

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MAY 19, 2011

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*Welcome everybody to the speak out meeting for the month of May.*

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

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

*The regular meeting was held at 7:50 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:**

*Loretta Lynn Gagetta, 140 Robin St., has concerns over property lines. A neighbor informed her that branch on her property fell and hit their vehicle. The tree is located against a guardrail on Lawrence St. right above her property. Her property ends 8 feet below Lawrence St. however the Township Ordinance states that she is responsible for the tree trimming on the Township right-of-way.*

*Sally Sahene, 206 Canterbury Ln., feels that the Township needs a noise ordinance. The Solicitor and Chief of Police both say that a noise ordinance is very hard to enforce. Also, complains that the traffic going into Dunkin' Donuts extends all the way onto Rt 30.*

*Lana Starcher, 180 Central Ave., has a neighbor that parks a large box truck in their driveway which is against Township ordinance. Spoke to police, the resident was cited once before and it was thrown out by the Magistrate, who stated that the ordinance is no longer enforceable.*

*Connie McHugh, 445 London Ave., complaints about the vacant house located at 872 Sylvan Ave.*

*Gena Romano, 431 Woodland Rd., wanted an update on the alley behind Woodland Rd. President Grimes has contacted several officials and states that the situation is being reviewed daily.*

*Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by D. Mitchell, to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting held April 21, 2011.*

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

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** *None*

**BIDS:** *None*

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### **BANK REPORT:**

*As of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011: General Fund \$844,642.55; Refuse Account, \$112,202.63; Sinking Fund 1998, \$182.76; Sinking Fund 2002, \$10,650.72; Tentative Escrow Account, \$1,886.19; State Motor Fund, \$167,448.13; Fire Dept. West Wilmerding #3, \$0.00; Public Fund Business Premier Savings Account, \$18,444.72.*

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

*Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of April 2011, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; 2010 Township Tax at Penalty, \$24,882.35; March's Share of Sales Tax, \$20,018.46; Fire Department Fund, Beginning Balance, \$49,129.57; + Deposit \$21,862.60; + Interest of \$1.81; Balance as of 4/30/2011, \$40,993.98.*

*Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by F. Bivins, to approve payment of 2 exonerations for the year 2011 in the amount of \$1,027.66.*

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

### **FINANCE:**

*Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by F. Bivins, to pay the list of bills for the month of April 2011 in the amount of \$83,020.87 when funds become available.*

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

*Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to accept the audit for 12/31/2009.*

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

*Motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to make a donation in the amount of \$50.00 to East Allegheny Football program.*

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

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

*For the month of April 2011; 5 Building permits for a total of \$307.00, 5 street opening permits for a total of \$505.00, 15 zoning certificates for a total of \$750.00, 14 zoning certificates for a total of \$700.00. Totaling \$1,512.00 turned over to the Township.*

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

*Total calls in NVT, 593; total arrests in NVT, 37; total calls in Wilmerding, 185; total arrests in Wilmerding 11; assists to ambulance, 82; assist to other police departments, 19; domestic calls, 21; driving under the influence, 11; fire call assist by police, 16; public intoxication, 1; retail theft, 9; theft report, 25; traffic accidents, 22; citations issued, 424; non-traffic citations, 30; warrant arrests & wanted persons, 2.*

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### **FIRE:**

65 man hours to the Township. Crestas Terrace station 212 responded 2 times; Sunset Station 213 responded 23 times, Green Valley Station 214, responded 21 times. Assists from other towns; Turtle Creek, 3; East McKeesport, 1. Assists to other towns, 1.

Ambulance calls, total 120; NVT calls, 112; Assist from other towns, 8; E. McKeesport, 3; White Oak, 5; Forest Hills, 1; Stat Paramedic Unit, 3. Assists to other towns; East McKeesport, 6; Wilmerding, 1; White Oak, 1.

The North Versailles Police Dept. is pleased to announce the return of the annual Bicycle Rodeo on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the K-Mart Plaza. The event is open to ages 3-14 with no residency restrictions. Bicycle helmets to be given away, while supplies last. Various prizes will be raffled off during the event. The Fire Department and possibly a Medical Helicopter may be there..

Motion made by D. Mitchell, seconded by G. Beswick, to approve an ordinance authorizing the Township's participation in the TCVCOG Joint Police Testing Program.

**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

### **ROAD:**

Road Department Total Man Hours, 1,326. Grounds maintenance Municipal Building, 28; parks, 20; cold patch, 10; mulch mix, 4; equipment maintenance, 123; building maintenance, 18; mechanic-road dept. vehicles, 134; mechanic-police dept. vehicles, 16; clean out basins, 99; loader operator, 63; recycling, 76; road signs, 15; basin repair or replace, 288; road repair, 32; vactor basins, 12; litter clean up, 23; clear streams, 12. Total regular hours, 973.

