



Ms. Rhonda Lazarus of 221 Farnsworth Drive commented on the progress on the draft animal ordinance and requested to be provided a draft copy prior to a meeting to discuss it; questioned the cost of the Summer Festival; questioned how much the lawsuits filed against the Township are costing the Township and stated that the budget which is available on-line does not provide enough detail.

Mr. Chris Patterson of 135 Tynewood Drive commented upon the on-line version of the Township's General Fund Budget. It is also his opinion that the information is too vague.

REPORTS:

Police Report for June 2008:

|                                    | 2007     | 2008     |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Total Police Calls Logged          | 336      | 329      |
| Total Criminal Offenses Reported   |          | 23       |
| Criminal Arrests/Persons Charged   |          | 10       |
| Criminal Offenses Cleared          |          | 14       |
| Traffic Citations Issued           | 22       | 118      |
| Parking Tags Issued                | 7        | 10       |
| Parking Citations Issued           | 0        | 10       |
| Gasoline used by Police Vehicles   |          | 931      |
| Total Police Mileage for June 2008 |          | 7,583    |
| Total monies collected             | 4,423.83 | 5,325.60 |

Mr. Vargo's DPW Report for June 2008 is on file in the Manager's Office.

WTVFD #1 reported the following: Eleven (11) fires, Four (4) Practices, Six (6) Specials and one (1) training session. Total monthly man-hours 884.75.

WTVFD #3 reported the following: Fifteen (15) Fires, Two (2) Training Sessions and Eleven (11) Activities. Total monthly man-hours 642.98.

WTVFD #4 reported the following: Eleven (11) Fires, Six (6) Fire Schools, Three (3) Drills, One (1) Public Service, Three (3) Work Details and Five (5) Meetings. Total monthly man-hours 374.

The WHEMS Report for June 2008 is on file with the above VFD Reports.

Building Permits issued during June 2008: 4 Sprinkler Alterations, 1 Smoking Shelter, 1 Interior Alteration, 1 New Home, 1 Pool and 5 Alterations and Repairs.

The Township received \$1,418.06 in real estate transfer taxes during the month of June representing deed transfers which were recorded by the County in May. Total year-to-date collections are: \$14,834.96, or 29.09% of budget.

Tax Collectors Monthly Report for June 2008:

|                                    |  |             |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Balance collectable                |  | 186,975.51  |
| Less Face Collections for Month    |  | 82,704.86   |
| Balance Collectable – End of Month |  | 104,270.65  |
| Total Refunds to date              |  | 1,307.42    |
| Face Amount of Collections         |  | 82,704.86   |
| Total Cash Collected               |  | \$82,704.86 |

PA Municipal Services – Act 511 Tax Report

Earned Income Taxes:

|               |             |               |              |               |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Current Month | \$80,961.95 | Previous Year | \$123,480.78 | Difference    |
| Current YTD   | 337,161.25  | Previous YTD  | 351,774.74   | (\$14,613.49) |

Local Service Tax:

|               |           |               |            |                |
|---------------|-----------|---------------|------------|----------------|
| Current Month | 21,026.29 | Previous Year | 49,464.57  | Difference     |
| Current YTD   | 78,793.39 | Previous YTD  | 189,961.56 | (\$111,168.17) |

Mercantile Tax:

|             |            |               |              |                |
|-------------|------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| Current Tax | 13,354.11  | Previous Year | 89,874.57    | Difference     |
| Current YTD | 320,592.91 | Previous YTD  | 1,276,266.73 | (\$955,673.82) |

Business Privilege Tax:

|               |            |               |            |            |
|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|------------|
| Current Month | 19,712.93  | Previous Year | 60,640.21  | Difference |
| Current YTD   | 182,521.12 | Previous YTD  | 177,734.16 | \$4,786.96 |

Dodaro, Matta & Associates June 2008 report is on file in the Manager's Office.

Recreation – Mrs. Bradley presented the Net Profit/Loss Statement for the Summer Festival, as of July 14, 2008. The event sustained a loss of \$174.13, not including police or public works overtime, which is estimated at approximately \$2,000.00.

Senate Engineering Report for June 2008 is on file in the Manager's Office.

- (8-166) MOVED PADULA-FIALLA to authorize the Recreation Advisory Board to hold a fireworks display in the amount of \$2,000.00 in conjunction with one of their other planned events. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Szoko voting NO.
- (8-167) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to accept the recommendation of Mr. McKeever to reject the base bid received from Fleming Walker for critical sewer work and authorizing Mr. McKeever to re-bid separate projects by type of construction. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-168) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to accept the recommendation of Mr. McKeever to release the retainage held on the 2008 Paving Project to Tresco in the amount of \$15,390.30. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-169) MOVED SZOKO-PADULA to approve the payment of bills, in the amount of \$401,062.44 as presented. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote
- (8-170) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to authorize the placement for sale of the following five Township Parks: Mortimer Street Park (Lot/Block 454-J-079); Leneake Street Park (Lot/Block 453-S-065); Railroad Street Park (Lot/Block (454-L-182); Meadow Street Park (Lot/Block 454-G-004) and Highland Avenue Park (Lot/Block 455-A-124). The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Ms. Fialla voting NO.
- (8-171) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to appoint Cheryl Akers Stanton of Prudential Real Estate as the agent to list municipal properties for potential sale, as per the submitted proposal. The motion was adopted by a 3-2 vote with Ms.Fialla and Mr. Szoko voting NO.

