

Call to Order:

Mr. Erbeldinger

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Porco

Roll Call:

Mr. Burleigh	present	Mr. Erbeldinger	present
Mr. Karas	present	Mayor Porco	absent
Mr. Kiley	present	Janet Sullivan, Tax Collector	absent
Ms. Sowiski	present	Stephen Korbel, Solicitor	present
Mr. Tomasic	present	David Gilliland, Engineer	present
Ms. Wood	present	Steven Morus, Manager	present

President's Report:

Mr. Erbeldinger

President Erbeldinger urges all to donate to the Woodland Hills EMS subscription drive. He also noted:

Samantha Edinger of Forest Hills will receive the Churchill Area Environmental Council's \$250 scholarship, awarded annually to a Woodland Hills High School graduating senior. The borough contributes \$60 as its share of the scholarship.

The Pool has an open house on May 2.

He noted a bank robbery on Monday that involved our police department. He complimented Chief Williams on his efforts.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Porco

No report

Tax Collector's Report:

Ms. Sullivan

No report

Chief of Police Report:

Chief Williams

Chief Williams reported on the bank robber capture and noted that Officer Heller took the lead with Officer Summers and Officer Mesarchik in support.

Noted catalytic converter thefts with an arrest made today.

He provided a report of monthly activities.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Theilacker

No report

Woodland Hills EMS Report:

Scott Feher in place of Chief

He asked for permission to place signs on the subscription drive in the median and elsewhere to support it. Need to submit an application to the operations and policy committee at their May meeting

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Korbel

Mr. Korbel noted an executive session is required tonight on collective bargaining issues, pension issues and a zoning matter.

Wilkesburg Penn Joint Water Authority Report:

Ms. Broz

Ms. Broz reported on authority activities.

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.

Joe Ladik, 115 Ashley Court – addressed potential move of the Forest Hills municipal building and that Greensburg Pike is not a good location. He believes it should be more central to the borough and it should be put to a vote of the people of Forest Hills.

Committee Reports:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Ms. Sowiski

Motion: Move to approve the bid of Victor Paving in the amount of \$340,077.60 for the 2015 paving program as recommended by the engineer and adding \$46,036.00 for the cost of paving the parking lot at the main park and \$25,000 for the cost of paving the park and ride lot at Ave. B.

Moved: Ms. Sowiski
Second: Mr. Tomasic

Note: See table below with all bids as reviewed by the engineer in his report summary

Mr. Tomasic thanked Mr. Gilliland, Mr. Thielacker and Mr. Morus for work on the park and ride lot paving estimates. Mr. Tomasic comments that we brought the bid in from \$28,000 to \$25,000 and we are actually saving \$3,000. However, he was hoping that we would be able to get the full 120 that we may need in the future. The price of oil is half what it was. This year and we are paying actually more per square foot or per square yard this year than last year.

Mr. Erbedinger comments that we own the lot and the Port Authority rents it from us as a park and ride lot and they are paying us \$25,000 to pave it for them for 100 slots.

Mr. Korbel comments that they are giving us \$25,000 to pave the lot. We are required to provide them with 100 slots. Unless there is a certain level of usage and then we would be required to provide them 125 slots.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Burleigh yes
 Mr. Karas yes
 Mr. Kiley yes
 Ms. Sowiski yes
 Mr. Tomasic yes
 Ms. Wood yes
 Mr. Erbedinger yes

Motion: Move to authorize the foreman and manager to sell a 2000 4WD Dump Truck, 2 leaf boxes, 2 leaf machines and all 2 way, low band radio equipment via govdeals.com or in a similar properly advertised fashion.

Moved: Ms. Sowiski
Second: Mr. Kiley

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Burleigh yes
 Mr. Karas yes
 Mr. Kiley yes
 Ms. Sowiski yes
 Mr. Tomasic yes
 Ms. Wood yes
 Mr. Erbedinger yes

General Report:

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

Public Works Committee

1. 2015 Sewer Significant Deficiency Repairs

The Trenchless project has started with 50% of the work complete. The Conventional Dig Project is 75% complete. Work is progressing smoothly as weather permits.

2. 2015 Street Paving

Bids were opened March 23, 2015 with results as shown on the attached tabulation. Steve Morus has informed me we will have approximately \$350,000 available for this project, therefore deductions must be made. Jim Theilacker and I are recommending deferring Pacific Avenue and Hawthorne Road, reducing the total to \$340,077.60 for low bidder Victor Paving. This project could be awarded at the April 15 Council meeting allowing work to begin in late May or June.

