

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2011

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

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG!

Regular meeting was called to order by R. Grimes, President.

The regular meeting was held at 7:30 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: *Beswick, present; Bivins, present; Dull, present; Grimes, present; Juliano, present; Marra, present; Mitchell, present.*

PUBLIC SPEAK OUT SESSION:

Sally Sahene, 206 Canterbury Lane, received a bill for Refuse from Turtle Creek Valley COG and noted that on the bill it does not say "Remit to:" anywhere on it. Also thanked the Denny Parafenuk and the Road Department for picking up Christmas tree.

Carol Lewis, 1600 Rosedale St. #318, complaints about apartment building needing one more dumpster. This is not the Township responsibility, it is commercial property.

Brien Hranics, Mayor of Port Vue. spoke about Port Authority cuts. On February 26th at 11:00 am, he encourages members from all affected communities, as well as local leadership, to join in a Solidarity March from the Port Vue Borough Building down through Lysle Blvd. in McKeesport to the McKeesport Transportation Center to raise awareness and to express displeasure/disappointment in proposed bus route eliminations.

Richard Palocsko, 1600 Rosedale St., Port Authority service complaint. Also, wanted to know why there is no street sign for Rosedale St. Chief DiCenzo informed that Rosedale St. is not a Twp. road; Brandywine is responsible for a sign.

Jeff Hrabak, 5 Blanchard Lane, fifth complaint of road not being salted or plowed. Left messages on voicemail for R. Grimes and A. Marra. Road deemed a problem spot by Road Dept. Superintendant, not enough room to turn plow around.

Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by D. Dull, to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting on January 26th, 2011.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS: *None*

BIDS: *None*

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BANK REPORT:

As of January 31st 2011: General Fund \$768,537.79; Refuse Account, \$19,559.11; Sinking Fund 1998, \$3,307.04; Sinking Fund 2002, \$10,650.72; Tentative Escrow Account, \$759.50; State Motor Fund, \$0.12; Fire Dept. West Wilmerding #3, \$0.72.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of January 2011, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; 2010 Township Tax at Penalty, \$20,501.28; January's Share of Sales Tax, \$21,893.37; Fire Department Fund, Beginning Balance, \$45,362.21; + Deposit \$1,464.37; + Interest of \$1.93; Balance as of 1/31/2011, \$46,828.51.

FINANCE:

Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to pay bills for the month of January 2011 in the amount of \$180,599.22 when funds become available.

ROLL CALL: *All in Favor.*

Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve attaching an Automated Funds Investment (AFI) service to our General Fund Account allowing the account to earn interest or dividends on excess balances held in the account automatically by utilizing the AFI sweep product. The sweep is a collateralized 102%.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by S. Juliano, to send any interested NVT Commissioner to a conference held at Seven Springs with money already allotted in the budget.

ROLL CALL: *Beswick, No; Bivins, Yes; Dull, Yes; Grimes, Yes; Juliano, Yes; Marra Yes; Mitchell, No. Motion carries.*

Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by S. Juliano, to appoint P.J. Schwer as part-time Code Enforcement Officer at a rate of \$12.00/hr for 24 hours/week.

ROLL CALL: *Beswick, Yes; Bivins, Yes; Dull, Yes; Grimes, No; Juliano, Yes; Marra Yes; Mitchell, No. Motion carries.*

BLDG PERMITS-ORDINANCE:

For the month of January 2011; 4 Building permits for, \$1,164.00, 1 Street opening for \$300.00, 8 zoning certificates for \$400.00. Totaling \$1,864.00 turned over to the township.

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POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

Total calls in NVT, 548; total arrests in NVT, 24; total calls in Wilmerding, 190; totally arrests in Wilmerding; domestic calls, 14; driving under the influence, 2; public intoxication, 3; theft reports, 16; traffic accidents, 40; citations issued, 333; non-traffic citations, 34; warrant arrests & wanted persons, 2.

FIRE:

Structure fire, 1; false alarm, 1; smoke investigation, 3. 50 man hours to the Township. Crestas Terrace station 212 responded 1 time; Sunset Station 213 responded 15 times, Green Valley Station, responded 17 times. In Township calls, 19; Assists from other towns; East McKeesport, 1; Turtle Creek, 2. Assists to other towns; City of McKeesport, 1.

Ambulance calls, total 126; NVT calls, 120; Assists to other towns, 6. E. McKeesport, 2; White Oak, 1; City of McKeesport, 1; N. Huntingdon Twp., 1; Assists from other towns; East McKeesport, 1; White Oak, 5; STAT Paramedic Unit, 4; Forest Hills, 2.

