

BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL  
2300 WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15235

Minutes of Meeting

October 13, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Churchill was held in the Municipal Building on Monday, October 13, 2014 and was called to order by Jay H. Dworin at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Dworin led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present included Mses. McAbee, Law, Yankes, Messrs. Jurewicz, Collins, Riehl and Mayor McKenna. Also present were Police Chief Allen Park, Borough Manager/Secretary Craig Robinson, Solicitor Gavin Robb, Donna Perry. Tax Collector/Treasurer Daniel R. Duerring was absent.

WORKSHOP MINUTES – There was a motion made by Mr. Riehl and seconded by Ms. Law that the minutes of the Workshop Meeting held September 8, 2014 be approved as previously presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - There was a motion made by Mr. Jurewicz and seconded by Mr. Collins that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 15, 2014 be approved as previously presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR - There was a motion made by Ms. Law, seconded by Ms. Yankes and unanimously approved by Voice Vote that the Mayor's Report be accepted and filed as presented.

MANAGER & FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS - Mr. Robinson reported the Fire Department responded to 22 calls for the month with a total of 179 year-to-date. They had two practice sessions and participated in the Community Day at the high school. Many calls were for vehicular accidents and out-of-town responses.

Under the Manager's Report, Mr. Robinson stated trick-or-treat will be held on Friday, October 31 between the hours of 6-8 pm. The Fire and Police Departments will be patrolling the streets. Leaf collection started today and will continue for several Monday's into the month of November. Mr. Robinson reminded everyone not to rake leaves into the street. We have ordered salt and are getting ready for winter.

Mayor McKenna reported he had some residents telephone him over the weekend about an incident that occurred on Woodland Hills Drive and asked that Mr. Robinson explain the incident. Mr. Robinson stated a huge maple tree fell down off the hillside, crashed through the roof and did major damage to one residence.

There was a motion by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Riehl and unanimously approved by Voice Vote that these reports be accepted and filed.

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR – In the absence of Mr. Duerring, Mr. Robinson stated real estate tax collections were \$13,502.49 and penalties of \$1,216.47 for a total of \$14,718.96. The balance collectable is \$58,360.46.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Mr. Robinson read the following report for the month of September 2014. It showed the following:

<u>CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING BANK BALANCE</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>O/S CHECKS AND DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>ENDING CASH BALANCES</u>
REGULAR ACCOUNT	1,233,239.12	563,872.05	528,981.04	1,268,130.13
CAPITAL RES. ACCT.	158,584.05	6.95	-0-	158,591.00
ROAD & HIGHWAY	172,330.44	1,114.49	2,214.00	171,230.93
SEWAGE AGENCY	250,452.37	280,417.37	358,215.31	172,654.43
SPECIAL ACCT.	12,381.51	0.32	-0-	12,381.83
POLICE PENSION FUND	3,521.27	3,392.08	6,913.35	-0-
EMPL. PENSION FUND	874.70	874.70	1,749.40	-0-
WELFARE BENEFIT	1,480.73	90.00	-0-	1,570.73
EMPL. SEC. 457 D.C.P.	-0-	3,050.00	3,050.00	-0-

There was a motion by Ms. Law, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to accept the Tax Collector's Report and Treasurer’s Report for the month of September and have it reproduced in the minutes.

**EARNED INCOME TAX  
DEED TRANSFER**

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX – Mr. Robinson reported that the Earned Income Tax Collector had collections of \$68,806.35 for the month of September.

Deed Transfer Tax collection totaled \$3,395.70.

There was no delinquent real estate tax collected.

There was a motion by Ms. Yankes, seconded by Mr. Riehl and unanimously approved that the reports be filed.

**LISTEN TO VISITORS** - George Ratliff of 2314 Forest Drive came to protest our school district and the fact that we rank sixth from the bottom out of 43 school districts in the state. He asked that Council get together with representatives from all member municipalities and meet with school district officials to try to come up with a solution to obtain better test score results from our students.

Dolores Patterson of 2525 Greensburg Pike stated there is a lot of traffic congestion after church services at both Beulah Presbyterian Church and St. John Fisher and requested that police perform traffic control. Chief Park stated there is a police officer stationed after services on Sunday at St. John Fisher, but not at Beulah Presbyterian, because the traffic flows easier at this location. He said it is almost impossible to have police presence during Saturday nights.

Joan Gottlieb of 2310 Marbury Road stated she is happy to see another Eagle Scout Project completed at Bullock Pens Park that includes beautifully constructed handrails across two bridges, along with a new set of four benches and picnic tables. She asked if the scout was a student at Woodland Hills High School. Mr. Robinson informed the individual is Ben Krings and he is a student at the high school. She stated he should apply for the Churchill Area Environmental Council Scholarship Award.

Milton Gottlieb of 2310 Marbury Road stated he hoped there would be some sort of recognition such as a dedication ceremony and a plaque for Ben Krings.

**TRI-COG LAND BANK ORDINANCE ADVERTISEMENT** - There was a motion by Mr. Collins, seconded by Ms. Law and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote to authorize the Borough Secretary to advertise the intent to adopt an ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with participating taxing bodies to create a Tri-Cog Land Bank.

**RE-APPOINT RALPH ZATLIN AS FIRE MARSHAL** - There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Ms. Yankes and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4317 to re-appoint Ralph Zatlin as Fire Marshall for a three-year term to expire October 15, 2017.

**RE-APPOINT SUSAN KEANE TO THE CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL** - There was a motion by Ms. Law, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4318 to re-appoint Susan Keane to the C.A.E.C. for a six-year term to expire October 15, 2020.

**APPOINT TESS PHILIPPS TO THE CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL** - There was a motion by Ms. Yankes, seconded by Mr. Riehl and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the

adoption of Resolution No. 4319 to appoint Tess Philipps to the C.A.E.C. for a six-year term to expire October 15, 2020.

PAY THE BILLS - Mr. Robinson read the bills for the month and they totaled \$766,313.09. Mr. Dworin read payment of bills totaling \$15,000 or more to one vendor as follows: TEC for health insurance - \$14,508.74, Insight Pipe for sewer lining - \$14,514.16, Alcosan for sewage service - \$23,730.43, Tresco Asphalt Paving for road paving - \$33,883.14, Churchill Volunteer Fire Company for Firemen's Relief Association - \$21,561.81, Principal Financial for the employee pension plan - \$37,376.70, and Principal Financial for the police pension plan - \$215,208.36. There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Ms. Yankes and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4320 to pay the bills.

ADJOURN - There was a motion to adjourn by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Ms. Yankes and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to adjourn at 8:10 pm.

**CRAIG A. ROBINSON  
BOROUGH SECRETARY**