This bid included separate prices for the Main Park parking lot paving and striping and the paving of the Park & Ride lot on Ardmore at Avenue B. The total for the Main Park lot is \$46,036.00. This item was budgeted at \$69,000 in the grant, therefore we recommend it be awarded to low bidder Victor Paving for \$46,036.00. This work will be completed before Community Day on July 4.

The Park & Ride low bid was also Victor Paving at \$28,000. Port Authority is contributing \$25,000 to this project. This bid did not include line striping.

<u>Tabulation of Bids</u>						
<u>Forest Hills Borough 2015 Paving Project</u>						
	<u>Victor Paving</u>	<u>El Grande</u>	<u>A. Liberoni</u>	<u>A. Folino</u>	<u>Derry Constr.</u>	<u>Mele & Mele</u>
1. Rockwood Rd	\$32,395.75	\$36,760.95	\$38,236.00	\$38,950.95	\$40,759.50	\$46,248.20
2. Hawthorne Rd.	\$16,721.70	\$18,914.00	\$19,262.80	\$20,360.25	\$21,099.30	\$23,370.40
3. Wellington Rd.	\$17,357.10	\$19,465.25	\$20,740.70	\$21,327.90	\$21,766.40	\$25,567.20
4. Bevington Rd.	\$16,695.50	\$19,847.50	\$21,900.05	\$22,519.20	\$23,526.50	\$27,560.10
5. Circuit Lane	\$25,253.00	\$29,797.20	\$27,727.60	\$33,940.10	\$33,560.00	\$48,909.56
6. Sharon Dr (Filmore-Pacific)	\$158,660.70	\$173,806.90	\$185,246.00	\$184,424.00	\$192,321.20	\$196,396.10
7. Sharon Dr (Pacific-Barclay)	\$39,167.55	\$43,321.35	\$46,773.80	\$46,591.95	\$47,821.80	\$52,054.25
8. Pacific Ave	\$80,304.00	\$89,620.00	\$101,023.50	\$99,318.90	\$104,686.50	\$98,737.80
9. Filmore Dr.	\$50,548.00	\$57,289.00	\$62,383.80	\$59,240.40	\$61,855.30	\$69,709.35
Total:	\$437,103.30	\$488,822.15	\$523,294.25	\$526,673.65	\$547,396.50	\$588,552.96
Total deleting 2 & 8:	\$340,077.60	\$380,288.15	\$403,007.95	\$406,994.50	\$421,610.70	\$466,444.76
Main Park Parking Lot	\$46,036.00	\$49,840.00	\$49,112.50	\$54,456.00	\$60,936.25	\$63,357.00
Park & Ride Lot	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$27,800.00	\$31,560.00	\$31,600.00	\$32,280.00

2. The committee reviewed the following update from 3 Rivers Wet Weather on sanitary/stormwater issues:

In February and March, ALCOSAN and the Sewer Regionalization Implementation Committee (SRIC) hosted six municipal outreach meetings in ALCOSAN's regional planning basins. (ALCOSAN is also planning an upcoming meeting with PWSA in the Main Rivers Basin.) At these municipal outreach meetings, community representatives—managers, elected officials, engineers and solicitor – learned about the process for identifying the multi-municipal trunk sewers that should be transferred to ALCOSAN for the most benefit to the region.

Presenters from 3 Rivers Wet Weather shared a template of agreement, and discussed the transaction process and legal principles all developed by SRIC to make the transfers as efficient as possible.

In the upcoming months, ALCOSAN will be planning individual municipal meetings to cover the details regarding the candidate trunk sewers identified for transfer. This regional approach, which involves 73 of the 83 ALCOSAN service area communities, is a key step in laying the foundation for a long-term, sustainable solution to our wet weather problem.

3. The foreman reported on tentative work planned for April (other than normal maintenance work and Chalfant work and depending on weather):

- Sanitary Sewer Work (some overtime)
- Repair pole lights – Ardmore
- Patch potholes with cold patch material
- Repair summer mowing equipment
- Clean all winter snow removal equipment for storage
- Change various signs throughout the borough
- Repair electrical panels – pool filter room
- Rebuild storm sewer inlets, various roads
- Sweep all streets
- Turn leaves at Compost Site

4. The foreman noted that the crew will again perform curb preparation work as scheduled on select weekends in the spring, summer and fall on streets to be determined.

5. Members reviewed planting containers that will be used to replace dead or diseased street trees in the business district.

6. The committee noted that it is fine for the foreman to provide Hosanna House with millings for their Sherwood property as previously agreed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Karas

Motion: Move to appoint attorney Jack Cambest as special bond counsel to handle the proposed bond issue.

Moved: Mr. Karas
Second: Ms. Sowiski

Mr. Korbel comments that this motion is connected to the next two motions under the finance committee with respect to whether council would like to consider engaging in analyzing whether or not it wants to issue bonds to incur additional debt for projects which may or may not include construction of a new borough building. Jack Cambest--we need special bond counsel in order to have an attorney that can write an opinion letter and assist with the transaction and you can't use your solicitor to do that. Mr. Cambest would function in that capacity. I would be required to do some tasks. But I can't operate in both capacities, so that is why we need to engage a special bond counsel. He will be paid thru the proceeds from the bond so there will be no out of pocket expenses for counsel from the general fund. I spoke to Mr. Cambest and he indicated that he would be willing to assist as counsel at a competitive rate on his services.

Mr. Erbedinger comments that this is a necessary step to start the process in building a new borough building. This is not a final decision, but it is a step to start the process.

Mr. Tomasic comments that Mr. Cambest has offices in the borough and has worked with us in the past on competitive rate issues. We try to work with people in the borough when possible.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Burleigh	yes
	Mr. Karas	yes
	Mr. Kiley	yes
	Ms. Sowiski	yes
	Mr. Tomasic	yes
	Ms. Wood	yes
	Mr. Erbedinger	yes

Motion: Move to authorize the special bond counsel to prepare and advertise an ordinance to permit the sale of approximately \$3 million in bonds with financing purpose to be determined by council.

Moved: Mr. Karas
Second: Mr. Tomasic

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Burleigh	yes
	Mr. Karas	yes
	Mr. Kiley	yes
	Ms. Sowiski	yes
	Mr. Tomasic	yes

Ms. Wood	yes
Mr. Erbedinger	yes

Motion: Move to appoint Mike McCraig of Janney Capital Markets to serve as underwriter for approximately \$3 million in bonds with financing purpose to be determined by council.

Moved: Mr. Karas
Second: Mr. Burleigh

Mr. Erbedinger comments that our current bond we pay about \$350,000 a year and we have about 10 years left, and the new bond would be pretty much tacked onto that. For the first ten years we would have to pay an additional \$3,000,000 and you would have to pay an additional \$90,000 a year. But we save on utilities combining three buildings into one, it will be not effecting our budget a lot. And after the ten years we would continue paying that total of \$450 for eight more years. That's how we would pay that \$3,000,000 dollars.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Burleigh	yes
Mr. Karas	yes
Mr. Kiley	yes
Ms. Sowiski	yes
Mr. Tomasic	yes
Ms. Wood	yes
Mr. Erbedinger	yes

General Report:

Mr. Karas commented:

1. Members discussed potential sheriff sales of several tax delinquent properties with the solicitor. The school district is owed millions in back taxes and their legal bills are substantial. We have the administration looking into how much we pay for those services, we don't have those numbers yet.

BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Kiley

Motion: Move to solicit proposals from Town Center Associates and Pfaffmann and Associates architects for work on sale of the magistrate's building and borough building (Town Center) and design of a new municipal building (Pfaffmann) .

Moved: Mr. Kiley
Second: Ms. Sowiski

Mr. Tomasic comments about concerns about the new building. One of the

reasons why we chose the Greensburg Pike area is that we own the property. So if you take a piece of property in this borough, go back years whenever they were talking about purchasing property up by Wolfe Funeral Home, one of the comments back then was that we would have to purchase property. We don't have to purchase this property—we own it. The last I heard, we were talking about that EPI Building—he's looking at a total cost of about \$300,000 with the demolition so that's one of the items that I would like to address, because if you read this article in the Tree City Times, and we have been putting these out on a regular basis, that cuts \$300,000 off the price of the building to start with which is a considerable amount. Secondly, if we do follow this and we get rid of the properties that we have here, these two buildings here and the and the Senior Center/Library, what will happen is we will generate some type of income, and then depending upon who purchases and what type of businesses might come in here we will then generate revenue for the borough. First, it will be on the tax rolls. I am assuming it would be worth a million dollars when we get a new building constructed. I haven't done any research, but I'm sure that the Rite Aid down there has been bringing in a substantial amount of tax revenues based upon its assessed value. Assuming it's a million dollars, I'd say a thousand dollars a year to help offset. Plus, we will have some employees working here and hopefully generate some business in this business district. That lot up also up there has some problems with it that were found by the last group of people that wanted to purchase it. There is a portion of the storm sewer that runs underneath the corner and then into the main park. If you are familiar with the fact that we have a stream that runs through the main park. That doesn't appear magically out of nowhere. It comes from underneath the church parking lot, the church and the corner of that building. That scared off a possible investor the last time. The lot is relatively small. Get-Go wanted to try get that lot and it couldn't get it because they didn't have enough room—that was one of the reasons. And they had attempted to purchase a portion of the lot from the church next to it, and they did not approve of that and consequently that deal fell through. So although I would love to see that EPI Building (and we are working on it, with Jay Costa and some other people) to try to get some housing over there possibly, but we did look and we talked about the size and other things in terms of what would fit there. And I don't believe a municipal building would be able to fit there, the parking, etc. That's my personal opinion. If you look at that lot up there, its wide open, you could put a one story building from one side to the other.

So just to restate, we've been talking about this for a couple of years now. I know that I came in front of council when we had the new members on. So it's over a year now that I made that proposal in front of everybody in public. And we've been discussing it on a regular basis and it was even in the works before that. So I appreciate the fact that he came down here and gave his opinion on it. I just wanted to state that this decision wasn't made because we just wanted to put it up there on Greensburg Pike. Cost, construction, are also factors and in addition to that we did talk to our Police Chief and our Borough Manager and other people about what they thought about that location. It's on a major four lane road up there and it has easy and quick

access down here. You could be down here pretty quick. I just wanted to let you know that there was a lot of thought went into this before we started making any decisions.

Ms. Wood commented that when we talked about our mission and vision perhaps four years ago or more, we also talked about having our senior center and a library and a municipal building and Police department all in one area. To be able to build a LEED Certified Sustainable green building on that property lends itself to that. We would not be able to have that on Ardmore.

Mr. Kiley comments that this discussion is a necessary first step, with regard to the bond issue, this does not commit us.

Mr. Erbedinger comments that this may be a two year process—one year for planning and then another year for building it.

Mr. Burleigh adds that we are trying to do this in a very detailed and precise way so that we are covering all the steps. He comments that he has been talking to some people from the Green Building Alliance about coming in to talk to us about building a green building.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Burleigh	yes
	Mr. Karas	yes
	Mr. Kiley	yes
	Ms. Sowiski	yes
	Mr. Tomasic	yes
	Ms. Wood	yes
	Mr. Erbedinger	yes

General Report:

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

Borough Property

A. Tennis Courts

The small rust stains that appeared in the surface paint were repaired but were not done satisfactorily. We are still withholding payment until the repairs are done correctly which should be completed in April, weather permitting.

B. Main Park GTRP Grant Project

This project will be advertised for bid on April 14 with bids opening April 28, 2015 at 11 AM at the Borough office. DEADLINE LIKELY TO CHANGE

Work items include:

- 1) Repair and clean stone wall along Ardmore.
- 2) New trail to Centurion Commons.
- 3) Rehabilitate trails within the park
- 4) *Resurface parking lot by basketball court**

- 5) *Restriping basketball court**
- 6) *Striping entry road for emergency vehicle access lane/no parking.**
- 7) Team benches
- 8) Barbeque grills
- 9) Picnic tables including handicap accessible tables
- 10) Exercise Trail with 5 sites
- 11) Bongo Steps (playground equipment)

**These items are included in the 2015 Paving Project and are recommended for award at the April 15 meeting.*

2. In Committee of the Whole and in Borough Property, members reviewed comments from Town Center Associates representatives and Pfaffmann & Associates architects re: steps toward sale of the property at the borough and magistrate's building and design of a new borough building. Members also listened to comments from Mr. Burleigh on LEED certification and the importance of membership to possibly obtain funding for incorporating green design in a new building. And members discussed the need to hold public meetings to gather input from residents as part of the sale and building process.
3. Members reviewed a request from Woodland Hills School District for use of the borough's tennis courts twice in April while their courts undergo repairs. In Committee of the Whole, members agreed that Mr. Kiley should contact school district officials to make arrangements and determine the level of any fee paid.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Tomasic

General Report:

1. The chair noted that an executive session on collective bargaining with the police association was held following the April 2 committee meeting.
2. In Committee of the Whole, members discussed the borough's contribution to the Woodland Hills EMS, the contribution level of other members and the past due bill for fuel owed to the borough. Annual contributions from communities served show the following:

Forest Hills (\$1.25 per capita) –	\$8,148 (2015 budget)
Churchill (\$1.00 per household) -	\$3,000
Wilkins -	\$7,000
Braddock Hills -	\$1,000
Chalfant –	(unknown)

He also states that we own the land, but not the building for the EMS. That is another donation that we give to the EMS as well. We will be discussing this

sometime in the future because there was a request that we look at the per capita amount that we give to the EMS at this time.

OPERATIONS & POLICY

Ms. Wood

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2015 council meeting.

Moved: Ms. Wood
Second: Mr. Burleigh

Voice Vote – all in favor

General Report:

1. The borough continues to seek volunteers for the 2019 Centennial Committee. A separate committee is important for planning, organization and fund raising purposes. Please contact the office if interested. The centennial celebration tentatively will coincide with the 2019 Community Day event.
2. The borough continues to seek volunteers to serve on various boards and committees and asks interested residents to contact the manager at the borough office for further information. A number of vacancies remain.
3. The chair noted that the borough is now a member of CONNECT Pittsburgh and reported on the first meeting attended.
4. In Committee of the Whole, members discussed the need for a policy on handling drainage from private property that is directed to public streets, especially when those streets are paved. The discussion revolved around who should pay the cost for directing drainage if paving the street would create a problem for existing drains. The Committee also suggested that letters should be sent to property owners on streets that will be part of the 2015 paving program after the foreman and engineer review drainage issues.
5. Ms. Wood noted two upcoming events including: Arbor Day which we do every year coming up in a few weeks. We are one of the few municipalities in Allegheny County that retains an arborist. East Catholic participates in the Arbor Day celebration at 9 am at Main Park and everyone else is invited to come and also there is also Clean Up day on Saturday, April 25th where we go to various parks in the borough and clean up. We get a lot done in short period of time. All volunteers are encouraged to show up and help a little bit. I believe the Tree and Shrub Committee also participates in Arbor Day.

PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Burleigh

General Report:

1. Members reviewed code enforcement activities with code officer Don Branzel
2. Members discussed the request from Mr. Silversmith for an opinion as to the placement of the atom smasher on the lot he owns. While some members expressed an opinion that it should remain visible from Ardmore Blvd., members stressed that they had no standing in making such a determination on private property.
3. In Committee of the Whole, members agreed that the manager should apply for the Tri-Council of Governments' Housing Market Profile study by submitting a letter of intent.

Old Business:

Mr. Karas comments on the lot at Braddock and Ardmore and he wants to get this on the record. There is some concern being voiced about walking safety from both residents and some Woodland Hills High School District folks. There may be more kids walking to school next year. He would like some ideas for safety and input from our Solicitor, our borough engineer and Public Works.

New Business:

Public Comment – Other Items

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Bill Tomasic, 140 Tanglewood Drive, comments that we are a Tree City USA, and we have an arborist, one of the few communities that have an arborist. We also have a Tree and Shrub Committee, and I was a representative. We've done a lot of good things. We have ordinances that deal with the trees. We have a budget of over \$100,000 last year, unfortunately some of it was associated with a storm. This is associated with pruning trees, root damage, repair of sidewalks, we have planted all kinds of trees. A lot of people don't realize this but outside of their houses, a lot of the trees that they look at from their houses, aren't theirs, they belong to the Borough and

when somebody tries to cut one down or they have a problem, they realize that you can't do anything to that tree they have to go through the Borough and it is protected by Borough ordinances. Which leads me to the following situation:

There was an allegation made with my name in it and sent to the state ethics board. And then I was subjected to what they call a primary inquiry alleging that I had used my position as a council member to get work done on my tree on my property, by Steve Morris, Jimmy Theilacker, (who is not here) who directed the Public Works Department to do work specifically for me at my direction. This happened over 14 months ago when I had a gas line replaced which has its curb box—or shut off valve which is in everybody's right of way almost one hundred percent of the time. Unfortunately, the borough tree was planted right over top of my two lines that service my gas and my water. Let me state categorically that the allegation that was made is an outright lie, because whoever sent it to the state should have known better or knew better but decided to attack me or harass me. Knowing they could make the charge. Thinking it was anonymous. Let me add that I have insurance for these types of things. I have gas line insurance, water line insurance, which holds me harmless in terms of the cost. Simply put this was a borough tree and as a borough tree it was determined it would be saved by cutting the roots carefully away from the repair. If not done in this manner, the tree would have likely died, and I would have been the responsible party if I had given them permission to do so, which I did not grant, and these types of actions involving borough trees are done on a regular basis for all and let me emphasize, **all** borough residents. Again, there is an attempt to attack me or harass me or embarrass me. Let me tell you what the end result was after we spent all this time and money associated with this investigation. Quote: "The activity in question was the minimalist in nature." Translation of "the minimalist" is zero or nothing. I've been referring to a group of individuals as belligerent or malcontents-- they lie-- I'll add a new term for this group, I'll call them fanatics because they don't care who they go after. They don't care if it involves Mr. Morus or Jimmy Theilacker or anybody else. My true belief is that all they are interested in is trying to get to me because I didn't go along with what they wanted to do. And I'll say it again, it's a shame, it's a dirty shame.

