

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD June 19, 2014

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

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:

Louise Beswick, Friends of the N. Versailles Public Library, presented the Reading Garden development slideshow, an Eagle Scout project completed by Justin Welch of Boy Scout Troop 85.

Bud Pusey, 505 Greensburg Pike, has interest in some of the properties on the condemned list for use by the Fire Dept. Solicitor notes that they are structurally unsound.

Sally Sahene, 206 Canterbury Ln., thanked the Road Dept. Commissioner for the patch job done on Isaac St. Secondly, would like the fire departments to be audited. And, feels there is a conflict of interest for Russ Saula Trucking to work with El Grande Industries. Commissioner Saula never voted on that contract, he abstained. No conflict of interest.

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to approve the minutes from the Commissioners meeting held on May 15, 2014.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PUBLIC HEARING: *None.*

BIDS: *None.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize a donation to the EA Soccer Team in the amount of \$40.00

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to pass Resolution No. 2014-601 recognizing the NVT Public Library as a Civic Association under the Small Games of Chance License requirements.

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ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to sign a lease agreement with the NVT Library for use of the Community Center at no charge.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by F. Bivins, to retain the services of Valuation Engineers Inc. to prepare an appraisal of the Township properties in the amount of \$3,250.00, with an annual revaluation service fee of \$325.00/year for 5 years.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Thompson announced a special program from the Allegheny County Vacant Property Program waiving and reducing certain fees for acquiring vacant properties in the Township. Information is available on our website or at the Township office.

BANK REPORT:

As of June 30, 2014: General Fund \$1,847,552.65; Refuse Account, \$200,654.08; PIB Loan Proceeds, \$967,071.63; Tentative Escrow Account, \$10.40; State Motor Fund, \$149,143.73; Health Reimbursement Account, \$4,553.92; Capital Expenditures Account, \$1,399,623.79.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of May, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; 2013 Township Tax at Penalty, \$5,314.91; 2014 Township Tax at Discount, \$787,236.03; May's share of Sales Tax, \$28,484.50.

Fire Department Fund beginning balance, \$61,786.36; + Deposits of \$55,300.81; + Interest of \$0.52; -\$5,364.12 – F.D.N.V.; -\$1,500.00 – West Wilmerding V.F.D.; -\$90.00 – Service Charge; -\$780.69 – Exonerations. Ending balance as of 5/31/14, \$109,352.36.

Motion made by F. Bivins, Seconded by V. Paradine, to authorize refunds due to tax exonerations to the following: Janice DiLucente, L&B 456-M-104, \$169.10, L&B 456-M-220, \$316.04; J&J Holdings, LP, L&B 644-M-200, \$85.98 & L&B 645-C-45, \$543.54 for a total of \$1,114.66.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

FINANCE:

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve the list of bills payable and paid in the amount of \$239,140.42.

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Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize payment from the PIB Loan to El Grande in the amount of \$403,157.37 for the 2013/2014 Paving Project.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize payment from the PIB Loan to Glenn Engineering in the amount of \$9,152.50 for paving inspections.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

BLDG PERMITS-ORDINANCE:

Total fees turned over to the Township Manager, \$840.00. Building Permits—\$40.00; Street Openings—\$200.00; Zoning Certificates—\$600.00.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

Total calls in NVT, 655; total arrests in NVT, 25. Total calls in Wilmerding, 224; total arrests in Wilmerding, 6.

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by G. Beswick, to pass Resolution No. 2014-602 in support of Senate Bill 1340 and House Bill 1272 enabling Municipal Police to use the same motor vehicle speed timing equipment as the State Police.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by V. Paradine, to purchase and install a new server at the Police Station from Norman Allen in the amount of \$9,979.08.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by V. Paradine, to add the Police Computers to the Administration's service agreement with Norman Allen at a cost of \$187.00/month.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by V. Paradine, to authorize Officer Chris Kelly to attend an Advanced Handgun Training course in October at a cost of \$525.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Saula thanked everyone for their help with the Bike Rodeo. It was a great success.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Problem properties reported, 78; On site inspections, 68; Code violations identified, 108; Verbal Warnings, 7; Code Violation letters sent, 43; Code Violation Registered letters sent, 18; Number of structures found unfit for human occupancy, 1; Number of abandoned properties cut by Road Dept., 14.

Public Service Announcement from the Code Enforcement Officer stating that: No inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any premises, and no vehicle, at any time, be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.

FIRE:

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by S. Juliano, to authorize payment to Crestas in the amount of \$1,104.93 from the Fire Tax Money.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize payment to West Wilmerding in the amount of \$10,213.00 from the Fire Tax Money.

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

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by S. Juliano, to authorize payment to FDNV in the amount of \$19,718.65 from the Fire Tax Money.

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

ROAD DEPT:

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize the purchase of a 2014 Ford F350 Crew Cab Pickup Truck with spreader and plow from Day Ford through CoStars in the amount of \$49,956.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Free Summer Lunch Program has started at the St. John's Lutheran Church, sponsored by NVT. Hot lunches are available for children 18 and under, Monday—Friday 11:00am—1:00pm. Parks and Rec. Dept. is looking for volunteers to help do crafts and play games with the children during the lunch time.

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Tickets for the Idlewild Picnic on Friday July 25th can be purchased through the Parks and Rec. office. Registration has been extended until the 1st week of July. Tickets are \$25.00. Includes bus transportation if needed, park admission, and catered buffet meal.

Summer Library and Twp. Rec. programs started this week for children and adults. Visit the Library and Parks & Rec. office to register for upcoming events. Events are also listed on the Township website and announced in the Daily News.

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize purchase of backboards, swing set and kick mats for West Carter Park in the amount of \$6,150.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by V. Paradine, to authorize purchase of toddler swings for Washington Road Park in the amount of \$386.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize purchase backboards, swing sets seats and line painting for Dixon Park in the amount of \$5,370.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

SANITARY AUTHORITY: *None.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize the Engineer to advertise for bids for the repair of the Osborne Street Bridge.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize the Engineer to advertise for bids for the construction of the Salt Building roof.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Motion made by V. Paradine, seconded by F. Bivins, to approve the property assessment appeals values on Wal Mart and K Mart.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by R. Saula, to advertise an ordinance establishing a process for enforcing distraints to enable to Township to collect real estate

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taxes; establishing a civil penalty for tenants in possession who refuse to comply with a distraint notice; effective date.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

OLD BUSINESS: *None.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Mitchell would like the Township to address a tree that is falling down on Hawthorne St. President Thompson will take a look.

President Thompson stated that Officer Slivka and his wife were involved in a motorcycle accident on Father's Day and both are now home recovering. We wish them both well.

Motion by G. Beswick to adjourn.

Seconded by F. Bivins

All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned.


Township Manager