

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW  
REGULAR MEETING – June 11, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Thursday, June 11, 2020 in Council Chambers at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President M. Kimberly Steele.

President Steele asked for a moment of silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the Flag. Chief Fromlak conducted roll call. Members of Council present were: President M. Kimberly Steele, Members William F. Aguglia, Robert D. Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec and Scott Miller. Also attending were: Mayor J.R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Cathy A. Mann, Solicitor Matthew Kalina, Engineer John Balewski and Public Works Interim Coordinator Richard T. Rapp. Member Eugene Borio attended the meeting via telephone. Absent was Vice-President Bryan S. Kircher.

*Motion to approve tonight's amended agenda was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.*

REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report – J.R. Henry – Mr. Miller reported for Mayor Henry that the total motor vehicle code violation receipts for the month of May totaled \$1,955.66.

Chief of Police/Manager's report – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that all Borough employees are healthy and at work. The call volume was up from last month. Street sweeping tickets have been on hold due to the COVID-19 but starting next week, warnings will be issued, and tickets will then start to be issued in 2 weeks. The paving project is on tonight's agenda and Chief Fromlak read the streets and alleys that will be paved. We are applying for a GROW grant for Center Avenue behind the VFW to make it into a storm management friendly area.

Solicitor's report – Matthew Kalina – Mr. Kalina had no report.

Engineer's report – John Balewski – Mr. Balewski reported that the Streetscape project is underway and that the streetlights have been ordered. The design is almost complete and will be presented to the Borough Manager.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher – Mr. Kircher was absent, so Mr. Miller reported that Wage tax deposits totaled \$81,157.62 in May and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$247,994.86 as of May 31st and earned \$177.21 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,438.53 as of

May 31st and earned \$13.89 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,329.79 as of May 31st and earned \$5.95 in interest. Real Estate collections for May were \$0.00. Local Service tax collections for May totaled \$8,115.61 and Business/Mercantile for April totaled \$1,408.64.

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

Public Works – Robert D. Schellhaas – Mr. Schellhaas read the Public Works report that was submitted by Mr. Rapp.

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

#### AUDIENCE

David Tyson of 122 Rochester Road. Mr. Tyson approached Council to begin a dialogue about racial discrimination and bias. He stated that he did not feel as he was a victim. He described his life experiences. Military and work career, and several incidents that he and his family have endured during his lifetime. He also stated that he felt uncomfortable and humiliated several years ago when he was pulled over WVPD for a possible violation for tinted automobile window in front of his house. He's stated his concern over the power of the police and stated and quoted Dr, Martin Luther King "You can't legislate morality but you can regulate the hate" He wants to see if we can have an ongoing dialogue and change people's outlooks and perceptions of the black community. Chief Fromlak will reach out to Mr. Tyson for further discussion. Tyson was in front of Council for 12:13:02 minutes.

Betty Jane Faett of 215 Oakwood Avenue requested that a barrier be put up behind her house on Keating Alley to keep people from using it. She commented that people on Magnolia are putting in a pool and there is going to be loud noise. Ms. Faett was in front of Council for 11:01:00 minutes.

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue – Mr. Barr asked about one of the streets that is being paved. He thanked the Borough for keeping the Glenmore park open during the COVID-19. What did the public works install at the real estate tax office, a lock box for the taxes to be dropped off. If the meeting is by conference call will the information be posted somewhere? Mr. Barr was in front of Council for 3:23:01 minutes.

*Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on May 14, 2020 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for net*

*pay and payroll withholding in the amount of \$147,568.95 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$59,837.55 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$4,857.22 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$2,291.27 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion was approved and ordered.*

Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished Business.

New Business – There was no new Business.

#### Agenda

1. Council to consider Resolution #1496. (A Resolution merging the West View Volunteer Fire Companies #1, #2, #3 and the West View Volunteer Fire Department into the surviving corporation to be known as West View Volunteer Fire Department.) *Motion to read Resolution #1496 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve Resolution #149 was made by Mr. Schellhaas and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.*
2. Council to consider approving the Year 2020-2021 purchase of rock salt at \$69.36 per ton through the NHCOG. *Motion to approve the Year 2020-2021 purchase of rock salt at \$69.36 per ton through the NHCOG was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered.*
3. Council to consider the 2020 Public Improvement Road Paving Bids in the amount of \$201,000.00 (Independent Enterprise is the low bidder). *Motion to consider the 2020 Public Improvement Road Paving Bids in the amount of \$201,000.00 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion approved and ordered.*
4. Council to consider an appointment to the Recreation Board for a 4-year term through 6/30/23. (Leah Myers is interested). *Motion to appoint Leah Myers to the Recreation Board for a 4-year term through 6/30/23 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

President Steele thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

With no further business to come before Council, Motion *to adjourn* was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Approved: July 9, 2020

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Cathy A. Mann

Assistant Secretary/Treasurer