

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2006

The Regular Meeting of Monday, February 13, 2006 was brought to order at 7:00 PM by President Frank J. Greco. A quorum was present as follows:

Mr. Greco
Mrs. Martinelli

Mr. Padula

Mr. Wilson
Ms. Fialla

(6-41) MOVED WILSON-PADULA to approve the minutes of the Meeting of January 30, 2006. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Communications:

Marla Marcinko, Manager, Municipality of Penn Hills regarding holding a meeting to resolve other outstanding issues related to the Boundary dispute.

(6-42) MOVED WILSON-PADULA to waive the reading of reports. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

REPORTS:

The Police Report for January 2006

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Total Police Calls Logged	293	279
Total Criminal Offenses Reported	41	25
Criminal Arrests/Persons Charged	16	32
Criminal Offenses Cleared	20	19
Traffic Citations Issued	23	27
Parking Tags Issued	14	21
Parking Citations Issued	2	13
Monies collected during January	\$4,530.29	4,539.70

DPW Superintendent Vargo's January Report can be found filed in the Manager's Office.

WTVFD #1 - #1 didn't present the report at the meeting, but faxed it the next day:
For December 2005: Nine (9) Fires, Four (4) Practices, a meeting and a Santa Detail – Total man hours 208.5
For January 2006: Seven (7) Fires, Three (3) Practices, One Tree Burning and a meeting. Total man hours 156.75

WTVFD #3 Reported as follows: Six (6) Fire Calls, Two (2) Training Sessions and eight (8) work details. Total man hours 136.00.

WTVFD #4 reported as follows: Five (5) Fire Calls, One (1) Drill, 4 Four Public Services and Four Work Details. Total man hours 173.5.

Building Permits issued during January 2006:

One (1) Residential Interior Alteration - \$4,900.00.
One (1) New Home - \$40,000.00.
One (1) Porch Roof - \$1,500.00.
Interior Alterations – One at Byzantine, Inc. (Dollar General) , Greensburg Pike (Formerly Penhurst Candy).
\$96,000.00 plus a Plan Review.

Total amount received for the month of January 2006 for Deed Transfer Tax - \$6,517.28.

A Municipal Services – Act 511 Tax Report:

Earned Income Taxes:

Current Month	\$31,388.25	Previous Year	\$ 28,201.56	Difference
Current YTD	31,388.25	Previous YTD	26,201.56	\$ 5,186.69

Occupation Privilege Tax::

Current Month	1,462.40	Previous Year	390.00	Difference
Current Year	1,462.40	Previous YTD	390.00	\$ 1,072.40

Mercantile Tax:

Current Month	2,818.83	Previous Year	-0-	Difference
Current YTD	2,818.83	Previous YTD	-0-	\$ 2,818.83

Business Privilege Tax:

Current Month	2,498.88	Previous Year	-0-	Difference
Current YTD	2,498.88	Previous YTD	-0-	\$2,498.88

Mr. Cambest's report is on file in the Manager's Office.

The Recreation Advisory Board Tree Burning Budget & Expense is on file in the Manager's Office.

Mr. McKeever's Senate Engineering Report is on file in the Manager's Office.

(6-43) MOVED FIALLA-MARTINELLI to approve the schedule of bills in the amount of \$456,862.78 as presented. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-44) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to approve amendments to the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, as recommended by the Civil Service Board, as follows:

1. Section 4.2, General Examination Requirements for Promotions (page 15 of proposed rules and regulations) – delete “In addition, each applicant will undergo a physical fitness test which will be graded on a pass/fail basis for every applicant. After an applicant has been extended an offer of promotion, the final appointment to the promotional position shall be contingent upon the applicant passing a physical and psychological examination.”
2. Section 4.7 Physical Fitness Testing (page 16 of the proposed rules and regulations) – subparagraph b., - delete”....remove a simulated motor vehicle operator weighing approximately 200 pounds from behind the steering wheel of a motor vehicle and drag the simulated operator to a point 50 feet from the motor vehicle.” – add in the place of this: “....drag a simulated body weight of approximately two hundred 200 pounds for a distance of forty feet (40’) within fifteen (15) seconds.”
3. Section 4.7 Physical Fitness Testing (page 17 of the proposed rules and regulations) – subparagraph e., - delete” ...to repeatedly pull fifteen times for each hand the trigger of a double action nonfunctional revolver with arms horizontally extended.” And add in the place of this: “pull the trigger repeatedly thirty times strong hand and fifteen times in thirty seconds weak hand, with arm fully extended in a shooting position using a double action handgun.”

The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Guest Speaker: Congressman Timothy Murphy: Congress Murphy addressed the Board of Commissioners and the audience. After introducing his staff members and reminding the Board that he has an office in Monroeville if the Township, requires any assistance, Mr. Murphy talked to the Board about the availability of federal funding especially as it concerns joint-municipal projects. He stated that he was successful in receiving a federal appropriation of \$475,000 for police car digital cameras and that the Chief should speak with the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments regarding similar public safety

Ipurchases. Also requested that the Township correct its' website, which currently shows Mike Doyle as the congressman for Wilkins Township

Mr. Wilson questioned whether there was funding available to help the Township remodel the Rescue 1 building for Senior Citizens and Mr. Padula questioned the availability of funding for the joint purchase of fire department communications equipment. Mr. Murphy suggested that Mrs. Bradley contact Emily Campbell of his office for assistance on these and any other grant opportunities.

(6-45) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to accept the recommendation of the Recreation Advisory Board approving the following contracts, contingent upon the review and approval of the Township's Solicitor, Mr. Matta: Billy Price - \$2,000.00, Velvetta - \$2,500.00; Midnite Run - \$2,000.00 (also contingent upon the resolution of electricity requirements with the Department of Public Works); The Vogues - \$3,000.00; Pure Gold - \$4,500.00; Mid-Life Crisis - \$300.00; DJ – Radio Rich \$700.00; and Starfire Fireworks – 3 year agreement - \$4,000.00 . The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-46) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to authorize the increase in vendor booth rentals for Community Days from \$250 for new booth rentals to \$300 and from \$200 for repeat booth rentals to \$250. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-47) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to approve the budget for the Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 8, 2006, in the amount of \$1,666.00 pending the legal review of a contract between the Township and Educational Wildlife Program. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-48) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to approve the request of the Recreation Advisory Board to purchase a Santa Suit and an Easter Bunny costume at an estimated price of \$450.00. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-49) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to approve the expenditure of \$50.00 per elected official wishing to attend the 35th Annual Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments Membership and installation of Officers banquet to be held on February 24, 2006 at the Churchill Country Club. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(6-50) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to approve the request of Messrs. Hill and Vrontos to attend the PA Construction Codes Academy "Summer Codes Issues" class on April 11, 2006 in Cranberry Township at a cost of \$95.00 each. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Mr. Padula questioned what the Township's position was on a memorandum from Mr. Hill to the Board and Mrs. Bradley regarding Emergency Shelters. Mr. Wilson stated that he was working on getting a Public Safety Committee meeting together in March and this is one of the topics that they will discuss.

Ms. Fialla thanked the Recreation Advisory Board for all of their hard work.

Mrs. Martinelli had no comments.

Mr. Wilson thanked the Recreation Advisory Board for their hard work and stated that their reports are the best that he has seen since he has been a Commissioner. Also, questioned Mr. McKeever on the last page of this report regarding recommendations by

Mr. McKeever for payment to Hydrotech for Consent Order and Agreement work. Wished all a Happy Valentines Day.

Mr. Greco thanked the Recreation Advisory Board for all of their time and effort and thanked all for their attendance this evening.

(6-51) MOVED MARTINELLI-FIALLA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote .

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary