

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, JULY 11, 2011

The Regular Meeting of Monday, July 11, 2011 was brought to order at 7:01 PM by President Sylvia J. Martinelli. A quorum was present as follows:

Mrs. Martinelli Ms. Fialla
Mr. Padula Mr. Costa Mr. Szoko

(172-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 13, 2011 as presented. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Correspondence:

Shirley Holtzman-Schwartz of 14 Curry Court submitted an email advising of her consternation that companies located in Wilkins are advertising that they are located in Monroeville, specifically, hhgregg.

(173-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to authorize the Solicitor to determine the validity and enforceability of Ordinance 895, the Truth in Advertising Ordinance. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(174-11) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to authorize Mr. Hill to send a letter to all businesses in Wilkins informing those businesses of the public safety aspects of correctly identifying their location. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote

Correspondence:

Colonel Edward Nassan of the Allegheny County Sheriff's Reserve submitted correspondence requesting that the Township consider making a donation to the Reserve, since they voluntarily donated their time to the Township during the Summer Festival.

(175-11) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to authorize the donation of \$200.00 to the Allegheny County Sheriff's Reserve. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Correspondence:

Joe Lucy of 134 Grandview Avenue submitted correspondence to the Board seeking the installation of a street light by his residence to deter criminal mischief.

Citizens' Comments:

Mr. Bill Wilson of Dorothy Street thanked the Board of Commissioners for making a donation to the Memorial Day Observation; commented upon the success of this years' Summer Festival; thanked Joy Voeltzel for all of her hard work; and commented upon businesses that do not advertise as Wilkins.

Joy Voeltzel, Chair of the Recreation Advisory Board, requested permission to participate in the BP Customer Appreciation Day by holding a car wash from 1:00 PM until 6:00 PM on Friday, July 15th and Saturday, July 16th.

(176-11) MOVED COSTA-PADULA to approve the request of the Recreation Advisory Board to hold a carwash, in conjunction with the BP Customer Appreciation Days on July 15 and 16, 2011 from 1:00 PM until 6:00 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Citizens' Comments:

Ms. Dorothy Musial of 313 Frazier Drive questioned whether or not the Township has a dog Ordinance and stated that there are two dogs that run wild in her neighborhood every morning.

(177-11) MOVED SZOKO-COSTA to waive the reading of reports. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

REPORTS:

Police Report for June 2011:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Total Police Calls Logged	297	311
Criminal Offenses Reported	27	
Criminal Arrests/Persons Charged	3	
Traffic Citations Issued	48	37
Parking Tags Issued	10	8
Monies Collected during June	4,810.47	10,316.11

Mr. Brueners DPW Report for June is on file in the Manager's Office

WT- VFD #3 reported the following: 17 NFIRS, man-hours 47.59; 1 Training, man-hours 12; 18 Non-incident man-hours, 611.44. Total man-hours – for July 671.03.

WT-VFD #4 reported the following: 16 Fire Calls, man-hours, 90.5; 2 Fire Schools, man-hours 25.25; 1 Drill, man-hours 15; 1 Public Service, man-hours 16; 17 Work Details, man-hours, 382; 5 Meetings, man-hours 81.75; 2 Others, man-hours 1.5. Total man-hours – July 612.

Building permits issued June 2011:

- #2704-CS, James Hensell, 41 Thorncrest – Pool – Cost \$2,000.00
- #2705-CS, P/CE/LG, Bldg 3, Suite 800- Interior Alteration – Cost \$134,910.
- #2706-CS, Lisa Brawdy, 336 Delaney – Pool – Cost \$4,500.00

The Township received \$2,286.91 in deed transfer tax in the month of June, representing transfer tax collected by Allegheny County in the month of May. As of the end of June, this account is at 61.51% or 11% over budget.

Tax Collector's Report for June

Balance collectable – beginning of month	\$169,691.64
Additions	103.80
Adjusted Collectable	169,795.44
Less Face Collections	74,093.16
Balance Collectable – End of Month	95,702.28

Act 511 Tax Report for June 2011:

Earned Income Taxes:

Current Month	51,920.96	Previous Year	149,271.59	Difference
Current YTD	342,036.50	Previous YTD	348,955.47	(\$6,918.97)

Local Service Tax:

Current Month	37,912.08	Previous Year	19,288.51	Difference
Current YTD	78,386.41	Previous YTD	93,193.31	(\$14,806.90)

Business Tax (Mercantile & Business Privilege):

Current Month	239,919.14	Previous Year	53,2203.64	Difference
Current YTD	516,387.26	Previous YTD	518,433.01	(\$2,045.75)

Wilkins Township – 2011 Summer Festival – Profit/Loss Statement – As of 7/11/10

The Engineer's Report for June 2011 is on file in the manager's office.

(178-11) MOVED SZOKO-COSTA to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$246,305.77 as presented. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(179-11) MOVED SZOKO-FIALLO to accept the retirement application of Sergeant Anthony DeMarco. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS AS SLUM AND BLIGHT.

(180-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to read Resolution No. 13-2011 by title only.

(181-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to accept the first reading of Resolution No. 13-2011.

(182-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to adopt Resolution No. 13-2011.

Motions 180-11 to 182-11 were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS WITH THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

(183-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to read Resolution No. 14-2011 by title only.

(184-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to accept the first reading of Resolution No. 14-2011.

(185-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to adopt Resolution No. 14-2011.

Motions 183-11 to 185-11 were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(186-11) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to approve the request of Kristine Conley, Director of Sunshine Kids to use the Community Center for rehearsals three Wednesday each month during the school year (2nd, 3rd and 4th) and during the day during summer recess. The motion was adopted by a 4 to 1 vote with Mrs. Martinelli ABSTAINING as Ms. Conley is Mrs. Martinelli's niece.

(187-11) MOVED SZOKO-PADULA to authorize the donation of \$200.00 to the Penhurst Civic Association to be used toward landscaping and maintenance costs of both entrances into the Penhurst plan, after making sure that the Association did not already receive these funds in 2011.

(188-11) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to accept the request of Mr. Hill to change over former Car 41-4 to a Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement vehicle. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(189-11) MOVED SZOKO-FIALLA to authorize the demolition of 521 Negley and 652 Highland Avenue with CDBG Year 37 funding. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(190-11) MOVED COSTA-SZOKO to authorize the request of Chief Krancic to transfer funds from 410.480 (Training) to 410.376 (Vehicle Maintenance) in the amount of \$1,500. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Mr. Szoko thanked the Public Works Department for their professionalism during contract negotiations; stated that the Commissioners will need to make some tough decisions moving through the rest of this year and the next several years; commented upon the need for employees to pick up more of the cost of their benefits.

Mr. Padula thanked the Recreation Advisory Board, including Mr. & Mrs. Voeltzel, all of the Township employees and the Sheriff's department, and all of the businesses and residents who

Ms. Fialla asked Chief Krancic about the report of stones being stolen from the gabion baskets on Brown Avenue; congratulated Joy Voeltzel on a job well done and the success of the Summer Festival.

Mr. Costa commended Joy Voeltzel and the Recreation Advisory Board for stepping up and making the Summer Festival successful in the wake of the resignation of the previous Recreation Chair.

Mrs. Martinelli questioned the progress on the Balint Bridge; thanked Joy Voeltzel and the members of the Recreation Advisory Board for a successful Summer Festival; thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and thanked the members of the Board of Commissioners and the Solicitor for helping her run the meeting this evening.

(191-11) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary

