providing for sewage services adequate to prevent contamination of waters of the Commonwealth). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Fromlak stated that there was an error in the agenda and there should have been an item regarding the approval of the Planning Commission's decision regarding West View Elementary. He asked if this could be added to tonight's agenda. Solicitor Witherel asked if it is was advertised, whether it involved expenditure of Borough funds, and whether there was an indication that the Planning Commission's decision would be discussed at the Council meeting immediately after. Chief Fromlak confirmed that it was advertised, did not involve the expenditure of Borough funds, and was slated to be discussed at the Council meeting. Solicitor Witherel stated that under these circumstances, the Borough Council could vote on whether to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation. Mr. Barr asked if he address council on this issue and asked why the Borough has to approve this. Mayor Henry replied that people must go through the Planning Commission to present preliminary and final site plans. The initial meeting happened several months ago and the Planning Commission put several conditions on that site plan. The Planning Commission approved the plans at their meeting tonight and recommended the Borough accept the preliminary and final site plans. This has to be done as a matter of law. Solicitor Witherel added that this applies to any property owner in West View Borough. Mr. Barr asked how this affects the Borough. President Aguglia said that the plans for West View Elementary look great and he hopes it will attract more people to the Borough. Mayor Henry said that he saw nothing but positive things in the plans and appreciates the efforts of the school district in investing in the school. Mr. Barr asked if the plans included any expansions and whether there would be any adjacent property purchased. Solicitor Witherel replied that they will be adding more classrooms and office space but there will be no expansion as there is no room to expand. They will be utilizing the space they have. With no further comments, Motion to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission to accept the preliminary and final site plans for West View Elementary was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:34pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____

Haylie Kelly

OFFICIAL BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW BOROUGH

MINUTES - SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING - NOVEMBER 12, 2022

Minutes of the special workshop meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, November 9, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Eugene Borio, Scott V. Miller, and Donald E. Mikec. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: President William F. Aguglia

Chief Fromlak began the meeting by thanking Mr. Kircher, Mr. Aguglia, Mr. Miller, and Ms. Kelly for helping develop the proposed budget for 2023.

Projected revenues are \$3,988,350.00 and expenditures are \$3,988,350.00 for 2023. With proposed extensions for both the Uniform and Non-Uniform employees through December 31st, 2023 employees will receive a 3% increase in salary. The UPMC Health Care plan for the same coverage as currently being offered will increase by 4.9% more than the 2022 rates, for an estimated annual premium of \$283,000. As of November 9, 2022, the balances in the following accounts are General Fund MM \$8,440.00, General Fund Checking \$174,335.00, Building Fund MM \$19,269.00 Liquid Fuels Checking \$105,899.00, and General Fund Saving \$1,426,165.00. The Chief budgeted \$225,000 for the 2023 paving project and the streets/alleys under consideration are: Center Ave from Oakwood to Brightwood, Arden Alley off of Oakwood, Norval Alley parallel with Martsolf, Bryant Alley between Montclair and Jamaica, 7th Alley between Amherst and Princeton, and Center Ave between Columbia and Bronx (eastbound lane only).

Chief Fromlak reported the major account changes are as follows: Revenues are Real Estate Taxes \$1,964,900, Earned Income Tax \$919,000, Business Privilege \$33,000. Expenditures are Auditing sevice \$15,700, Solicitor \$30,000, and Engineer \$40,000. We are not anticipating the need for a TAN Loan for 2023 as we have a line of credit with FNB that we could use if need be.

We are anticipating the street and resurfacing project for 2023 in the amount of \$225,000.00.

We are also anticipating a lease payment of our current police vehicle in the amount of \$30,000 and one additional vehicle to replace a 2017 SUV with 125,000 miles. That new vehicle will be a hybrid so there is the potential for fuel savings with that.

Capital Fire Equipment \$60,000 Capital Fire Equipment donation intended for the use of a ladder truck for the Fire Department.

Ross/West EMS donation \$41,700

Vice President Kircher made a note that the Capital Fire Equipment donation has increased from \$30,000 to \$60,000 in 2023 for the replacement of an engine that the Fire Company has already committed to.

Dollar General signed a lease until June 30, 2024 at \$3000 a month, Brass Monkey Antiques has a lease until March 31, 2023 at \$1000 a month, The HUB food pantry has a lease at \$465 a month, The HUB lease is currently at \$600 (was reduced from \$1000 2 months ago due to economic hardship) however is being reevaluted, and Allegheny County Lease expires May 2026 at \$3412.60 a month.

Building Fund has a balance of \$34,000.

Liquid Fuel Fund has a 2023 budget of \$177,850.

Chief Fromlak noted that this meeting was advertised in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette to begin at 5:30pm with the Regular Council Meeting to follow immediately after.

Vice President Kircher thanked Ms. Kelly, Chief Fromlak, Mr. Aguglia, and Mr. Miller for their contributions to the development of the 2023 draft budget. Mr. Kircher stated that the Borough does not anticipate any increase in the expenses or revenues in comparison to the 2022 budget.

Mr. Miller asked if the \$60,000 Capital Fire Equipment donation would remain at the same amount in 2024. Mr. Kircher replied that while the donation may not remain at the same amount, that contribution will continue in some form to ensure the Borough has fire protection.

Mayor Henry also thanked everyone for their work on the budget and encouraged the public to comment on it before it is voted on at December's meeting.

Vice President Kircher moved to close the Budget workshop meeting and open the Regular Meeting. *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.*

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY:

Haylie Kelly

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

REGULAR MEETING – November 9, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, November 9, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 5:46pm by Vice President Bryan S. Kircher.

Members of Council present were: Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Eugene Borio, Scott V. Miller, and Donald E. Mikec. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Abriana Bensch. Absent were: President William F. Aguglia

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of October totaled \$2,788.36.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 455 calls for service, 79 citations issued, 207 traffic enforcement reports, 11 criminal arrests, 9 accident incidents, and 7 ordinance violations. The committees for the Department of Public Works and Police have met with their respective unions and it seems everyone is in agreement to extend the current contracts with a 3% increase in salary for all.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski had no report.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$46,760.01 for October and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$179,55922 as of October 31st and earned \$365.26 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,667.43 as of October 31st and earned \$40.01 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,440.85 as of October 31st and earned \$17.17 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for October totaled \$85,419.20. Local Service tax collections for October totaled \$1,306.88 and Business/Mercantile collections for September totaled \$6,954.27.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 137 work orders were received and completed in the month of September. The French drain was installed on Holmes Alley. 500 tons of salt were delivered and stacked for the season. Overhead Christmas lights were updated to LED.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – President Aguglia was absent.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher once again thanked the committee and Chief Fromlak for all their hard work and welcomes any public comments between now and the approval of the budget in December 2022.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec reported that the Halloween Parade was held on Monday, October 24th. He thanked all the volunteers who helped and made the parade a success. Vice President Kircher asked if a holiday event was happening in December. Chief Fromlak replied that the tree lighting would be held on Friday, December 2nd and was being put on by the West View Community Connection.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller had no report.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp reported that leaf collection is happening now. They were delayed for 5 days due to a vehicle breaking down but the crew is working diligently to catch up.

Junior Council – Abriana Bensch - Miss Bensch reported that the North Hills Choir is hosting its annual Madrigal Dinner on Saturday, November 19 at 6:30pm at Hiland Presbyterian Church. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Hilltop Holiday Town will take place on the hilltop campus of the High School and Middle School on Friday, November 18 from 5:30pm to 8pm. There will be lighted and decorated trees, fun games for kids, pictures with Santa and friends, refreshments, and North Hills spirit wear for sale. Members of the North Hills High School Drama Club will present an evening of one act plays on Saturday, November 12 at 7pm in the North Hills High School Auditorium.

