

Call to Order:

Mr. Karas

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor O'Malley

Roll Call:

Mr. Belmonte	present	Mr. Karas	present
Mr. Burleigh	present	Mayor O'Malley	present
Mr. Erbeltinger	present	Janet Sullivan, Tax Collector	absent
Mr. Porco	present	Larry Baumiller, Solicitor	present
Mr. Tomasic	present	David Gilliland, Engineer	present
Ms. Wood	present	Steven Morus, Manager	present

Recognition of the Forest Hills Swim Team & Coaches

Mayor O'Malley and President Karas issued 2 proclamations, one honoring the swim team for their 2013 Eastern Swim Association Championship victory and one honoring the 3 coaches who led the team.

President's Report:

Mr. Karas

Mr. Karas reviewed the following with regard to speed issues on Greensburg Pike

1. The Greensburg Pike safety item has been on public safety for 6 months
2. Our Chief has discussed the road with neighboring police chiefs and a strategy is in place which includes speed monitoring
3. Our Chief is assessing opinions from other Chiefs and councils on requesting a reduction in speed.
4. Our Chief has met with WHSD officials and they have noted the issue and placed crosswalks at the High School and Administration exits.
5. Forest Hills is painting crosswalks on all roads that intersect with the Pike on the Forest Hills side as soon as we paint parking lines on Halsey and replace the Cascade/Braddock crosswalk. This has been reprioritized due to the construction of the tennis courts and recent storm clean up.
6. We are open to resident input at our meetings or the public safety meeting where the item remains on the agenda.
7. Please note this is a County road and involves several municipalities.

Mr. Karas announced an executive session to be held at the end of tonight's meeting re: personnel and potential purchase of property; also exec sessions were held on personnel and possible litigation and possible purchase of property.

Mr. Karas discussed his position as president, a position that no one wanted, and that he was unanimously voted into, unopposed, and the manner in which he took on the challenges of the office and noted some of his goals and accomplishments and that he was interested in maintaining his position until January to complete the things he said he would do. His goal was to facilitate better communications between the council and the manager and allow the manager to be more independent. He also reminded people that council would inform the manager of discussions and interaction with employees. He believes this did not happen. He feels they have done a pretty good job of doing the borough's business, as reflected by the mostly unanimous votes taken in business meetings. Mr. Karas explained to council if they felt slighted or felt like his style was not what they expected, that he discussed his goals in public and asked for input January, February, and March and all members were in support.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor O'Malley

The Mayor had no report.

Tax Collector's Report:

Ms. Sullivan

No report – Ms. Sullivan not present.

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Williams

Chief Williams reported on department activities as well as traffic control/speed issues on Greensburg Pike and elsewhere. School buses will be back on the road soon. He thanks the rotary and Forest Hills Presbyterian church for donations that they will use for equipment. He answered the Mayors question about accidents at intersection of Braddock Road and Greensburg Pike. The Chief replied that all the intersections on the Pike are prone to accidents.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Theilacker

No report – Chief Theilacker not present

Woodland Hills EMS Report:

Keith Morse

No report – Mr. Morse not present

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Baumiller

Mr. Baumiller attended in place of Mr. Korbelt who was away and had no report.

Wilkesburg Penn Joint Water Authority Report: Ms. Broz

No report - Ms. Broz not present

Public Comment – Agenda Items

At this time, citizens may address council on any issue appearing on today's agenda. Only residents and taxpayers of the Borough of Forest Hills will be permitted to address council. Comments on non-agenda items will be taken at the end of tonight's meeting. Speakers will be permitted to speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. Groups of people will be required to designate a spokesperson to represent them before council who may speak for a maximum of 10 minutes. 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. Please spell the name for the record.

Frank Sabino, 409 Decatur Avenue, asked about rumors of a merger between Braddock Hills and Forest Hills fire departments. Council replied that they had not been approached by Braddock Hills.

Several scouts were in the audience with their parents who noted that they were here to observe and look for instances of interaction between council members and how it worked. Mr. Karas also noted if they are looking for service projects we welcome that and they should contact the manager. Mr. Tomasic suggested they may want to attend committee meetings where more discussions occur.

Committee Reports:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mr. Belmonte

Motion: Move to approve a change order for the 2013 Bituminous Street Paving Contract to add 150 feet of underdrain on Barclay Avenue from Marion to Vine Alley at a cost of \$5,500.