Road Department spending report for April. Outside truck repair, \$0.00; janitor supplies, \$381.92, D.C.E.D. grant money, \$1,970.97, D.C.E.D. grant money spent, \$1,970.97; truck repair parts, \$725.54; back hoe repair parts, \$649.48; loader repair parts, \$284.32; paving material, \$970.20; basins, \$762.50; materials to repair basins, \$2,181.00; signs, \$25.00. Total spending, \$5,979.96.

Total Gasoline used for the Month of April, 2011; Road Department, 467; Police Department, 1,766; Totaling: 2,233. Total cost of gasoline: \$7,386.86.

Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by S. Juliano, to advertise 3 positions for Summer Help at the rate of \$9.50/hour, and they must be a resident of North Versailles.

**ROLL CALL:** All in favor.

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*Motion made by D. Dull, seconded by S. Juliano, to put out to bid a 1994 Jeep and a 1998 GMC 1-ton dump truck and advertise these vehicles "as is".*

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

### **SENIORS:**

*N. Versailles Township Senior Citizens Center held their annual Easter Mother's Day dinner on May 5<sup>th</sup>. There were 75 Seniors in attendance. Spring flowers were presented as door prizes and each lady in attendance received a box of chocolates.*

*The N. Versailles Senior Citizens Center took the Seniors to the Annual County Seniors Celebration in the Park at South Park on Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. All enjoyed a breakfast, a box lunch, Bingo, entertainment, and information from over 60 vendors.*

*The annual Father's Day dinner will be held on June 16<sup>th</sup> at the N. Versailles Community Center. A dinner of either Swiss Steak or Broiled Scrod will be served. Fruit baskets will be given as door prizes and all men in attendance will receive lottery tickets.*

### **PARKS & RECREATION:**

*The North Versailles Twp. Parks and Recreation Dept. will be sponsoring the Summer Lunch Program starting June 20<sup>th</sup> and it will run until August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The Parks and Rec. Dept. is requesting use of the Community Center for the site of the Summer Lunch Program. Other sites include: St. John's Lutheran Church, Green Valley, E. McKeesport—Chicora St., St. Peter and Paul Ukranian Church and Wall Boro.*

*Also, the Parks and Recreation Dept. is requesting authorization to plan and implement a scaled-down recreation program similar to last year. The Dept. is also in need of help for 1 week to type up programs to circulate among the schools in the Township.*

*Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to allow Robert L. Spencer the use of Crestas Community Park on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011.*

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

### **SANITARY AUTHORITY:**

*None.*

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

*Township Engineer, David Gilliland, reports that there is a new Pennsylvania law that went into effect April 25, 2011, that permits municipalities to deny building permits to residents who are delinquent with taxes, refuse, and other municipal fees.*

*CDBG Grant applications are due May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the TCVCOG. The list of projects being applied for are: Markle St. retaining wall, Mason Alley hillside stabilization, reconstruction of 3 streets, demolition of 5 houses, re-paving basketball courts in Crestas Park.*

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*Motion made by A. Marra, Seconded by G. Beswick, to apply for CDBG Grant.*

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

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

*Brief executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss potential litigation and Township property.*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*D. Mitchell met with Congressman Doyle's office and Senator Brewster's office in regards to Township roads. He said they told him there is no money, so they suggested sending a cost sheet and list of the worst streets in the Township so they can try to work with us when the money comes in. It would cost over \$500,000.00 to fix just 10 streets.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*A motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to complete the Estimated Requirements form from SHACOG for the 2011 Rock Salt Bid which will commit us to purchase at least 80% of our estimated annual rock salt requirements from the lowest responsible bidder.*

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

*A motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to approve the resolution for establishing annual fees.*

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

*A motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, for Glenn Engineering to prepare bid specifications and advertise for paving.*

*A (subsidiary) motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to table the motion for Glenn Engineering to prepare bid specifications and advertise for paving.*

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

*A motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to reject all the bids received for the 2 roof projects.*

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

*A motion made by A. Marra, seconded by G. Beswick, to rebid the roof project.*

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

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### COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS:

*The Delta briefing that was scheduled for May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011, has been rescheduled June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 6:00pm for the Commissioners and 7:30pm for the general public.*

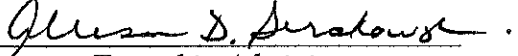
*The Bicycle Rodeo sponsored by the N. Versailles Police Department is scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in the K-Mart parking lot from 11:00am—2:00pm.*

*Motion by A. Marra to adjourn*

*Seconded by G. Beswick*

*Motion carried.*

*Meeting Adjourned!!*

  
*Allison D. Seratowski*  
Township Administrator