AUDIENCE

Lynn Webster approached Council and shared the compliments she heard about Rich Rapp yesterday from the senior citizens at West View Towers. She said the residents greatly appreciated his assistance with helping make the area more handicap accessible. Ms. Webster also stated that she is starting a nonprofit group called the West View Community Association to try and help the community. She plans to try and apply for various grants in order to give back to the community. Vice President Kircher thanked Ms. Webster for her enthusiasm and contributions to the Borough.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on October 12, 2022 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$165,403.87 was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$570,286.97 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,246.37 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$1,309.22 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – Chief Fromlak stated that there is an amendment to Resolution #1538 that is being considered tonight. There was a section left out, so he wanted to talk about what would be amended. The Borough received state aid in the amount of \$134,91.74. The Minimum Municipal Obligation amount for the Police pension plan is \$137,658.00 and \$85,059.00 for the Non-Uniform plan, for a combined total of

\$222,717.00. The state aid money is not enough to satisfy both MMOs and there is a balance of \$88,025.26 that needs to come from the General Fund. The Resolution amendment would recommend that the Borough deposit the entire state aid amount into the Police plan, and then use an additional \$2,966.26 from the General Fund to satisfy 2022's Police MMO. \$85,090.00 must then be taken from the General Fund to satisfy the Non-Uniform MMO. *Motion to amend Resolution #1538 as read was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered.*

Frank Polito approached Council and state he has partnered with Lynn Webster to start a nonprofit. He has been a West View resident for 10 years and has been a part of numerous nonprofits. He said the goal of the West View Community Association is to help beautify West View by holding forums to discuss best practices and strategies to improve the community, project planning and major initiatives that focus on the growth and prosperity of the community, and building new relationships with residents and business owners that will benefit the West View community at large. It is free to be a member of the association. Mayor Henry thanked Mr. Polito for his efforts and said the Borough will support the association in any way they can.

New Business – None

Agenda

Council to consider Resolution #1538 (A Resolution authorizing the distribution of the Foreign Fire and Casualty Premium Taxes pursuant to the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act in the amount of \$134,691.74 for the Police Employee Pension Plan). *Motion to approve with the amendments previously outlined was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

Council to consider Resolution #1539 (A Resolution to maintain the Borough of West View Police Pension Plan's employee contribution rate of 3% for the year 2023). *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Kircher thanked everyone for participating in the meeting and wished all in attendance a happy Thanksgiving. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY: _____

Haylie Kelly

OFFICIAL BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW BOROUGH

MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING - DECEMBER 14, 2022

Minutes of the special workshop meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, December 14, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by President William F. Aguglia, followed by a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Eugene Borio, and Donald E. Mikec. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Jenna Woelke. Absent were: Scott V. Miller and Donald E. Mikec

Chief Fromlak began the meeting by introducing Greg Porter, the Executive Director of Ross/West View EMSA, for preparing tonight's special presentation.

Mr. Porter began the presentation by playing a short video for council. Ross/West View EMSA is planning to introduce a \$55 annual subscription in 2023 in all 5 communities it serves. The EMSA has been struggling financially in recent years, so they hope that this subscription will provide a more regular source of revenue so they can continue to maintain their staff and equipment.

The EMSA currently has a staff of 30 full-time employees, 20 part-time employees, and 10 volunteers. They also have a fleet of 7 ambulances. Employee benefits and wages have been greatly reduced in recent years. The revenue generated from this subscription will be used to maintain its staff, equipment, and facilities and to hopefully improve wages and benefits for current employees. Ross/West View EMSA's financial struggles have been exacerbated by the closing of many other EMSAs over the past 30 years, which means Ross/West View EMSA often has to fill in the gaps left by other authorities. The COVID-19 pandemic made an already dire situation even worse.

The fee would become a mandatory subscription for residents served by Ross/West View EMSA, but once paid, you would not have to pay any out-of-pocket fees for utilizing the EMSA's services. The EMSA will be holding public meetings in each community it serves to inform them of this new subscription. The EMSA believes this subscription would help them get their footing and provide a sustainable source of revenue.