Moved: Mr. Belmonte
Second: Mr. Tomasic

Mr. Gilliland commented on the need for this drain system and discussed it with Mr. Porco and Mr. Tomasic.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Belmonte yes
Mr. Burleigh yes
Mr. Erbelinger yes

Mr. Porco	yes
Mr. Tomasic	yes
Ms. Wood	yes
Mr. Karas	yes

Motion: Move to authorize the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments to award the demolition contract for 617 Barclay Ave. to Minniefield Construction in the amount of \$6,800 with funds to be paid from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Moved: Mr. Belmonte
Second: Mr. Burleigh

Note: See Engineer's note in his report below.

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

General Report:

1. The borough engineer submitted the following report to the committee:

Forest Hills Borough
Engineer's Report for August, 2013

Public Works Committee

- A. 2012-13 Sewer Work for the Consent Decree
 - i. Later in 2013 we will be advertising for bids for the next round of sewer liners and sewer repairs by excavation as funds become available.
 - ii. CCTV inspections to comply with the Operation & Maintenance Plan are in progress by in-house personnel as time permits.

The manager noted 3RWW report on finance committee agenda and article in the Post-Gazette on 8/1/13 on sewer work throughout the ALCOSAN system and the need to cooperate to meet consent order requirements.

- B. 2013 Paving

Victor Paving is to start the 2013 Paving Project on July 31 with the installation of inlets and pipe on Marion near Barclay. We are proposing an addition to the contract to extend the storm pipe up Barclay to Vine Alley to capture a steady spring at that location. I will have the cost of this proposal for the committee meeting on August 1.
- C. CD 39 Demolition

Bids for this project were opened at the TCVCOG on July 25, 2013. Two companies, Eveready Contracting and Minniefield Construction, were the low bidders, both bidding \$6,800 to demolish 617 Barclay Avenue. Eveready has agreed to withdraw their bid in favor of the other contractor, however.

2. The committee continues to review proposed projects for inclusion in the 2014 Capital Improvements Plan.
3. Foreman Jim Theilacker reviewed the anticipated work schedule for August and reported on damage from the recent wind/rain storm.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Erbedinger

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

General Fund Budget:	\$ 777,981.56
Corrective Action Budget:	\$ 2,936.10
Capital Improvements:	\$ 689.71
Pavement Improvement	\$ 245.25
Liquid Fuels	\$ 1,470.50

Moved: Mr. Erbedinger
Second: Mr. Burleigh

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

Detail of Non-General Fund Items:

Corrective Action Budget:	Sewer repairs, engineering
Liquid Fuels:	Hot patch, street lights
Capital:	Pool plantings, engineer
Pavement:	Curb work

General Report:

1. The committee continued to review a summary of projects submitted to date for the 2014 Capital Improvements Plan. All committees will review their projects first then submit recommendations to the finance committee for final budget preparation.

2. The 2014 budget preparation process begins this month. Citizens are reminded that finance committee meetings are used to prepare a new budget rather than holding separate budget hearings and all meetings are open to the public. The first draft of the budget will be reviewed at the October committee meeting.
3. The committee asked the manager to review proposals for electric supplier rates as the current agreement with Liberty Power expires at the end of the year. The manager should provide a recommendation to council for final approval once rates are secured.
4. 3 Rivers Wet Weather (3RWW) provided a summary of ALCOSAN sewer rates by community. These can be found on their website at the following address: www.3riverswetweather.org/resources/educational-reference-materials/sewer-rate-study.
5. Without further objection, the finance committee authorized payments for emergency tree work due to the recent wind/rain storm to come from the budget reserve account rather than the tree budget.
6. After reviewing several complaints, the committee noted that it would not make exceptions to the penalties imposed on those who either have paid their bills late for various fees or who are delinquent.
7. The committee reviewed the latest MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) calculation from the borough actuary, Mockenhaupt, and will discuss at the September meeting in order to approve funding at the September business meeting.
8. The committee reviewed and declined a request from the Rotary that the borough purchase 100 directories for use in providing to new residents as funds were not budgeted for this purchase and the borough does not have a recent history of providing them to new residents.

BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Porco

Motion: Move to approve a change order recommended by the borough engineer for the 2013 tennis court reconstruction contract to increase in the thickness of the binder asphalt from 3" to 4.5" with corresponding decreases in the stone and milling material for a savings of \$300.

Moved: Mr. Porco
Second: Mr. Tomasic

Ms. Wood asked if we had any word on the grant. Mr. Morus indicated we had none. Mr. Gilliland was asked by Mr. Porco to explain the need for the change. Mr. Erbedinger asked that the engineer take pictures and document what we are doing.

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

General Report:

1. The Committee reviewed the following report from the borough engineer:

Forest Hills Borough
Engineer's Report for August, 2013

Borough Property

A. Tennis Courts

Construction is anticipated to begin in August, 2013. USTA has still not committed funds but we have answered their latest round of questions and anticipate information of funding to be forthcoming.

