# BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW REGULAR MEETING – December 10, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council of the Borough of West View, held Thursday, December 10, 2020 via tele-conferencing at 441 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229. The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President M. Kimberly Steele.

Chief Fromlak conducted roll call. Members of Council present were: President M. Kimberly Steele, Vice President Bryan S. Kircher, Members William F. Aguglia, Robert D. Schellhaas, Donald E. Mikec, Eugene Borio and Scott Miller. Also attending were: Mayor J.R. Henry, Chief of Police/Secretary/Manager Bruce A. Fromlak, Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer Cathy A. Mann, Solicitor Michael Witherel, Engineer John Balewski, Public Works Coordinator Richard T. Rapp and Junior Council Douglas Bensch.

Motion to approve/amend the Agenda was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.

## REPORTS FROM THE OFFICERS

Mayor's Report – J.R. Henry, Mayor – Mayor Henry reported that the motor vehicle code violations for the month of November totaled \$1,022.76.

Chief of Police/Manager's report – Bruce A. Fromlak – Chief Fromlak reported that Council is considering moving the meeting time in 2021 to 6:00 pm instead of 7:00 pm. This will be advertised in the paper. Chief Fromlak stated that there have been numerous complaints regarding the intersection of Chalfonte & Ashford with cars speeding through. The speed limit is 25 mph and after having the speed sign there, the average speed is 18 mph.

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

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

### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

Finance Report – Bryan S. Kircher – Mr. Kircher reported that Wage tax deposits totaled \$76,263.85 in November and were deposited into the Borough's General Fund checking account by Keystone Collections. The Liquid Fuel checking account had a balance of \$248,671.31 as of November 30th and earned \$74.58 in interest. The Building Fund money market account had a balance of \$19,491.55 as of November 310th and earned \$5.85 in interest. Our General Fund money market account had a balance of \$8,352.51 as of November 30th and earned \$2.50 in interest. Real Estate collections for November were \$46,005.73. Local Service tax collections for November totaled \$0.00 and Business/Mercantile for October totaled \$6,296.46.

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

Public Works - Robert D. Schellhaas - Mr. Schellhaas read the Public Works report provided by Mr. Rapp.

Police & Public Safety – William F. Aguglia – Mr. Aguglia reported that the West View Police and West View Elementary are accepting donations to purchase gift cards for families in West View in need. Officer Pavlecic will be at Studio Raw on Babcock Blvd on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 7am to 7 pm.

Budget/Administration – Bryan S. Kircher – Mr. Kircher reported that the proposed budget in on the agenda tonight to be approved. He thanked the committee and administration for assisting in forming the budget. With 2020 being a difficult year and not knowing how 2021 will be, a close eye will be kept on the first quarter of 2021.

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.

Public Works Coordinator - Richard Rapp – reported that the Streetscape project on Perry Highway is running longer than expected. All the Christmas decorations are up in the Borough.

Junior Council – Douglas Bensch – Mr. Bensch reported that the NHSD will remain in Virtual learning until January 11, 2021. As of December 10<sup>th,</sup> there are 27 active COVID-19 cases throughout the district and 85 total cases. The Senior class officers held a Hilltop Night Lights on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 where you can drive through and see the decorated lights, they raised nearly \$9,000.

#### **AUDIENCE**

Donna Schmidt of 66 Ashford addressed Council regarding putting a stop sign at Chalfonte Avenue and Ashford Avenue where little kids are running out in the street and cars don't stop at the intersection. Chief Fromlak will look into the situation.

Jim Barr of 200 Frankfort Avenue addressed Council regarding asking what the streetscape project is, Chief Fromlak replied it is replacing the sidewalks, streetlights, benches along the 400 block of Perry Highway in the business district. He asked what the symptoms of the COVID cases at the school were and was told that we would not know that due to HIPA. Any changes in the millage for 2021, Chief Fromlak replied no. Are the Veterans banner down due to weather and it was stated that yes, they will be put back up in the spring.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Town Council on November 12, 2020 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve the Minutes of the special meeting of Town Council on November 12, 2020 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 \$151,509.82 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments to vendors for \$446,742.75 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payment for liquid fuel expenditures for \$4,900.39 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Schellhaas. Motion was approved and ordered. Motion to approve payments for building fund expenditures for \$2,844.13 was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion was approved and ordered.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business - None

## Agenda

Council to consider Ordinance #1512. (An Ordinance appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for specific purposes of the Municipal Government hereinafter set forth during the year 2021. *Motion to read Ordinance #1512 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve Ordinance #1512 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Borio. Motion approved and ordered.* 

Council to consider Ordinance #1513. (An Ordinance filing the tax rate for the year 2021). *Motion to read Ordinance #1513 was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion approved and ordered. Motion to approve Ordinance #1513 was made by Mr. Mikec and seconded by Mr. Kircher. Motion approved and ordered.* 

Council to consider an appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three- year term. (Joe Assisi is interested). Motion to appoint Joe Assisi to the Zoning Board for a three-year appointment through 11/2023 was made by Mr. Aguglia and seconded by Mr. Mikec. Motion approved and ordered.

Council to consider moving the time of the Council meetings for 2021 to 6:00 PM. Motion to move the time of the Council meetings in 2021 to 6:00 PM was made by Mr. Kircher and seconded by Mr. Aguglia. Motion approved and ordered.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Steele asked that the meeting be closed in Honor of John Mihm who passed away. John was a longtime resident of West View and a member of the Zoning Board.

## ADJOURNMENT

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 7:32 pm.

Approved: January 14, 2021	BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW
BY:	
Cathy A. Mann	
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	