Motion made by D. Mitchell, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve Resolution No. 2011-003 amending the Civil Service Rules and Regulations at section 3.4 – Age and Residency, 4.4 – Written Examinations and 4.5- Oral Examinations.

ROLL CALL: Beswick, No; Bivins, No; Dull, Yes; Grimes, Yes; Juliano, Yes; Marra, No; Mitchell, Yes. Motion carries.

Motion made by D. Mitchell, seconded by S. Juliano, to table Ordinance No. 1056 delineating the safety and fire protection policies for the Volunteer Fire Departments serving the Township.

ROLL CALL: All in favor. Motion is tabled.

Motion made by D. Mitchell, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve the 3 year lease of two 2011 Ford Crown Vic. Police Interceptors 3.55 Limited Slip Axle at an annual cost of \$21,366.62 though the SHACOG bid of Day Ford, Inc.

ROLL CALL: Beswick, No; Bivins, Yes; Dull, Yes; Grimes, Yes; Juliano, Yes; Marra, Yes; Mitchell, Yes; Motion carries.

ROAD:

Snow removal, 144; cold patch, 76; mulch mix, 8; equipment maintenance, 146; building maintenance, 127; mechanic-road dept. vehicles, 50; mechanic-police dept. vehicles, 16; one calls, 11; loader operator, 101; recycling, 66; road signs, 14; traffic related (deer removal), 3; road repair, 6. Road Department Total Man Hours, 768. Overtime hours for snow removal, 93; traffic related (accident scene erect four way stop signs at damaged traffic lights), 27; Total Overtime hours worked, 120.

Road Department spending report for Feb. 1-17, 201. Outside truck repair, \$1,700.00; truck maintenance materials and parts, \$1,515.62; plumbing repair, \$255.00; safety

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supplies, \$123.48; carpet cleaning, \$195.00; boiler repair, \$317.00 for a total of \$4,106.10.

Total Gasoline used for the Month of January, 2011; Road Department, 1,379; Police Department, 2,122; Totaling: 3,501. Total cost of gasoline: \$9,132.46. Total hours worked by the Road Department, 1,589.

SENIORS:

N. Versailles Township Senior Citizens Center sponsored an annual Valentine's Day party on Thursday, February 10th, 2011 at 11:00am. A lasagna dinner was served. There was a crowning of the King (Charles Bernath) and Queen (Gennie Pavlos) of Hearts, and a special treat was given to each senior in attendance.

PARKS & RECREATION:

The North Versailles Twp. Parks and Recreation Dept. held its annual "Homemade Valentine Contest". E. Allegheny, Praise Assembly Academy, E. Allegheny Family Center, Green Valley and Logan Middle School all participated. Prizes were awarded and the winners were announced on February 12, 2011 at their respective schools. The list is also on display at the Township Municipal Building.

SANITARY AUTHORITY:

A motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to approve the debt ordinance to guarantee the North Versailles Township Sanitary Authority bond issue in an amount not to exceed \$4,630,000.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

None.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Brief executive session was held to discuss litigation matters and contractual personnel issues.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by D. Mitchell, to appoint James Harper to the North Versailles Township Planning Commission for the term of 4 years beginning January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

ROLL CALL: *Beswick, No; Bivins, No; Dull, Yes; Grimes, Yes; Juliano, Yes; Marra, Yes; Mitchell, Yes. Motion carries.*

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Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by D. Mitchell, to appoint Brian Weber to the North Versailles Township Planning Commission for the term of 4 years beginning January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by A. Marra, to approve Ordinance No. 1055 approving collection procedures and adopting penalty, interest and schedule of attorney fees to be added to the amount collected as part of Municipal claims for delinquent accounts.

ROLL CALL: *Beswick, No; Bivins, Yes; Dull, Yes; Grimes, Yes; Juliano, Yes; Marra, Yes; Mitchell, Yes. Motion carries.*

Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by A. Marra, to approve Allison Serakowski attending the seminar, Transparency in PA Local Governments: What Law Requires on February 23, 2011 at CCAC, Boyce Campus at a cost of \$35.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by A. Marra, to approve Ordinance No. 1057 authorizing Dale Alley as a no parking roadway.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS:

D. Dull working on getting North Versailles involved in the gas supplying business. Residents in the Township who come through N. Versailles to get their fuel, would receive anywhere from an 8-10% savings per month and in return the Township would be reimbursed \$1.00-\$2.00 per household.

Moment of silence held for Ed Logan, former Township employee.

Moment of silence on behalf of Sally Sahene, on the passing of her husband Ron.

Motion by S. Juliano to adjourn

Seconded by D. Dull

Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned!!


Township Administrator