RESOLUTION NO 5-2008

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE TOWNSHIP IN THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY'S VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.

- (8-172) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to read Resolution #5-2008 by title only. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-173) MOVED COSTA-SZOKO to adopt Resolution #5-2008 The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

- (8-174) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to accept the recommendation of the manager to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Allegheny County Redevelopment Authority for the potential disposition of vacant property and authorizing the appropriate officials to execute the Agreement. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-175) MOVED FIALLA-SZOKO to authorize the manager to advertise proposed Ordinance #988, entering into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Municipalities of Murrysville and Monroeville, and the Borough of Forest Hills for the purpose of jointly applying for a Greenhouse Gas Emissions grant. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-176) MOVED SZOKO-FIALLA to table the request to post the joint police merger study on the website until the next meeting. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-177) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to approve the request of the Allegheny County Police Training Academy to use the Board room on Monday and Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> only for the purpose of mandatory update training. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-178) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to accept the recommendation of the manager and approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the Township of Wilkins and Forest Hills for the maintenance of traffic signals. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-179) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to accept the recommendation of Chief Guthrie to appoint Officer Peter J. Hartzler as a fulltime police officer effective July 3, 2008. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-180) MOVED FIALLA-SZOKO to accept the recommendation of Chief Guthrie to enter into a DUI Task Force Cooperative Agreement. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-181) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to authorize the expenditure of \$100.00 for the microfilming of Township minutes by the PA Museum and Historical Commission and further authorizing the temporary loan of these documents to the PMHC to create the microfilm. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-182) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to authorize the expenditure of \$1,425.00 for the purpose of microfilming and digitizing approximately 9,500 pages of Resolutions and Ordinances by Compucom, Inc., and authorizing the temporary loan of these documents to Compucom, Inc., to create the microfilm and digitized computer discs. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO 06-2008

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE DONATION AND/OR DISPOSITION OF SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FIRST CLASS TOWNSHIP CODE ACT OF JUNE 24, 1931 (P.L. 1206 NO 331) REENACTED AND AMENDED MAY 27, 1949 (P.L. 1955, NO. 569) AS AMENDED.

- (8-183) MOVED PADULA-FIALLA to read Resolution #6-2008 by title only. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-184) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to adopt Resolution #6-2008. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-185) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to accept the recommendation of the Wilkins Township Planning Commission, approving the (reverse) subdivision application presented by Joseph and Enrichetta D'Andrea for Lot/Blocks 451-R-191 and 452-C-20, contingent upon the applicant complying with the recommendations presented in the Allegheny County Economic Development correspondence dated May 29, 2008. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-186) MOVED FIALLA-SZOKO to approve the request of Charles Bostaph, Monroeville Arts Council and Summer Art Show, to borrow 25 art screens and covers for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibit from July 22<sup>nd</sup> through July 29, 2008. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-187) MOVED COSTA-PADULA to approve an Act 202 Real Estate Tax Abatement, in accordance with Ordinance #979 for 1636 Vineesian Place (Lot/Block 453-P-229). The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-188) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to approve an Act 42 Real Estate Tax Abatement, in accordance with Ordinance #979 for 527 Washington Street (Lot/Block 454-N-134) The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Szoko voting NO.

(8-189) MOVED COSTA-PADULA to accept the recommendation of Mr. Vargo authorizing the Engineer to prepare bid specifications and advertise for bids for the replacement of the roof on the older portion of the Community Center at an estimated cost of \$12,000 - \$15,000. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(8-190) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to authorize any elected official to attend the Fall Conference of the Allegheny County and Western Pennsylvania Association of Township Commissioners to be held from September 25<sup>th</sup> through September 28, 2008 at Seven Springs at a cost of \$620.00 for Plan "A" and \$446.00 for Plan "B". The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Commissioner Szoko commented on the Summer Festival; recommended that the Township determine whether a hotel occupancy tax could be instituted and stated that the Township should review its' zoning ordinances to make sure that they are up to date. Also, indicated that he will be a half hour late for the next meeting of the Board, scheduled for August 11, 2008.

Commissioner Padula thanked those residents who stayed for the entire meeting; thanked the residents for their attendance at the Summer Festival; commented upon the Public Safety Committee meeting held to discuss the police regionalization study and congratulated Officer Hartzler on his promotion to regular officer status.

Commissioner Fialla congratulated Officer Hartzler for his promotion; thanked Sergeant Lamb for his attendance at the meeting; thanked the Public Works Department for their contributions to making the Summer Festival successful; thanked Peter McCarthy for his presentation on Records Management this evening and commented upon the Prudential proposal and the flat rate commission included therein.

Commissioner Costa thanked everyone for staying through the entire meeting; thanked all those who attended this years' Summer Festival; thanked the Public Works for all their work with the Festival; and stated that he sympathizes with the residents of McMasters, because he watches motorists go through the stop sign by his house on Lucia every day.

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Commissioner Wilson thanked everyone for staying until the end of the meeting, stated that he heard the Woodland Hills School Board would be meeting on Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at 7:00 PM to open the bids on the sale of the former Eastmont School Building; and congratulated Officer Hartzler on his promotion.

(8-191) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley  
Secretary