

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD April 16, 2015

Welcome everybody to the speak out meeting for the month of April.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG!

The regular meeting was held at 7:00PM at the North Versailles Township Municipal Building. An open caucus meeting, which was duly advertised, was held at 6:30 PM, prior to the regular monthly meeting.

ROLL CALL: *G. Beswick, present; F. Bivins, present; S. Juliano, present; D. Mitchell, present; V. Paradine, present; R. Saula, present; G. Thompson, present.*

PUBLIC SPEAK OUT SESSION:

Janice Shehand, 1024 Taylor St., thanked Commissioners for help with a recent noise disturbance situation.

Sally Sahene, 206 Canterbury Ln., requested an update on the Fire Dept. audits.

Roxanne Eichler, 1311 Luehm Ave., candidate for district Magistrate.

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by R. Saula, to approve the minutes from the Commissioners meeting held on March 19, 2015.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PUBLIC HEARING: *None.*

BIDS: *None.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by F. Bivins, to ratify a phone vote taken March 30, 2015 to hire James Corbett for the part time janitor position at a rate of \$11.85 per hour.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by V. Paradine, to ratify a phone vote taken March 30, 2015 to offer employment for the intern position to Max Cercone at a rate of no more than \$10.00 per hour (of which ½ is paid by LGA).

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by F. Bivins, to sign on with Tri Eagle Energy to supply our energy pricing for electric service for a savings of approximately \$25,000.00 over the next three years.

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ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by F. Bivins, to approve a \$75.00 donation to the PSATC for an ad in the 2015 Conference Yearbook.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

BANK REPORT:

As of March 31, 2015: General Fund \$586,731.02; Refuse Account, \$258,925.52; Tentative Escrow Account, \$104.47; State Motor Fund, \$175,607.42; Health Reimbursement Account, \$8,731.10; Capital Expenditures Account, \$2,402,581.77.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of March, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; 2014 Township Tax at Penalty, \$18,739.77.

Fire Department Fund beginning balance, \$57,853.35; + Deposits of \$4,096.48; + Interest of \$0.48; -\$2,361.30—Crestas VFC; -\$2,361.30—West Wilmerding VFD. Ending balance as of 3/31/15, \$57,853.35.

FINANCE:

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by V. Paradine, to approve the list of bills payable and paid in the amount of \$247,088.20.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

BLDG PERMITS-ORDINANCE:

\$1,100.00—Zoning Certificates; \$200.00—Street Openings. Total fees turned over to the Township Manager, \$1,300.00.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

Total calls in NVT, 576; total arrests in NVT, 36. Total calls in Wilmerding, 174; total arrests in Wilmerding, 3.

Prisoner housing statistics: East McKeesport, 5; East Pittsburgh, 20; Turtle Creek, 6.

K-9 Statistics: Protection on Traffic Stop/Incident, 6; Training, 2; Out of town assist (Turtle Creek, Monroeville, Pitcairn), 4; Area search, 1; Community Oriented Policing, 9; Narcotics Vehicle Search, 4; DANET assist, 3; Apprehension (no bite), 2; Alarm building search, 4; Article search (Wilmerding Homicide), 1; Prisoner cell extraction/insertion assist, 1.

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Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize Susan Nehrig to attend a Civil Service Training seminar on May 7th at a cost of \$175.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to hire Jack Goblesky as a dispatch trainee at a rate of \$10.49/hour.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to purchase 10 Tasers from Taser International in the amount of \$12,225.45 through Costars.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to go out for bids to purchase a used Chevy Suburban for the Traffic Officer.

ROLL CALL: *G. Beswick, no; F. Bivins, yes; S. Juliano, yes; D. Mitchell, yes; V. Paradine, yes; R. Saula, yes; G. Thompson, yes. Motion carries.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to nominate James Matrazzo to the Civil Service Commission to perform a non-competitive Chief of Police exam.

ROLL CALL: *G. Beswick, no; F. Bivins, yes; S. Juliano, yes; D. Mitchell, yes; V. Paradine, yes; R. Saula, yes; G. Thompson, yes. Motion carries.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by V. Paradine, to contract Jadell Minniefield Construction Services, Inc. to demolish 22 ½ Kline Ave. in the amount of \$6,800.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Saula read a letter from Chief of Police Scott Farally, of Pitcairn Borough, thanking NVPD for their assistance in serving search warrants and taking 5 individuals into custody for narcotics distribution in which they also recovered numerous stolen items.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Problem properties reported, 12; Code violations identified, 24; Code Violation letters sent, 7; Code Violation letters sent via Certified Mail, 2; Complaints filed with NVPD, 2; Citations issues for garbage/rubbish, 6.

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Fire Code Official Report: Commercial business inspections, 15; Open Burn written advisements given to property owner, 4; Cause and origin determination, 3; Assisted arrest Allegheny Co. Detective Jason Costanzo (Arson), 1; Educational fire prevention presentations to Twp. residents and businesses, 3; Fire lane parking tags issues, 3.

FIRE:

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize payment to West Wilmerding in the amount of \$2,881.80 from the Fire Tax Money.

ROLL CALL: *G. Beswick, no; F. Bivins, yes; S. Juliano, yes; D. Mitchell, yes; V. Paradine, yes; R. Saula, yes; G. Thompson, yes. Motion carries.*

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize payment to Crestas VFC in the amount of \$1,460.91 from the Fire Tax Money.

ROLL CALL: *G. Beswick, no; F. Bivins, yes; S. Juliano, yes; D. Mitchell, yes; V. Paradine, yes; R. Saula, yes; G. Thompson, yes. Motion carries.*

ROAD DEPT:

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to advertise for summer help.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to share in the paving of Congress Street with East McKeesport at a cost of \$13,500.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Two successful events were held, the Commissioners Easter Bunny Breakfast and an Easter Egg Hunt at Crestas Park. Feedback was positive from Township Residents.

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to purchase a set of bleachers for Crestas Field in the amount of \$2,190.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

SANITARY AUTHORITY: *None.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Work has begun on the replacement of the bridge deck for the Osborne St. Bridge Project. That work will be about 4 weeks until they put a new deck on the bridge. A detour is involved with this project.

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The West Wilmerding Park renovation project is in progress and should be completed by the end of May.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: *Executive session held prior to regular business meeting.*

OLD BUSINESS: *None.*

NEW BUSINESS: *None.*

COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS:

Commissioner Saula thanked Lisa Green, Parks and Recreation Director, for the hard work put into the recent Easter events. Lisa thanked all the volunteers and the Fire Departments involved for their assistance.

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by F. Bivins, to adjourn.

All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned.


Township Manager