

BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL  
2300 WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15235

Minutes of Meeting

March 12, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Churchill was held in the Municipal Building on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 and was called to order by Robert L. Ferry at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Ferry led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present included Mrs. Pantlik, Messrs. Lepidi, Kline, and Jurewicz. Ms. McAbee and Mr. Dworin were absent. Also present were Mayor McKenna, Robert W. Goehring, Police Chief Allen Park, and Donna Perry. Mr. Duerring was absent.

MINUTES – There was a motion made by Mr. Kline and seconded by Mr. Jurewicz that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 12, 2013 be approved as previously presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR – Mayor McKenna stated it was an active month, unfortunately, at the high school. We are still having issues there. Mr. Lepidi questioned Chief Park about the increase in incidents and what seems to be causing this. Chief Park stated that some of the plans put in place in the past couple years aren't being adhered to and there is just not as much attention to detail. The cameras were down for about a year, but they are up and running again. The school district officials let issues slide.

There was a motion by Mr. Lepidi and seconded by Mr. Kline to accept the report. The motion was unanimously approved.

MANAGER & FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS – Mr. Robinson stated the Fire Department had 14 calls for the month of February and the year-to-date total is already 33. There was an accident of a car that ran into the front of a house on Nottingham Drive. It was a medical event. Also, there was a significant event on the Parkway between a car and motorcycle.

Mr. Robinson stated we survived the big snow storm the other day. Hopefully this will be the end of snow. We do, however, still have to order 400 tons more salt.

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

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TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Robinson read the following report for the month of February, 2013.  
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	396,914.16	298,353.41	414,467.12	280,800.45
CAPITAL RES. ACCT.	158,451.51	9.72	-0-	158,461.23
ROAD & HIGHWAY	72,389.13	17,191.56	34,374.58	55,206.11
SEWAGE AGENCY FUND	127,677.34	92,241.24	59,813.04	160,105.54
SPECIAL ACCOUNT	12,484.92	.46	-0-	12,485.38
POLICE PENSION FUND	3,389.32	3,366.67	6,755.99	-0-
EMPL. PENSION FUND	876.39	863.05	1,739.44	-0-
WELFARE BENEFIT	940.73	-0-	-0-	940.73
EMPL. SEC. 457 D.C.P.	-0-	1,900.00	1,900.00	-0-

There was a motion by Mr. Lepidi, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 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 \$46,709.96 for the month of February.

Deed Transfer Tax collection totaled \$2,295.16 for the month of February.

There were no delinquent real estate collections in February.

There was a motion by Mr. Kline, seconded by Mrs. Pantlik and unanimously approved that the reports be filed.

LISTEN TO VISITORS – Mrs. Dolores Patterson of 2525 Greensburg Pike said she appreciates all of the hard work performed by Council.

Mrs. Patterson and Ms. Margie Darbut of Williamsburg Place voiced opposition to the senior housing development proposed by Trek Development if they purchase the Woodland Hills Administration Building. Mrs. Patterson stated many residents she spoke with felt the same. Mrs. Patterson also informed that a piece of information written by Trek implied that Churchill Borough Council approved their proposal in December. Mr. Lepidi stated this was absolutely untrue. Ms. Darbut also expressed concern about building this type of housing in a primarily residential area. A Harvard study has proven that decreasing medium income levels, along with deteriorating property values, have occurred when these types of senior developments are built.

Ms. Darbut further questioned if the Borough has applied for a recycling grant. She was advised that the Borough will look into this for the future, since you must be currently involved in recycling to apply.

Mr. George Ratliff of 2314 Forest Drive informed that he was aware of a vacancy on the Planning Commission and would like to service in this capacity. Mr. Ferry advised him to send a letter to the Borough Manager listing his qualifications. He further stated there are other residents interested in this position.

COLLINS ROAD PUMP STATION GRANT – There was a motion by Mr. Lepidi, seconded by Mr. Kline and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4261 to apply for a Community Infrastructure and Tourism Fund grant, jointly with Wilkinsburg Borough, for replacement of the Collins Road Pump Station.

UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS – There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Mr. Lepidi and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4262 to enter into an Inter-municipal COG-wide Uniform Construction Code Board of Appeals.

ADVERTISE BIDS FOR SEWER WORK – There was a motion by Mr. Lepidi, seconded by Mr. Kline and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote to authorize the Borough Secretary to advertise to obtain bids for CCTV Inspections and Lining Repairs to the sanitary sewer system.

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LAURA FIFE PROCLAMATION - Long-time resident, Mrs. Laura Fife of Holland Road, celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 23, 2013 and Mayor McKenna read a proclamation honoring her.

PAY THE BILLS – Mr. Robinson read the bills for the month and they totaled \$256,785.98. There was a motion by Mr. Lepidi, seconded by Mrs. Pantlik and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4263 to pay the bills.

AROUND THE TABLE – Mr. Jurewicz stated he is looking forward to his second annual participation in the Bunny Parade on Saturday, March 30.

Mayor McKenna received a very nice note from Nancy Moran complimenting the road crew on snow removal. He also stated he will be very interested in hearing about the mission Ms. McAbee went on to save the beaches in the Caribbean.

Mrs. Pantlik photo contest is over and winners have been selected. She stated many beautiful photos were received and the winners will be announced at a reception to be held on Saturday, March 23 in the Yagle Room at 2pm. Everyone is invited to attend and view all the photos. Although the committee hoped for more, only three youth photos were received.

Mr. Lepidi thanked all the residents for attending tonight's meeting and, in particular, the three women here tonight who have been involved with the Trek Development issue. As important as Mr. Lepidi feels this issue is he's even more concerned about other property issues, specifically the Westinghouse site. As mentioned at last month's meeting, Council formed an ad hoc committee comprised of Ms. McAbee, Mr. Jurewicz and himself to make a list of all these issues and see if anything can be done. He stated the Westinghouse site has set off a domino effect. The site is underutilized and a large decreased reassessment may have also caused the demise of the Churchill Valley Country Club since many people who worked at Westinghouse used the establishment. In addition, the Blackridge Civic Association is having financial difficulties. One piece of good news is that Scott's Garden Center has sold and is going to re-open again as a garden center.

ADJOURN – A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting until Monday, April 8, 2013.

CRAIG A. ROBINSON  
BOROUGH SECRETARY