

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD December 20, 2012

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*Welcome everybody to the Speak Out meeting for the month of December.*

### ***PLEDGE TO THE FLAG!***

*A moment of silence in memory of the victims of the Newtown, Connecticut tragedy.*

*Regular meeting was called to order by G. Thompson, President.*

*The regular meeting was held at 7:20 PM 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; A. Marra, present; D. Mitchell, present, R. Saula, present; G. Thompson, present.*

### **PUBLIC SPEAK OUT SESSION:**

*Jack Cambest, N.V.T.S.A. Solicitor, spoke on Sanitary Authority rates.*

*John Conners, 1714 Howell St., questions about a gas station being developed on Luehm, Police service in Wilmerding, and water run-off from the business by his house.*

*Bill Weishorn, 1710 Howell St., has concerns about the speeding on Howell St. in the mornings and after work.*

*Beverly Manz, 306 Kline Ave., thanked the Board for their efforts in getting lines painted at the Great Valley Shopping Center.*

*Tom Koenig, 583 1<sup>st</sup> St., garbage was not being picked up on a regular basis.*

*There was an executive session held prior to the meeting for personnel matters.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to approve the minutes from the Commissioner's Meeting held on November 15, 2012.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by D. Mitchell, to approve the minutes from the Budget Meeting held on November 20, 2012.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to adopt Ordinance #1072 on Pawnbroker and Second Hand Dealers.*

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**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize the Township Solicitor to consult with the Authority Solicitor concerning a potential challenge to the legality of the Host Fee imposed by The City of McKeesport on the Municipal Authority of the City of McKeesport in the approximate amount of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize the consideration of amending the Townships Act 537 Plan to consider economic feasibility for transporting the current sewage sent to The Municipal Authority of the City of McKeesport to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

**BIDS:** *None.*

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

*Commissioner Thompson thanked everyone involved in the Christmas Party held on 12/8/12, with a special thanks to Emilia Peiffer and the EA Honor students for their participation. It was a huge success.*

*Also, training has been completed on the new garbage billing system and the new bills will be going out in January and payments will now be accepted at the Township building. Recycle calendars were in the paper last week. Copies are available at the Township Office.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint Albie Antimary to the Sanitary Authority Board for a five year term.*

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

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to appoint Vince Paradine to the Sanitary Authority Board for a five year term.*

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

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint Suzanne Wagner to the Zoning Board of Adjustments Board for a three year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

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*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint James Watts to the Zoning Board of Adjustments Board for a three year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint Louise Beswick to the Library Board for a three year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *G. Beswick, abstain; F. Bivins, yes; S. Juliano, yes; A. Marra, yes; D. Mitchell, yes, R. Saula, yes; G. Thompson, yes. Motion carries.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint Kathy Vozar to the Library Board for a three year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to reappoint John Hunt to the Library Board for a three year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

*Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to reappoint Steve Latsko to the Vacancy Board for a one year term.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

### **BANK REPORT:**

*As of November 30, 2012: General Fund \$1,975,275.65; Refuse Account, \$56,410.77; Sinking Fund 1998, \$319.92; Tentative Escrow Account, \$1,590.61; State Motor Fund, \$70,132.93; Health Reimbursement Account, \$3,549.00.*

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

*Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of November, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; November 2011 Township Tax at Penalty, \$821.56; 2012 Township Tax at Penalty, \$7,966.21; November Share of Sales Tax, \$26.*

*Fire Department Fund beginning balance, \$35,388.36; + Deposit of \$337.37; + Interest of \$.29; Ending balance as of 11/30/2012, \$35,726.02.*

### **FINANCE:**

*Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by R. Saula, to approve a list of bills payable in the amount of \$395,308.24 when funds become available.*

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**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to authorize Keystone Collections to file 243 liens for uncollected 2009 Real Estate Taxes at a cost of \$4,860.00

**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve Ordinance #1073 appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the specific purposes of the Municipal Government herein set forth during the year 2013.

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

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve the 2013 budget in the amount of \$6,384,823.00 for the General Fund; \$189,600.00, Fire Tax; \$216,213.00, Liquid Fuels; \$40,480.00, 1998 Sinking Fund; and \$21,560.00, AIM Loan.

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

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to transfer \$10,119.16 to the 1998 Sinking Fund for a bond payment due 1/1/13.

**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to establish a Capital Expenditures account and transfer \$500,000.00 into that account.

**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

### **BLDG PERMITS-ORDINANCE:**

Total fees collected, \$3,188.00.

### **POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Total calls in NVT, 570; total arrests in NVT, 24. Total calls in Wilmerding, 188; total arrests in Wilmerding, 10.

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to accept the resignation of Part Time Police Officer Gary Martin who has secured a full time position elsewhere.

**ROLL CALL:** All in Favor.

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*Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to temporarily hire Mobarick Abdullah to replace Dorothy Mullen as School Crossing Guard while she is out of town.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in Favor.*

*Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to direct the Civil Service Commission to begin the testing process for Part Time Police.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in Favor.*

**FIRE:** *None.*

**ROAD:**

*The 4 salt spreaders were put out for bid for the second time and no bids were received.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to place an order for 2 2013 Ford F550 from Hondru Ford through Costars.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in Favor.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize West Penn Communications to repair the antennas on the road department trucks that are having reception problems for a cost of \$75.00 per truck.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in Favor.*

**SANITARY AUTHORITY:**

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by D. Mitchell, to approve the NVT Sanitary Authority Budget for 2013 in the amount of \$3,080,608.00*

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

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize the Manager to advertise an ordinance increasing the Sanitary rates for possible passage at next month's meeting.*

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

**SENIORS:** *None.*

**PARKS & RECREATION:** *None.*

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

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*CD 38 Demolition of 2503 Clyde has been completed.*

*Likar will be starting work on the Community Center and Municipal Building roof after materials are received and when the weather permits.*

*The replacement of 3 lintels above garage doors at the rear of the municipal building has been completed and looks great.*

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** *None.*

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

*Problem properties reported, 9; onsite inspections, 9; verbal warnings, 2; Code Violations identified, 25; Code Violation letters sent, 7;; citations issued and forwarded to District Magistrate, 7; Citations withdrawn per discretion of the NVT Sanitary Authority, 2; Court appearances, 2; Complaints forwarded to Code Compliance Office by NVP, 1; amusement device fees collected, 1.*

**OLD BUSINESS:** *None.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*E-waste is not going to be picked up by normal garbage beginning in January, 2013. Website has information of where you can take those restricted items. Township is looking into setting up a recycling drop off.*

*Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to authorize advertisement for the monthly speak out meetings to be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, with the regular monthly business meeting immediately following.*

**ROLL CALL:** *All in favor.*

**COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS:**

*Commissioners wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year!*

*Motion by S. Juliano to adjourn.*

*Seconded by F. Bivins.*

*All in favor.*

*Meeting Adjourned!*

  
Township Manager