

BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL  
2300 WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15235

Minutes of Meeting

March 14, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Churchill was held in the Municipal Building on Monday, March 14, 2016 and was called to order by Mr. Dworin 7:30 p.m. Mr. Dworin led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present included Mses. Law, Yankes, Moore, Messrs. Jurewicz, and Riehl. Mr. Collins and Mayor McKenna were absent. Also present were Police Chief Allen Park, Borough Manager/Secretary Craig Robinson, Solicitor Gavin Robb, and Donna Perry.

WORKSHOP & REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – There was a motion made by Mr. Jurewicz and seconded by Mr. Riehl that the minutes of the Workshop Meeting held February 1, 2016 and the Regular Meeting of February 8, 2016 be approved as previously presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR - There was a motion made by Ms. Yankes, seconded by Ms. Law 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 13 calls for a year to date total of 36. There was nothing of significance in the Borough.

Under the Manager's report, Mr. Robinson informed everyone should receive their newsletter this week.

He stated we have had a mild winter and we still need to purchase a small amount of salt to fulfill our contracts.

The road crew is working on pothole patching, sign straightening and general clean-up.

Bids will be advertised in the next few weeks for sewer work and road paving.

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

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR - Mr. Robinson reported there was no collection reports and the 2016 real estate tax statements have been mailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Robinson read the following report for the month of February 2016. 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	646,733.79	370,006.55	461,073.44	555,666.90
CAPITAL RES. ACCT.	158,648.79	6.71	-0-	158,655.50
ROAD & HIGHWAY	55,355.22	2.30	-0-	55,357.52
SEWAGE AGENCY	133,065.89	142,878.04	92,044.96	183,898.97
SPECIAL ACCT.	11,426.56	556.26	952.00	11,030.82
POLICE PENSION FUND	-0-	3,551.26	3,551.26	-0-
EMPL. PENSION FUND	-0-	959.62	959.62	-0-
EMPL. SEC. 457 D.C.P.	-0-	3,250.00	3,250.00	-0-

There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Mr. Riehl and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to accept the Tax Collector's Report and Treasurer's Report for the month of January 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 \$26,439.88 for the month of January.

Deed Transfer Tax collection totaled \$3,582.14.

Jordan Tax Service collected \$2,290.04 in delinquent real estate tax.

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

**LISTEN TO VISITORS** - Police Chief Park noted one bright spot in the Mayor's Report was the savings of approximately \$12,000 for police officers mandatory training. This was accomplished by scheduling their training while on regular duty. Otherwise, they would be paid at a rate of time and a half.

**MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN** - There was a motion by Ms. Law and seconded by Ms. Yankes to adopt Resolution No. 4363 authorizing the expenditure of Borough funds in connection with the development of a Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan. Discussion ensued and Mr. Riehl expressed concern about the realistic possibility of us obtaining the grant, along with the cost of

funding any project that the plan suggests. He stated that while we do need goals, we, Monroeville, Wilkins Township and Allegheny County will spend \$100,000 on a plan that probably won't tell us anything that we don't already know. Mr. Jurewicz stated this is not a business plan, but it is a necessary way to receive grant funding and, especially for the East, to obtain some possible transportation funding. Ms. Yankes wanted an understanding of how the grant funding was split among the parties involved. Mr. Dworin understood Mr. Riehl's concerns, but believes we can achieve attainable goals. A Roll Call Vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

JOINT PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS - There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Mr. Riehl, and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote to authorize the Borough Secretary to advertise the intent to adopt an ordinance for a Joint Maintenance Code Board of Appeals.

BILLS - Mr. Robinson read the bills for the month and they totaled \$340,422.64. Mr. Dworin read the bills totaling \$15,000 and more. They included American Rock Salt \$15,099.26 for road salt, Vigliotti Landscape & Construction \$29,031.29 for February road maintenance, The Gateway Engineers \$39,683.02 for the Consent Order and other professional services, and Alcosan \$90,457.39 for sewage service. Ms. Yankes questioned if the bill to G&W Roofing & Construction for a new Fire Department roof was the final bill and she was informed it was. Also, she questioned what the Tupper bill was for and Mr. Robinson stated that was the annual fee for police software. There was a motion by Mr. Riehl, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No.4364 to pay the bills.

AROUND THE TABLE - Mr. Dworin stated he had spoken with members of the Zoning Committee and it was agreed a gentleman from the Department of Environmental Protection will be coming to speak on the current issue of the gas and oil situation.

Mr. Jurewicz asked Ms. Law to review the timeline for adoption of the new ordinance. Ms. Law informed we had a number of residents who had volunteered to submit written input on the proposed ordinance using the Wilkins Township ordinance as a guideline. We have received input from most of the volunteers and the Committee will review it and put together our draft. The draft ordinance has to be submitted to the County for review and they have 45 days to respond. We will once again have a Public Hearing for input. Mr. Jurewicz stated our goal was to make a motion to advertise the intent to adopt an ordinance on April 11, 2016

. Murrysville recently did this process and they also had DEP involved. They have the major oversight and control of the fracking process. We would like to have questions from the public, in writing, prior to the meeting with DEP on April 11. The intent is to have DEP start their

presentation at 6:30 p.m. with a question/answer period thereafter. The regular meeting will start at the usual time of 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Moore commended and thanked both the Police and Fire Departments. There was a recent gas leak on her street and the Fire Department responded very quickly.

Mr. Riehl stated he has concerns about the activities at the high school and it seems like everything is getting more serious especially with the recent situation of a bus driver driving while impaired.

Ms. Yankes stated she would like to learn more about Emergency Management issues.

Mr. Jurewicz advised we will be having a watershed awareness and rain barrel presentation in conjunction with the PA Resources Council on April 18 in the Yagle Room at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN** - There was a motion by Ms. Law, seconded by Ms. Yankes and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

**CRAIG A. ROBINSON  
BOROUGH SECRETARY**