Steve Mole, 134 Fairfax, and I want to speak about speeding on Fairfax Road--people going about 40 mph on the road. They hit the gas and fly up the hill. Maybe move the speed limit sign a little further down, and put some reflective tape on the sign post. Or possibly make the road "one way". Maybe put a speed readout device in. It's a go-to shortcut. Or possibly issue tickets to speeders.

Ms Wood comments that council has been looking at the issue on Fairfax for quite some time. She asks Chief Williams to summarize the situation.

Mr. Tomasic comments that Fairfax has been an issue for some time, we have monitored the situation. It's a very difficult street to police, and it becomes a cut-through at rush hour. Some of the suggestions we can incorporate easily, but making it "one-way" isn't something he would want to engage in without the input and agreement of the majority of residents on the street.

Mr. Erbedinger comments that he was a resident of Fairfax, and he offered his driveway to police as a spot to watch for speeders. Since United Health Insurance

moved into the building in Braddock Hills, there is a rush hour problem—morning going up, evening going down. And I informally tried to explore one way street, but people were somewhat hesitant about it. If you can get a petition going, and a majority of people want that, including Roxbury is in favor of it. We should continue the discussion for that.

Ms. Wood comments that she is a resident of Roxbury Road and has young children so she sympathizes with the situation.

Chief Williams comments that now its spring people are out more. We've already had the speed machines out, and there are a lot of people staying under 30. The road itself is not very wide, so caution is the key. It's an ongoing issue.

Mr. Tomasic comments that he walks throughout the borough. If there are people there, they will stop at stop signs. But if there is no one around, they will speed, and run the stop signs.

Dorene Dixon, 31 Roxbury – This is to continue this conversation since I live on Roxbury and I walk a lot down Fairfax and up Cascade. From what I see many people speed up and down Fairfax. It seems like a dangerous situation. If they don't see anybody, they drive down the middle of the road. It's somewhat of a dangerous situation there. It's not as dangerous to walk on Cascade as it's not as narrow. It's to a point where living on Roxbury it's hard to walk in Forest Hills. We walk all year round, and we go other places now—Regent Square or the cemetery and Braddock Hills. Just continuing on what Steve was suggesting, I have some ideas from other boroughs. In Edgewood they have a Do Not Enter sign at Race and Vine (to keep people from going up Vine St.). Crafton Boulevard used to be two way, now it is one way with speed bumps. Greentree from Noblestown Road to School St. has a No Left Turn sign Monday thru Friday from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm onto Terrace and forces people from taking that shortcut. Making Fairfax a one way-street is going to cause people to go faster. Because now they know that no one's coming the other way. She suggests putting a DO NOT ENTER sign from 7am to 9 am at the bottom and a DO NOT ENTER from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the other side.

Mr. Erbdinger comments that “no throughway” signs according to legal advice are not enforceable in court. But most law abiding people would respect that. I like your idea of having a no left turn on Ardmore, but Ardmore is a state road, and we would have to get the state involved in that.

Next Public Safety Committee meeting is on Tuesday, May 05, 2015.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn or adjourn by acclamation

Moved: Mr. Tomasic
Second: Ms. Wood

Voice Vote

- Next Scheduled Council Meeting: May 27, 2015 beginning at 7 PM.
- Next Scheduled Committee Meetings (order to be determined): Tuesday, May 5, 2015 – Borough Property, Operations & Policy, Public Safety, Public Works.
Tuesday, May 12, 2015 – Finance, Planning & Zoning, Committee of the Whole.
Council may choose to meet as a whole on these dates and conduct business if necessary. Meetings begin at 7 PM.