
MINUTES

Call to Order:

Mr. Tomasic

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor O'Malley

Roll Call:

Mr. Belmonte	Present	Mr. Porco	Absent
Mr. Burleigh	Present	Mayor O'Malley	Present
Mr. Erbelinger	Present	Janet Sullivan, Tax Collector	Absent
Mr. Karas	Present	Steve Korbel, Solicitor	Present
Mr. Tomasic	Present	David Gilliland, Engineer	Present
Ms. Wood	Present	Steven Morus, Manager	Present

President's Report:

Mr. Tomasic

Mr. Porco is ill and Mr. Tomasic is acting president.

He announced that an executive session was held on Feb. 3 and will have one tonight following the meeting on personnel and labor issues.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor O'Malley

No report

Tax Collector's Report:

Ms. Sullivan

No report

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Williams

Chief Williams presented a report of activities for the beginning of 2011.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Theilacker

No report

Woodland Hills EMS Report:

Adam Knight

No report

Solicitor's Report:

Steve Korbel

No report

Wilkesburg Penn Joint Water Authority Report:

Ms. Broz

Ms. Broz had no report.

Public Comment – Agenda Items

At this time, citizens may address council on any issue appearing on today's agenda. Comments on non-agenda items will be taken at the end of tonight's meeting. Citizens are asked to use the microphone at the speaker's stand, clearly state their name and address for the record and keep comments brief and to the point (5 minutes or less). It would be helpful to spell the last name for the record.

No comments offered.

Committee Reports:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mr. Belmonte

Motion: Move to authorize the borough engineer to prepare and advertise specifications for paving the following streets or street segments under consideration for the 2011 Paving Program with the final determination of streets or segments to be paved subject to change depending on bids received and funds available:

- Castlegate Rd. from Hawthorne to Overdale
- Castlegate Rd. from Overdale to Bevington
- Lafayette Rd. from Ardmore to Circuit Lane
- Woodside Rd. from Forest Hills to newly paved section
- Greenwood Rd. from Woodside to Glasgow
- Hillcrest Rd. from Woodside to Glasgow
- Bryn Mawr Rd. from Morrow to brick pavement
- Center Street from Kenmore to first driveway
- Portage Lane from Rockwood to end
- Avenue G from Avenue F to end

Moved: Mr. Belmonte

Second: Mr. Burleigh

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to authorize the borough engineer to prepare and advertise specifications for slurry seal applications on the following roads or road segments with funds coming from the liquid fuels fund with the final determination of streets or segments to be sealed subject to change depending on bids received and funds available.

- Centurion Dr. from Ardmore to end
- Forest Ridge Dr. from Barclay to end

Moved: Mr. Belmonte
Second: Mr. Erbeldinger

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to rescind a motion of council from its Nov. 17, 2010 meeting that awarded work for Filmore sidewalk and curb repair to Joseph Palmieri Contracting and instead return the award to the low bidder, Palombo Contracting, in the amount of \$12,958.00 providing that proper insurance coverage is established by Palombo with the borough solicitor and with the understanding that work will begin in April 2011 and conclude no later than May 27, 2011.

Moved: Mr. Belmonte
Second: Mr. Erbeldinger

Mr. Korb commented that he spoke with Mr. Palombo today, and he confirmed that he was amenable to all of the terms as set forth in the motion. A letter will be sent tomorrow (February 17, 2011) in which he will sign and return it to us indicating that he is agreeable to these terms.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to approve the purchase of a John Deere Riding Mower with attachments under the state contract at a total cost of \$30,301.87 with \$16,000 of that cost to come from the 2011 Capital Improvements Plan as budgeted and the remainder to come from the 2007 bond issue funds.

Moved: Mr. Belmonte
Second: Mr. Erbedinger

Mr. Karas stated that he had a list of public works stuff and one of the items was a four-wheel drive 2004 John Deere model riding tractor. Is that something that can be used instead of purchasing a new one?

Question was directed to Jim Thielacker. He noted the new one would have a bigger motor and it comes with attachments. He said that we had the money in the capital budget for replacing a tractor anyway so we're just adding to it.

Mr. Karas mentioned and '86 two-wheel drive tractor that we're selling. Jim Thielacker said it wouldn't be worth much because it needs a lot of work; he stated we'd get about \$1,000.

Mr. Belmonte mentioned that he met a representative from John Deere at a local trade show. He asked him how quickly we could get the equipment. Parts are coming from different areas so he asked them to get that going to expedite receipt of the unit as soon as this passes.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Belmonte	Yes
	Mr. Burleigh	Yes
	Mr. Erbedinger	Yes
	Mr. Karas	Yes
	Ms. Wood	Yes
	Mr. Tomasic	Yes

General Report:

1. Members of this committee reviewed a proposal from PennDOT engineer MS Consultants re: the paving of the eastbound side of Ardmore. The firm requested that work be permitted between 8:00 PM and 6:00 AM due to traffic volume, which violates borough ordinance. The committee recommends that, without objection, this request be denied and that they are informed that work should be handled during daylight hours, preferably between 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM.
2. PennDOT informed the borough that it would temporarily acquire (as a temporary construction easement) a portion of the Ardmore median in the southeastern corner of the borough beyond Avenue B to use as part of work on the Electric Avenue viaduct along Route 30. No action on the part of the borough was required and none was requested by committee.

3. Committee members discussed removal of snow on borough property sidewalks. On certain main walk areas that are part of borough property, the committee agreed that without objection of council the foreman should be able to schedule overtime to clear ice and snow. A policy outlining the specifics of this work will be reviewed by the committee in March.
4. Members reviewed a memo from the borough engineer regarding handling sewer lining bids and agreed that the work should be split into two segments as recommended (see also item 6 below).
5. The engineer is in contact with Churchill Borough re: dye testing of Woodland Hills High School property concerning drainage into the Filmore sewer line. A report on the findings will be provided to the engineer once the work is completed.
6. A summary of bids received for sewer lining that were opened in public on Feb. 14, 2011 by Glenn Engineering follows (will be discussed at the March committee meeting):

Bidder	Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P.	Reynolds Inliner	Tri-State Grouting	Root-Rooter	Lake County Sewer Company
Bid Security	Bond 10%	Bond 10%	Bond 10%	Bond 10%	Bond 10%
Part 1 Total A-I -A-36 Incl.	\$100,630.00	\$ 95,518.00	\$ 87,200.00	\$ 98,853.00	\$107,890.98
Part 2 Total B-1 -B-22 Incl.	\$377,150.00	\$279,806.00	\$332,050.00	\$560,317.00	\$420,670.89
Combined Total Parts I and 2 Incl.	\$477,780.00	\$375,324.00	\$419,250.00	\$659,170.00	\$528,561.87

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Erbeldinger

Motion: Move to approve payment of bills for the month of January in the following amounts:

General Fund Budget: \$ 196,246.94
 Capital Improvements Plan: \$ 1,289.00
 Corrective Action Budget: \$ 13,445.43
 Liquid Fuels: \$ 58,377.25

Moved: Mr. Erbeldinger
 Second: Mr. Burleigh

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Detail of Non-General Fund Items:

Capital Improvements Plan: Engineering, power inverter
Corrective Action Budget: Sanitary sewer consent decree work,
ALCOSAN bill
Liquid Fuels: Traffic signals, salt

Motion: Move to exonerate tax collector Janet Sullivan from the collection of all delinquent taxes for 2010 and previous years which have been turned over to the borough office staff for collection.

Moved: Mr. Erbedinger

Second: Mr. Burleigh

Voice Vote – all in favor

Note: Delinquents are sent to Portnoff along with delinquent trash bills for collection.

Motion: Move to pay 25% of excess 2010 RAD funds as required under state law with half provided to the C.C. Mellor Library and the Forest Hills branch and half provided to the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments.

Moved: Mr. Erbedinger

Second: Mr. Burleigh

Note: 25% of the excess amounts to \$2,378.16 or \$1,369.08 to each entity.

Voice Vote – all in favor

General Report:

1. The committee met with Ameriserv, the borough's pension investment company, along with members of the police and non-uniform union to discuss the status of pension investments.

BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Karas

Motion: Move to approve the summer hires as shown on the list attached to this agenda and pending applicant's adherence to our hiring policy on background checks.

Moved: Mr. Karas

Second: Mr. Burleigh

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to remove from the table a motion to award a contract for elevator repair work.

Moved: Mr. Karas
Second: Ms. Wood

Note: Like the motion "to table" this motion must be seconded, is not debatable or amendable, and requires a majority vote.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to award the contract for elevator repair work to Otis Elevator in the amount of \$18,039.95 with funds to come from the 2007 bond issue.

Moved: Mr. Karas
Second: Ms. Wood

Bids received as follows:

Bidder	Amount – one jack/both jacks
Eastern Elevator	\$16,000 / 21,500
Otis Elevator Co.	\$ no bid/ 18,039.95

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas No
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

General Report:

1. Members reviewed a proposal for construction of one or more stealth cell towers on borough property with a company representative and asked that additional information be supplied so that it may be considered at the March 3 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mr. Karas - Stated that a stealth tower is not the same as a regular cell phone tower; it's sort of a small one about the size of the lights that are up at the Westinghouse field. There are also smaller ones that are possible. They rent the space, so we're in very preliminary discussions on how much rental we can get out of it. We haven't committed to anything yet.

2. Cindy Simm presented a memo on recommendations for a dress code for lifeguards/pool staff beginning this summer which the committee recommends adopting without further objection. Designated swimsuits that must be worn while working will be provided to part-time and full-time employees. A full copy of the policy is available from Cindy.
3. Cindy Simm also presented memos to council on the dog park issue, lack of fun in the park applicants (both as employees and participants) and on a summary of safety committee issues from 2010.
4. The committee is reviewing options for reprogramming a grant received from the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources with the assistance of Senator Jay Costa's office.
5. The committee continues to review lighting and energy options at several borough buildings and is waiting for a determination from Allegheny County as to grant funded work that may be scheduled to upgrade the borough building based on the energy audit undertaken by the County.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Karas

General Report:

1. The committee continues to review suggestions for the post of Emergency Management Coordinator.
2. Members reviewed a complaint from a Dinell resident regarding the installation of "no parking from 2 AM to 6 AM" signs and recommended that, without objection of council, no further action is taken.
3. The committee is reviewing the Yost mid block crosswalk because of safety concerns and has asked the engineer to take the lead in possibly eliminating it by consolidation with the crosswalk at Ardmore Blvd.

4. Committee members discussed removal of snow on borough property sidewalks (see also public works discussion earlier).
5. The Crime Watch Committee will be having a night at the races either at the Westinghouse Lodge or at the Pool Lodge. It will take place Saturday May 7th, probably from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m. There will be more information provided at the next meeting.

OPERATIONS & POLICY

Ms. Wood

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2011 council meeting.

Moved: Ms. Wood
 Second: Mr. Burleigh

Voice Vote – all in favor

Motion: Move to approve the appointment of the following residents to the committee shown and for the term indicated:

Committee	First Name	Last Name	Expiration	Duration
Neighborhood Crime Resistance	Merlyn	Trilli	28-Feb-13	2 Years
Neighborhood Crime Resistance	Kathryn	Whitlach	28-Feb-13	2 Years
Planning Commission	Lisa	Michel	28-Feb-15	4 Years
Planning Commission	Scott	McGaw	28-Feb-15	4 Years
Planning Commission (alternate)	Robert	Thompson	28-Feb-15	4 Years
Recreation Board	Tony	Odorisio	28-Feb-14	3 Years
Tree & Shrub Committee	Carolyn	Reuter	28-Feb-14	3 Years
Zoning Hearing Board	George	Handlesman	28-Feb-14	3 Years
Zoning Hearing Board (alternate)	Tony	Odorisio	28-Feb-14	3 Years

Moved: Ms. Wood
 Second: Mr. Karas

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte Yes
 Mr. Burleigh Yes
 Mr. Erbeldinger Yes
 Mr. Karas Yes
 Ms. Wood Yes
 Mr. Tomasic Yes

Motion: Move to join with other members of the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments and the Cohen Law Group to open negotiations on a new franchise agreement with Comcast and to authorize the manager to ensure that this joint venture will include Forest Hills only if it is able to save at least 10% of the attorneys fee of \$8,900.

Moved: Ms. Wood

Second: Mr. Karas

Note: The motion assumes that the borough will save money by joining at least one other community in this effort as outlined in Attorney Dan Cohen's proposal to the COG. Potentially 3 other municipalities will join the effort thereby creating a greater savings in fees. The borough's current agreement with Comcast expires in 2013.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Belmonte	Yes
	Mr. Burleigh	Yes
	Mr. Erbelinger	Yes
	Mr. Karas	Yes
	Ms. Wood	Yes
	Mr. Tomasic	Yes

General Report:

1. The committee noted that the borough's police and public works operation with Chalfant Borough does not qualify for the county's Municipal Service Sharing and Consolidation grant program although it may qualify for the loan program.
2. Council wishes to begin planning for the 2019 borough centennial and will include a notice in the Tree City Times along with a request for volunteers to chair and serve on a committee that will assist in planning events and raising funds. Interested residents should contact the borough office to volunteer soon so that planning may begin.
3. The borough continues to seek applicants for vacancies on various boards and committees and encourages residents to volunteer. Information can be found on the borough website (www.foresthillspa.org) or by contacting the borough manager.
4. The committee discussed the proposed Woodland Hills street banner program and the committee chair indicated that she would provide additional information to all members via email.
5. The committee is reviewing alternative membership plans for the borough pool.

PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Burleigh

General Report:

1. Code Officer Ron Willard presented a monthly report to the committee.
2. The borough manager continues to seek applicants to serve as alternate members of the borough's Zoning Hearing Board for terms to be determined and with council seeking to appoint 1 to 3 alternate members. Contact the borough office for more information.
3. Wilkins Township has temporarily halted their efforts to consider a joint code enforcement operation with the borough until 2012.
4. Members continue to monitor several pending issues including the Bacchus development, oil and gas drilling regulations, use of the environmental advisory council and pursuit of owners of dilapidated properties under Act 90.

Old Business:

Mr. Belmont asked why Wilkins halted the joint code enforcement operation. Mr. Morus said it was because their current code enforcement officer has decided to put off his retirement.

Woodland Hills Sewer Issues

Mr. Tomasic said that in October 2009, we sent a letter to Churchill regarding Woodland Hills High School dye testing. We asked about the Cherry Valley watershed and problems in general. We were assured that they were compliant and always met with a consent order. We received another letter June 8, 2010 regarding serious concerns about the flow. Another letter was sent requesting them to do the dye test.

Mr. Tomasic asked the Borough Engineer, Dave Gilliland, to take the podium and respond.

Mr. Gilliland stated that Churchill, or any other borough that is under the consent degree, was required to do dye testing prior to this date. When he contacted Churchill about this, they stated they were asking Woodland Hills to do their own dye testing. In the event they did not do it in 2011, Churchill had included funds in their budget to do that for them. In a recent discussion with Woodland Hills, they indicated they will have the dye testing done by the end of this week.

Mr. Tomasic mentioned the Administrative Building and wanted to know if we had information on the dye testing of that building.

Mr. Gilliland stated he didn't have any information on that building. He mentioned that maybe Gateway may have gotten it.

Mr. Tomasic asked about the Pace Building also, and Mr. Gilliland stated he didn't have any information on that building.

Mr. Tomasic wanted to know what course of action should be taken regarding the high school. He wanted to make sure this is done so we don't have to come back here in March, possibly after some heavy rains and start saying what's going on here.

Mr. Gilliland stated they have a meeting with Gateway Engineers the first week of March to go over consent decree issues. At that meeting, they intend to ask Gateway if they received any information from Churchill and if we can have copies of that.

Mr. Karas wanted to know if this was the thing that resulted in the Cherry Valley Road issue or the Filmore Road issue.

Mr. Tomasic said it was a combination of both.

Devon Wood mentioned she didn't see why this wasn't an easily resolved issue with several phone calls to expedite this. She said everything should be in writing, but common courtesy would be a phone call.

Mr. Gilliland said if council directs he can call Churchill's Manager and then contact them in writing.

Mr. Tomasic stated that we need to have a trail and have everything in writing so that we can substantiate what they've been telling us for the last two years.

Braddock Road Enforcement Matter – 417 Braddock Road – Mr. Korbel: The owner was cited by Ron Willard for overgrown weeds and grass, failure to maintain gutters and downspouts, and rubbish or garbage on the back porch. Mr. Willard followed up last month with the Magistrate. He refused to find the property owner in violation because there weren't insects or rodents living on the property and dismissed all of the claims. Mr. Korbel advised Mr. Willard that we should wait until the spring and get a picture of a bird or squirrel or something in this area and then go and talk to the Magistrate again. Mr. Korbel stated he has agreed to handle that hearing on behalf of the Borough.