An ordinance to be voted on in the Regular Meeting would allow Ross/West View EMSA to impose this fee on West View residents.

Chief Fromlak moved to close the Special Meeting and open the Regular Meeting. *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.*

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

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Haylie Kelly

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

REGULAR MEETING – December 14, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Wednesday, December 14, 2022 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 5:51pm by President William F. Aguglia.

Members of Council present were: President William F. Aguglia, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members M. Kimberly Steele, Robert Schellhaas, Eugene Borio, and Donald E. Mikec. Also attending were: Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Public Works Coordinator Rich Rapp, Administrative Assistant Haylie Kelly, Solicitor Michael J. Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, and Junior Council Member Jenna Woelke. Absent were: Scott V. Miller

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report - J.R. Henry - Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of November totaled \$4,238.89.

President Aguglia convened a motion to consider the promotion of Officer Chad Green to Sergeant, effective December 14, 2022. *Motion to approve was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher.* Mayor Henry called Officer Green to the podium and administered the oath of office. Officer Green's wife removed his patrolman badge and replaced it with the Sergeant badge. Chief Fromlak formally introduced Sergeant Chad Green.

Chief of Police/Manager's report - Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that there were 344 calls for service, 69 citations issued, 125 traffic enforcement reports, 1 criminal arrest, 4 accident incidents, and 5 ordinance violations in the month of November. The Streetscape Project lighting installation has been finished and the Borough is still applying for more grant funding for the completion of the Streetscape Project.

Solicitor's Report - Michael Witherel – Mr. Witherel had no report but noted that Ordinance #1521 may need to be amended to make it clear whether the tax credits would be earned income tax credits, real estate tax credits, or both. Mayor Henry said that he thinks that Council should consider doing just the earned income tax credit.

Engineer's report - Mr. Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the Norwich Avenue stormwater project has been completed and appears to be working as intended. Mayor Henry noted that residents expressed compliments to the contractor on the project.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report - Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax collections totaled \$103,395.76 for November and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$179,913.42 as of November 30th and earned \$354.20 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,706.23 as of November 30th and earned \$38.80 in interest. The General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,457.50 as of November 30th and earned \$16.65 in interest. Real Estate tax collections for November totaled \$31,823.16. Local Service tax collections for November totaled \$13,993.90 and Business/Mercantile collections for October totaled \$7,541.52.

Property & Purchasing – Eugene Borio - Mr. Borio had no report.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – President Aguglia personally commended Officer Matt Pavlecic for his efforts in collecting toys, gift cards, and money which will be distributed to needy West View families. The Borough is still collecting items and there is a drop-off box in the lobby of the Borough Building.

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas reported that 130 work orders were received and completed in the month of November. 3 ADA parking stalls and signs were installed. A box for new LPR cameras was installed. Overhead Christmas decoration lights were installed.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher - Mr. Kircher reported that there have been no major changes to the budget since it was introduced at the November meeting other than a grant that was included for Powell Park which totaled \$100,000.

Fire & Water / Public Relations & Recreation – Donald E. Mikec - Mr. Mikec had no report.

Military & Veterans Affairs – Scott Miller - Mr. Miller was absent.

Public Works Coordinator – Richard Rapp – Mr. Rapp reported that leaf collection has ended. If residents want leaves to be collected, they must be placed in brown, decomposable bags. Mr. Rapp also thanked everyone who helped with Welcome Christmas to West View.

Junior Council – Jenna Woelke - Miss Woelke reported that the North Hills High School World Language Department has been awarded the Golden Globe from the Pennsylvania State Modern Language Association. The Golden Globe Award is the Association's top honor this year and North Hills High School is one of just 9 schools across the state to receive this award. Members of the North Hills SADD Club decorated a DUI Dedication Tree in the High School lobby last week. The tree's decorations represent impaired driving statistics in Allegheny County in 2021 to serve as a reminder of the dangers of impaired driving, especially during the holiday season.

