

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD September 19, 2013

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

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG!

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

The regular meeting was held at 7:00 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, absent; D. Mitchell, present, R. Saula, present; G. Thompson, present.*

A brief executive session for personnel matters was held prior to the public speak out meeting.

PUBLIC SPEAK OUT SESSION:

Rich Blumette, 232 Greensburg Pike, presented pictures of a deteriorating Markle St. which is behind his residence. Also, three abandoned houses on the street.

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by F. Bivins, to approve the minutes from the Commissioners meeting held August 15, 2013.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

PUBLIC HEARING: *None.*

BIDS: *None*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by S. Juliano, to pass a resolution to participate in the Allegheny County Vacant Property Recovery Program and to execute the Cooperation Agreement for the same.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by R. Saula, to accept the resignation of Susan Wagner from the Library Board dated 8/6/13.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Anyone interested in filling this seat on the Library Board is asked to submit a letter of interest before the first of October to the Township Manager.

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BANK REPORT:

As of September 30, 2013: General Fund \$2,387,616.85; Refuse Account, \$109,646.94; Sinking Fund 1998, \$319.92; Tentative Escrow Account, \$20.87; State Motor Fund, \$143,879.58; Health Reimbursement Account, \$3,454.44; Capital Expenditures Account, \$1,398,122.87.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Money turned over to North Versailles Township for the month of August, by Mary Ann Fetsick, Treasurer; 2012 Township Tax at Penalty, \$2,264.62; 2013 Township Tax at Face, \$80,077.61; August's share of Sales Tax, \$30,941.61.

Fire Department Fund beginning balance, \$196,656.54; + Deposit of \$5,874.10; + Interest of \$1.53; - \$10,873.37 Crestas; - \$8,426.97 F.D.N.V.; - \$2,530.46 West Wilmerding. Ending balance as of 8/31/13, \$180,699.84.

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by R. Saula, to authorize payment of tax refunds due to exonerations to the following: David & Renea Douglas, Lot & Block 459A-145 for \$7.10; Paul & Geraldine Blotzer, Lot & Block 547-P-234 for \$12.80; Thomas Rose, Lot & Block 458-D-124 for \$1,634.86; John Ward, Lot & Block 547-N-39 for \$320.09; and Linda & Gerald Beatty, Lot & Block 548-M-32 for \$516.26, for a total of \$2,491.11.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

FINANCE:

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve the list of bills payable in the amount of \$201,158.58 when funds become available.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to accept the 2012 Audit performed by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood.

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

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to accept the proposal from MRM Trust through the HDH Group for the general liability/auto/police professional insurance to begin October 1, 2013 in the amount of \$66,339.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by S. Juliano, to accept the proposal from H.A.R.I.E. through the HDH Group for Workman's Compensation Coverage to begin October 1, 2013 in the amount of \$302,372.00.

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ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by G. Beswick, to accept the resignation of Part Time Officer Steven McKain, effective September 21, 2013.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by F. Bivins, seconded by R. Saula, to accept the quote from HC Global to install security cameras for the Municipal Building at a cost of \$10,403.40.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

BLDG PERMITS-ORDINANCE:

Total fees turned over to the Township Manager, \$2,250.00. \$615.00 for Building Permits; \$685.00 for Street Openings; \$950.00 for Zoning Certificates.

Motion made by D. Mitchell, seconded by G. Beswick, to authorize payment to Larry Urban for installing a storm inlet and discharge pipe on N. Broadway Ave. in the amount of \$7,342.50.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

Total calls in NVT, 617; total arrests in NVT, 25. Total calls in Wilmerding, 239; total arrests in Wilmerding, 8.

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve the contract between North Versailles Township and East Pittsburgh and Turtle Creek for use of our lock-up.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Saula commended Chief DiCenzo, Officer Silvis and Officer DiCenzo III on their actions talking down a jumper from the Westinghouse Bridge on Sept. 6, 2013.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Problem properties reported, 68; On site inspections, 66; On site verbal warnings, 3; Code Violations identified, 110; Code Violation letters sent, 44; Code Violation Registered letters sent, 24; Number of complaints filed with NVPD, 24.

FIRE:

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve a request from Crestas VFC for \$1,213.50 from the Fire Tax Money.

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

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve a request from West Wilmerding for \$1,913.46 from the Fire Tax Money.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

ROAD DEPT:

Notice to residents that ALOCSAN is having an open house on Saturday, September 21, 2013.

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to authorize Barone & Sons to replace the concrete at the main entrance and sidewalk in front of the Sanitary Authority for the same price as the other side, \$8,300.00

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to accept the amended quote from Kernan Asphalt Sealing to install parking stops in the Municipal Building Parking Lot at a cost of \$2,459.39.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve Change Order #1 on the 2013 Paving Project reducing the contract price from \$2,769,583.70 to \$2,463,217.40.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by S. Juliano, to approve Change Order #2 on the 2013 Paving Project increasing the contract price from Change Order #1 in the amount of \$2,463,217.40 to \$2,592,017.10.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by S. Juliano, to authorize payment of \$360,617.59 from the Capital Improvements Account to El Grande for Invoice #1 of the 2013 Paving Project.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Juliano also notes that we will be providing another e-waste dumpster during the month of October in the front parking lot of the Municipal Building.

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Commissioner Saula asks the residents of the Township to please be patient and courteous with this road paving project.

SENIORS: *None.*

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to purchase backboards and rims for Crestas Park in the amount of \$3,268.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Commissioner Juliano notes that the Summer Parks and Rec. program was a success with a N. Versailles sponsored bus trip to a Pittsburgh Pirates game. There were also 6 Carnegie Science Center camps that were held at the N. Versailles Community Center. Special thanks to Lisa Green for all of her hard work.

The Township will hold their annual Halloween party on Oct. 24th, 2013, at the Haunted Hills Hayride on Rte. 48 in N. Versailles. We will provide hot chocolate, s'mores, and a treat bag for the kids. There will also be a costume and pumpkin decorating contest.

Lastly, field renovation for the Crestas Ball Field is currently in effect.

SANITARY AUTHORITY: *None.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Twp. Engineer notes that the air conditioning units replacement for the Community Center/Library will be underway next week, and completed by the end of the month.

CD39 Demolition Project will be underway in October and completed sometime during Oct.

The Osborne Street Bridge repairs, as mandated by PennDOT's bridge inspection, have been completed and the invoice has been submitted by Lawson Excavation.

Motion made by R. Saula, seconded by F. Bivins, to authorize payment of an invoice to Lawson Excavation for the Osborne Street Bridge Project in the amount of \$36,900.00.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by S. Juliano, to accept the Easement Agreement between Rexam Healthcare Packaging, Inc. (formerly Precise Technology) and North Versailles Township.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

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OLD BUSINESS: *None.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Manager announces the 2014 MMO for the Non-Union Pension Plan in the amount of \$44,674.00 which includes the Sanitary Authority's portion of \$14,184.00.

Motion made by G. Beswick, seconded by R. Saula, to refund American Tire Business Privilege Tax in the amount of \$55,128.28 to be paid in three installments over the next three quarterly periods.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

Motion made by S. Juliano, seconded by G. Beswick, to remove the wife of retired police officer from the Township Hospitalization Plan, but pay her portion of her insurance that will be provided to her by her employer, saving the Township money. The Twp. agrees to reinstate her on the plan, if her current employment coverage is lost or changed.

ROLL CALL: *All in favor.*

COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS: *None.*

Motion by S. Juliano to adjourn to an executive session.

Seconded by R. Saula.

All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned.


Township Manager