New Business:

Police Regionalization – Devon Wood: Since Forest Hills and Edgewood are now in different magistrate districts, perhaps it's a different implication as to where we're going to proceed or not proceed. She just wanted to bring it to everyone's attention that we will revisit that in the Committee of the Whole next month.

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Thomas Caulfield, District Justice – Discussed the 417 Braddock Road issue

He met with the resident. He's an elderly World War II Veteran recently recovering from cancer surgery and on oxygen, and was making the strides that he could make. He'd like to work with council and the Mayor to see if there are resources to offer assistance to actually find a permanent, lasting solution. He didn't feel that levying fines of \$600 a day until the nuisance was abated was the most effective thing for a gentleman who is living on a very fixed income.

Mr. Karas said other than the Department of Aging is there anything else? We could put together a volunteer group, etc.

Ms. Wood commented that this has been a longstanding problem before this gentleman was this age. She stated she was sympathetic to the resident too, but she was highly disappointed because it sets a precedent where we are not in a position to uphold our ordinances.

Mr. Tomasic commented about Mr. Caulfield dismissing the case, and then coming here to tell us the story. He said he would have appreciated it if Mr. Caulfield would have made that personal connection to us so that we could have worked among ourselves to get someone to go over there.

Mayor O'Malley mentioned he's sympathetic to old people not being able to take care of their property. Over two decades ago, this individual was being discussed at length for his failure to comply with the then regulations. The Mayor's office is behind getting this particular property cleaned up as long as we know the Magistrate will back us up and say if it doesn't get cleaned up pretty quick whether the resident has the money or not, he's going to have to cough it up.

Mr. Tomasic stated for the record he's not interested in going there, and he's helped this individual, who is approaching 70.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn or adjourn by acclamation

Moved: Ms. Woods
Second: Mr. Belmonte

Voice Vote – all in favor

- Next Scheduled Council Meeting: March 16, 2011
- Next Scheduled Committee Meetings (order to be determined): Tuesday, March 1, 2011 (Public Safety, Public Works, Borough Property, Operations & Policy) and, Thursday March 3, 2011 (Planning & Zoning, Finance, Committee of the Whole).

SUMMER 2011 STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS	
Pool Staff	
Lynn Cassidy	Pool Manager
Shannon Cassidy	Assistant Pool Manager
John Alton	Lifeguard
Adam Neidig	Lifeguard
Chelsea Stein	Lifeguard
Giovanna Bodner	Lifeguard
Luke Gormley	Lifeguard
Andrew Wellman	Lifeguard
Annmarie Rodriguez	Sub-lifeguard
Greg Sorek	Sub-lifeguard
Rebecca Gormley	Sub-lifeguard
Angela Ricci	Sub-lifeguard
Lauren Kimicata	Sub-lifeguard
Colin Letson	Sub-lifeguard
James McKay	Sub-lifeguard
Mariam Abdelwahab	Sub-lifeguard
Mariska Usouski	Sub-lifeguard
Nicole Bonacci	Sub-lifeguard
Renee MacCamy	Sub-lifeguard
Michael Holzinger	Sub-lifeguard
Erin Schwoegl	Sub-lifeguard
Kenny Longo	Sub-lifeguard
Shea Shovlin	Sub-lifeguard
John Gorol	Sub-lifeguard (first year)
Mia Sapienza	Sub-lifeguard (first year)
Lexi Orriola	Cashier
Brenna Longo	Concession
Colleen Kennedy	Concession
Peter Sorek	Maintenance
Jacob Layton	Utility
Graham Bodner	Swim Team Head Coach
Andrew Finlay	Swim Team Assistant Coach
Nicholas Ricci	Swim Team Assistant Coach
Annmarie Rodriguez	Synchronized Swim Team Head Coach
Carolyn Gormley	Synchronized Swim Team Assistant Coach (shared)
Nicole Jozwiak	Synchronized Swim Team Assistant Coach (shared)
Tennis Program	
Mark Paull	Tennis Director
Gina DelRio-Gazzo	Assistant Tennis Director
Megan Kimicata	Assistant Tennis Director (sub only)
Jillian Kennedy	Assistant Tennis Director (sub only)
Timothy McCool	Assistant Tennis Director (sub only)
*Subs will only work on rotation when Assistant Tennis Director is not working.	REV: 2/2/11