B. Pool Projects for 2013

The replacement of the sliding glass doors and windows with 3 sliding glass doors and 2 windows will be underway around the end of August. Quotes for the installation of a gas fireplace will be requested once the windows and doors are complete.

C. Senior Center Rest Rooms

Contracts have been issued per Council's recent award. Construction should begin in September.

D. Hosanna House

I previously submitted a cost estimate for a traffic study on Sherwood Road from Pennoni Associates in the amount of \$7,925. According to Hosanna House's engineer (Gateway), the connection of the new storm sewer pipe around the hockey rink to the existing storm sewer will be completed by mid-August. This was originally to be done by the end of June but was delayed due to rain. The construction of the rain gardens has also been delayed but is to be completed by the end of the 2013 construction season. The manager was asked to send a letter to Hosanna House requesting that they conduct and pay for the traffic study.

2. Members continued a review of items submitted for the 2014 Capital Improvements Plan.
3. Foreman Jim Theilacker noted that the wall replacement at the senior center has been completed.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Tomasic

Motion: Move to approve ordinance 1040 to amend the fire protection services fee that ensures that money collected for the fee remains under the exclusive control of the Borough.

Moved: Mr. Tomasic
Second: Mr. Erbedinger

Ordinance Title Reads As Follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FOREST HILLS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE FOREST HILLS BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES, FIRE PREVENTION AND FIRE PROTECTION, TO ESTABLISH A NEW PROCEDURE FOR DISPERSING THE REVENUE FROM THE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES FEE TO THE FOREST HILLS BOROUGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

One thing that was talked about was paying off the fire trucks. Instead of giving the fire department a lump sum of money, council will determine for what purpose the fire department should use the funds. Mr. Erbedinger felt that it would be good "checks and balances" to proceed in this manner.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Belmonte	yes
Mr. Burleigh	yes
Mr. Erbedinger	yes
Mr. Porco	yes
Mr. Tomasic	yes
Ms. Wood	yes
Mr. Karas	yes

Motion: Move to approve resolution 1136 to amend resolution 598 relating to the purchase of equipment by the Forest Hills Volunteer Fire Company, Woodland Hills Emergency Medical Services and Forest Hills Community Service.

Moved: Mr. Tomasic
Second: Mr. Porco

Resolution Title Reads As Follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FOREST HILLS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 598, WHICH RELATES TO THE PURCHASE OF NEW ROLLING EQUIPMENT UTILIZED BY

THE FOREST HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY,
WOODLAND HILLS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,
INC., AND FOREST HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICE.

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

General Report:

The committee discussed use of the borough's fuel pumps by various entities.

1. Members discussed several issues related to fire services in the borough and the volunteer fire department including:
 - a. Lack of mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities other than Edgewood
 - b. Elimination of the requirement that the borough pay 10% of the cost of new fire vehicles
 - c. Lack of response by the department on request for their bylaws
 - d. Lack of response re: the issue of police access to weight facilities in the fire department building, started due to misinformation on a potential spread of disease by one or more officers
 - e. Ordinance advertised for consideration on access to and use of fire protection services fee dollars.
 - f. Gas Cards and use of borough fuel pumps – restricted to use of the fire chief.
 - g. Discussion with Swissvale – re: fire protection services and concept of regionalization.
 - h. Vehicle insurance coverage cost and responsibility
 - i. False rumor spread by a VFD member that the Public Safety Committee Chair and the chair of Community Day festivities were restricting department access to a booth for the July 4 celebration; Fire Chief Theilacker later apologized for the rumor on behalf of the department.
 - j. Use of vehicles outside of borough – charter restrictions & language
 - k. Access to VFD logs/log books/vehicle logs & mileage since the borough covers the cost of fuel; if there are none the committee requests that a logging procedure is started so we know where trucks are going to avoid paying for gas for out of town fire calls. Residents should not pay for out of town calls.
 - l. Right to Know decision re: the department's request for access to delinquent fire fee rate payers and the Public Safety Chair's request for access to VFD meeting minutes.

- m. Instruction to the manager to send a letter to the department's attorney re: a meeting between a committee of council and department representatives.
2. The committee reviewed items for the 2014 Capital Improvements Plan and agreed that items related to the fire department be eliminated.

OPERATIONS & POLICY

Ms. Wood

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2013 council meeting.

Moved: Ms. Wood
Second: Mr. Tomasic

Voice Vote

General Report:

1. The committee reviewed items for the 2014 Capital Improvements Plan and agreed that the "capital improvement matching grant" line item should be recommended to the finance committee at \$1,000 funding for each year of the plan.
2. The manager noted that the permits and checklists for chicken raising and beekeeping are complete and available on the borough's website and in the main office.
3. The borough continues to seek volunteers for the 2019 Centennial Committee. Please contact the office if interested.
4. The borough continues to seek volunteers to serve on various boards and committees (e.g., planning commission, zoning hearing board, etc.) and asks interested residents to contact the manager at the borough office for further information.
5. In Committee of the Whole, members endorsed the internship proposal submitted by Forest Hills resident and Chatham Professor Molly Mehling. One of her students will work with the borough on sustainability issues and stormwater management among other environmental issues with funds to come from those reserved in the 2013 budget.

Ms. Wood attended a short course at the Xerxes Society on pollinators in Western Pennsylvania. Honeybees are not native to the US. She brought back information on how to improve borough parks, create a butterfly garden, ways to improve pollinator habitat, native wildflowers, bumblebee conservation; some ideas that could be done as

a Boy Scout project in the borough. There were boy scouts in attendance at this meeting. She also mentioned that the checklist and permits for bees and chickens are on the borough website now.

6. In Committee of the Whole, members received a negative response to council's suggestion that the Flivver consider routing trips to the Turtle Creek senior center since Eastern Area Adult Services consolidated meal services there. The Flivver board declined because their charter specifies that services are provided within the borough and the time taken to go to and from the center may take time away from servicing other borough senior residents.
7. The Flivver board also indicated that the service has been nominated for a Jefferson award through the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Burleigh

General Report:

1. Members reviewed the subdivision proposal for the Silversmith development at the former Westinghouse Research Center site.
2. The committee reviewed one item related to committee business in the proposed 2014 Capital Improvements Plan and recommends to the finance committee that the comprehensive plan update funds requested remain in the plan.
3. Code inspector submitted a report to the chair on his activities.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion by Mr. Tomasic to remove Mr. Karas as president. Mr. Erbelinger seconded.

Mr. Belmonte noted he would like to see Mr. Karas remain as president through the end of the year.

Ms. Wood asked for clarification noting that she found out about this on Monday. She asked that it be tabled and discussed under executive session. Mr. Baumiller said executive session does not apply to elected officials.

Mr. Belmonte seconded the motion to table.

Vote on motion to table:

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

The motion failed.

Mr. Tomasic called for the question. Mr. Porco seconded

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

The motion failed due to the need for 5 affirmative votes as directed by the solicitor so discussion continues.

Ms. Wood asked for a discussion on the rationale for doing this. She wants to know why folks feel so strongly about removing the president.

Mr. Erbedinger comments our council has been very cohesive, but under the leadership in the last month, he feels that council has gone out of control a little bit.

Ms. Wood said she walked out of a meeting because she needed to separate herself from the process. It did not have anything to do with leadership itself.

Mr. Karas asked for permission to suspend the rules so that he may comment as the solicitor advised it was against Robert's Rules for the President to comment. Ms. Wood seconded.

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

Mr. Karas comments that people have different styles, and different ways of doing things, and that they have been a good functioning council. He does his best to suggest to members the proper etiquette on how to conduct business during a meeting. He offers apology for anytime that he may have said anything inappropriate or that they took offense to. Everyone at the table has an opinion of this issue. Whatever happens he will continue to serve the residents of Forest Hills in a dignified fashion.

Mr. Karas asked each member to comment on the motion to replace and there was no comment except as noted by Mr. Erbeldinger.

Ms. Wood comments that if this couldn't be discussed this in executive session it should have been discussed as a whole, as a group here. She comments that she still doesn't have a lot of clarity on this issue. We have discussed things publicly. However, this process right now goes against what she believes. She is flabbergasted and disappointed and probably wouldn't have run for elected office that this particular council would function. Ms. Wood reads a short poem written by Vivian Pomeroy who was a minister in the 1900's.

Mr. Belmonte comments that he would like to see council wait until the end of the year and when a new group comes in and reorganize then. He is at a loss to see what was done that was so egregious that we are asking Steve to step down.

Public Comments on this motion:

Bernadette Ogurcheck, President-elect of the Forest Hills Rotary, asked to come as a representative because the rotary wants to become more involved in the community. She had heard that it gets rough here sometimes, but it surprises her that Mr. Karas is being asked to step down. Did he break the law? She feels she has a right to know why he was asked to step down. She has never seen anything like this before. Before you make your vote, remember the people who you represent.

Vote on the original motion to replace Mr. Karas.

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

The motion is approved.

Mr. Karas relinquishes the chair to Mr. Tomasic, as vice president is taking over to nominate a new president. Mr. Tomasic presides.

Mr. Tomasic asks to comment.

Mr. Morus corrected the solicitor and commented that our rules do provide for the opportunity for the president to comment and that the previous motion to do so was not needed as was true now with Mr. Tomasic's request to comment as the presiding officer.

Mr. Tomasic commented on the reason for the change. Mr. Karas has not done anything wrong. He has been asked to step down because they are not fulfilling the needs in that position at that time. He is elected by the council members.

Nomination of Markus Erbedinger by Mr. Porco.

Motion by Mr. Burleigh that nominations are closed, Mr. Porco seconded.

Ms. Wood asked Mr. Erbedinger to comment on his nomination and what he would hope to accomplish in his presidency.

Mr. Erbedinger states that believes he has the capabilities to bring the group back together. He has in the last four years worked with all members of the council, and got along. He is fiscally conservative and will do his best to serve the tax payers

Mr. Belmonte commented that he will vote in support of Markus because they need to get tonight behind us, and the business of the borough takes precedent over everything else.

Mr. Burleigh commented that this was a hard decision for him, but his goal is to help the community. Mr. Karas, he stated is a great person. Mr. Porco was a hard person to follow. But we have to move forward here. Time will tell if this is a good move for us.

Ms. Wood commented she supports whoever wants to be president because it is a thankless job. She also comments that her trust and respect have been completely eroded through this process. Not by the decision tonight, but by the process and how we have arrived at this decision with the lack of respect for all members of council for discussing things opening and honestly. She supports Markus one hundred percent and comments that she finds it almost insurmountable that she will be able to work with the level of trust and respect that she had when she went into this job.

Mr. Karas commented that he has been 5 years on council and does not and will not ever engage in activities that are unworthy of council members and elected officials. He does not advocate or support discussions taking place outside of council. His lifelong goal was not to be Forest Hills Council president forever, but only to serve the residents of the Borough of Forest Hills and leaves tonight with his integrity and pride.

Mr. Karas noted that no one offered a specific reason why this motion was made. Three members spoke in support of Mr. Karas and Mr. Erbedinger stated he was concerned about the cohesiveness of the last month. I want it clarified that there was

no specific issue. The borough was running efficiently. As President, I wanted to empower our manager and have all discussions take place in public, allowing for public comment of all those in attendance at all meetings. I made it apparent that all 7 members of council are unique and we all should be able to have our opinions and goals. I have been concerned that I felt people's ideas were not vetted in public meetings and decisions appeared to be made before we arrived. I concur with Ms. Wood who stated that "4 votes at any cost" is not the way we want council to function. Disagreement and public discussion should be welcomed, not challenged. I am committed to serving the community, not working outside of public meetings to influence the inner workings of council. I recognize that as a council we are capable of preparing and deciding in our meetings and that people's free time and family time should be respected.

Mr. Tomasic commented that when he votes he votes with conviction. And when he argues he argues with conviction. If you do not agree with him, it does not mean that he is wrong.

Voice vote to close nominations - all in favor

Vote on Mr. Erbedinger as President

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

Mr. Erbedinger comments here as he takes the chair and presides. He thanks Steve for the time he has served as president. He realizes it is a tough job, and will be a tough job to reunite everyone.

Ms. Wood asked to be removed as President Pro Tem. Mr. Karas seconded.

Mr. Karas commented that it has to be voted on.

Vote on motion to accept resignation of Ms. Wood as President Pro Tem.

Voice vote – all in favor

Ms. Wood asked to be removed as a member of the negotiating committee. Mr. Belmonte seconded. No vote is necessary since it is a committee position. Mr. Erbedinger thanks Ms. Wood for her time served.

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No comments

Council recessed to executive session.

Following the executive session all members returned except Mr. Karas.

Motion to proceed with a phase 1 study on the property adjacent to the intersection of Ardmore and Avenue B.

Moved: Mr. Tomasic

Second: Mr. Porco

Voice vote - all in favor

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn or adjourn by acclamation

Moved: Mr. Tomasic

Second: Mr. Porco

Voice Vote – all in favor

- Next Scheduled Council Meeting: September 18, 2013
- Next Scheduled Committee Meetings (order to be determined): Tuesday, September 3, 2013 – Borough Property, Operations & Policy, Public Safety, Public Works. Thursday, September 5, 2013 – Finance, Planning & Zoning, Committee of the Whole. *Council may choose to meet as a whole on these dates and conduct business if necessary.*