AUDIENCE

Ed Sangley of Chalfonte Avenue approached Council regarding a letter he received about the additions being made to West View Elementary. He asked why no one on Chalfonte Avenue received any notice of the project or details about the extent of the additions. He said the letter stated that they will be putting a chain-link fence on one lane of Chalfonte Avenue in January and is concerned that residents will have nowhere to park. He is also concerned about the vehicle traffic on the alley between Highland and Chalfonte that might impinge upon residents' ability to get out of their driveways. Mayor Henry replied that the Planning Commission meetings were the time for residents to give input on the project and apologized that Mr. Sangley was unaware. He also stated that residents in affected areas should have received posted notices. He went on to say that Council is voting on an ordinance tonight to limit parking to make it safer for the construction workers. Chief Fromlak added that the Borough could evaluate making the alley a one-way but is unsure of what impact it would have on the situation. Mr. Sangley replied that perhaps they could make the alley closed off to thru traffic. Mayor Henry said the problem with that is it would be difficult to enforce. Mayor Henry asked Chief Fromlak how exactly traffic would be affected by the parking limits. Chief Fromlak replied that the chain-link fence would go

8-9 feet off the current curb to permit traffic of emergency services vehicles. They were trying to maintain parking in that area while still putting up the fence but there is simply not enough room. Chief Fromlak said he approached the manager of the Rite Aid across from the school and they have no problems with teachers using that lot. As far as making the alley local traffic only, he said the Borough has tried that in other areas before but it is not very effective and hard to enforce. Mayor Henry suggested that Mr. Sangley stay in contact with Chief Fromlak and said that the Borough could examine the situation and see if there are other options. President Aguglia added that the Borough had a police officer stationed in that alley last week to monitor traffic and they are aware of the situation.

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue approached Council and asked if they were going to approve the proposed 2023 Budget this evening. He said that the budget was not posted and residents did not have an opportunity to review it before approval. Chief Fromlak replied that notice was given at the last meeting and that anybody could stop by the Borough Building and obtain a copy. Mayor Henry added the budget meeting was formally advertised in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Mr. Barr asked why it was not posted on the website and Mayor Henry said that that is not required. Mr. Barr asked if the West View paving project is done for the year and whether Glenmore Avenue will be paved or resurfaced anytime soon. Chief Fromlak replied that the Water Authority was replacing lead lines on Glenmore and has finished, but is unsure of when the street will be paved since it is not the season for paving. Mr. Barr also asked if West View is responsible for maintaining both sides of Rochester Road and asked why only one side of it was paved. Mayor Henry said that multiple projects have been going on. The state applied tar and chips to the entire length of Rochester Road with the exception of the portion going through West View due to the water line project. He said Rochester Road is a state road and is not maintained by the Borough. When weather permits, the Water Authority's contractor is going to pave Glenmore Avenue, but it may not be until the spring. The Borough will not be doing that paving. Mr. Barr asked when West View joined the Ross/West View EMSA. Solicitor Witherel replied that it was 2001. Mr. Barr expressed concern about an extension cord across the walkway to the Magnolia Avenue steps. President Aguglia asked Mr. Rapp to check out the extension cord.

Jeff Selman of Tomoka Avenue approached Council on behalf of Ross/West View EMSA and praised them for the services they provide to the community. He said that in June, he was installing a gazebo when he fell backwards and was pronounced dead. A neighbor called 911 and performed CPR until EMS arrived and they were able to eventually revive him. Mayor Henry thanked him for his comments and agreed that Ross/West View EMSA is a vital asset to the Borough.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Workshop Meeting of Town Council on November 9, 2022 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council on November 9, 2022 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for net pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$170,160.08 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$609,425.81 was made by Mr. Borio and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion was approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$5,240.25 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.

Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$252.58 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business - None

Agenda

Council to consider Ordinance #1522 (An Ordinance authorizing the imposition and collection of a special emergency ambulance service fee). *Motion to discuss the Ordinance was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec.* Mayor Henry summarized the Ordinance, stating that it authorizes Ross/West View EMSA to implement a \$55 fee for every residential dwelling in the Borough and a fee for each business in the Borough ranging from \$55 to \$500 depending on the size of the business. He said this is historic as it will give the EMSA the long-term sustainable funding it needs. The Borough has been working with the other 4 communities served by the EMSA to come up with a solution that is fair to residents. The fee is mandatory, but he strongly believes this is the best solution to give Ross/West View EMSA the funding it needs. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele.* Mr. Porter thanked Council.

Council to consider the approval of the 2023 Budget as presented. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele.*

Council to consider the bid received from Waste Management for a 5-year contract for weekly collection of solid waste and the bi-weekly collection of recycling and household waste. Chief Fromlak stated that packets were sent out to various local haulers, but Waste Management was the only bid received. Waste Management came back with a rate that is 9% higher than the current rate, so beginning in January 2023, a household will pay \$30.50 more a month. This price could have been higher if the Borough had not gone with the automated collection system. Starting in April, each resident will be issued a 96-gallon garbage can which residents must fit everything in or else they will not take it. They will also be giving residents a new 64-gallon recycling bin to replace the old red bins and recycling will be collected every other week. Chief Fromlak also stated that West View is not the only municipality where these changes are being implemented. President Aguglia asked what the cost of the automation service is. Chief Fromlak replied it is \$30.50 a month, with 9% incremental increases each year for the 5-year contract. Mayor Henry added that the Borough is entering a 5-year contract as they believe it will be a better deal in the long run versus a 1-year contract. He said that while they do not normally like to approve single bid contracts, he believes this is the best deal. He also stated that the bid the Borough received is better than the bid the NHCOG received. Chief Fromlak added that the senior citizen 50% discount is still available under this contract. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher.

Council to consider Resolution #1540 (A Resolution establishing the criteria that a volunteer must be certified under the Borough of West View's Service Credit Program to claim local tax credits). Chief Fromlak stated that this Resolution is in regards to a law that Governor Wolf signed in 2016 that authorizes local governments to grant local tax credits to volunteers at volunteer fire companies and at non-profit emergency medical services authorities. This would apply to the earned income tax credit. The list of volunteers would be certified by the chief of the company or authority and given to the Borough. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Borio.*

Council to consider Resolution #1541 (A Resolution authorizing the appropriation of the American Rescue Plan Funds in the amount of \$683,102.77 to pay for police staff salaries and wages). Chief Fromlak clarified that the Police Department was not being given a bonus but that this money is permitted to be used for police salaries in order to free up money in the budget to be used for other projects. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec.*

Council to consider Ordinance #1521 (An Ordinance authorizing local tax credits for volunteer members of volunteer fire companies and non-profit emergency medical services authorities). *Motion to approve was made by Ms. Steele and seconded by Mr. Kircher.*

Council to consider Ordinance #1523 (An Ordinance amending the traffic code on Chalfonte Avenue from Perry Highway to Bellevue Avenue limiting the parking on Bellevue Avenue between Chalfonte Avenue and driveway entrance of West View Elementary). Chief Fromlak noted that this ordinance is temporary and parking on Bellevue Avenue would be returned to normal once construction is completed. Mayor Henry added in regards to Mr. Sangley's concerns that the Borough could take action on the alley if needed without having to pass an ordinance. *Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Borio.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

President Aguglia thanked everyone for participating in the meeting and wished all in attendance a merry Christmas and happy New Year. He closed the meeting in honor of Pete DiPietro, who recently passed away, and expressed his gratitude for all he did for the Borough over the years. With no further business to come before Council, *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Ms. Steele. Motion approved and ordered.* The meeting adjourned at 6:54pm.

Approved:

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

BY:

Haylie Kelly