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Monies Collected during April \$3,496.07 \$3,129.16

Mr. Vargo’s DPW Report for April is on file in the Managers’ Office. Mrs. Martinelli advised the Board that Mr. Richard DeRiso had recently donated two ornamental pear trees to the Township. These trees were planted by the playground in Lions Park.

(7-121) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to authorize the Manager to submit a letter of thanks to Mr. Richard DeRiso for his donation of two ornamental pear trees which have been planted in Lions Park. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

WTVFD #1 reported the following for April 2007:

- 15 Fires with man-hours totaling 87.5
- 4 Practices with man-hours totaling 79.4
- 1 Meeting with man-hours of 27.

WTVFD #3 reported the following for April 2007:

- 15 Fires with man-hours totaling 30.51
- 10 Non incident activities with man-hours totaling 325.

The WHEMS Report is on file with the Fire Department Reports.

Building Permits issued during April 2007:

- 1 Single Family Home, Lot 10, 1637 Vineseian Place - cost \$150,000.00
- 1 Interior Alteration, Bldg 1, Suite 310 – PCMC Cost - \$8,262.00
- 1 Porch Roof, 1 Sun Room, 1469 Jefferson Hgts Road – Cost \$11,220.00
- 1 Pool, 252 Kingston Drive – Cost \$3,000.00
- 1 Sign and 1 Sign Replacement

Real Estate Tax for April 2007 totaled \$22,272.11.

Tax Collectors Report for April 2007:

Balance Collectable, beginning of Month	\$ 938,876.29
Additions	309.14
Deductions	-1,040.21
Adjusted Collectable	938,145.22
Less Face Collections for Month	790,016.64
Exonerations (Refunds this month)	1,019.13
Balance Collectable – End of month	148,128.58
Total Refunds to Date	1,108.36
Face Amount of Collections	790,016.64
Less Discounts	15,800.44
Total Cash Collected	\$774,216.20

PA Municipal Services – Act 511 Tax Report:

Earned Income Taxes:

Current Month	\$ 23,433.21	Previous Year	\$37,242.53	Difference
Current YTD	158,924.73	Previous YTD	156,906.08	\$2,018.65

Emergency & Municipal Services Tax:

Current Month	27,478.68	Previous Year	3,451.20	Difference
Current YTD	73,574.04	Previous YTD	36,864.80	36,709.24

Mercantile Tax:

Current Month	102,248.32	Previous Year	1,056,313.52	Difference
Current YTD	102,248.32	Previous YTD	1,059,928.35	(957,680.03)

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Business Privilege Tax:

Current Month	93,004.31	Previous Year	128,324.19	Difference
Current YTD	93,222.64	Previous YTD	131,470.63	(38,247.99)

The Solicitor's Report is on file in the Manager's Office. Commissioner Padula questioned a charge which appeared on the invoice which was paid at the April 30, 2007 meeting. Mr. McKay, Solicitor was unfamiliar with the invoice. The charge was \$93.50 related to a Department of Education garnishment for Commissioner Fialla.

Commissioner Fialla indicated that she has requested that the Solicitor remove this charge from the invoice. In the event that this does not occur, Mr. Fialla stated that she would reimburse the Township for that fee because she believes that it is unrelated to the Township.

Under the Recreation Report, Mr. Bill Stewart stated that the Advisory Board has been successful in raising \$7,600.00 in private donations as well as \$3.663. in booth rental registrations. That money, coupled with the estimated ticket sales (based on last years') of \$5,993.00 and \$500.00 in start up cash will provide \$17,756.00 to hold Community Days. The Advisory Board has scaled back the bands, from five to three. The Buffet Man will play on Wednesday night, Johnny Angel on Friday night and the Vogues on Saturday night. The fireworks display has also been scaled back and there will not be a tent for this year's event. The Board is continuing to work with Tropical Amusement on generators and port-a-john rentals. At this point, there is \$838.00 surplus for incidentals.

Commissioner Greco stated that he had spoken with Senator Costa by telephone this afternoon. Senator Costa believes that he may be able to provide the Township with a \$5,000.00 Steel Valley grant. Mrs. Bradley is to contact Senator Costa on Wednesday to begin the paperwork.

(7-122) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to authorize the Recreation Advisory Board to proceed with Community Days, as outlined. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Questions on the motion: Commissioner Fialla questioned whether the cost of repairs to the Cinema Site was included in the estimated expenditures. Mr. Stewart indicated that it is on the sheet that he provided to the Board and is included. Commissioner Fialla also questioned what would happen if the Recreation Board was not successful in selling the same amount of carnival tickets this year as last and whether the group had a contingency to cover that. Mr. Stewart stated that last years' ticket sales were down because they had several rain dates. He cannot predict the weather, but believes that the ticket sales for 2007 will be the same as or better than 2006. The only contingency that the Recreation Board has is as is stated on the sheet that he provided to the Board.

Senate Engineering Report is on file in the Manager's Office. Under Engineering Report, Commissioner Padula questioned the work that has recently been performed at the site of the culvert owned by Harvey Taylor. Mr. Hill reported that he noticed a contractor named Foerster, who had just completed working on the culvert. Mr. Foerster indicated that he was hired by Meyers' Bus Company to clean the debris away from the culvert. Mr. Hill contacted DEP, but they have not yet responded. Mr. McKeever also recommended that the Board approve Pay Estimate #2 for the 2006 Paving Project to A. Folino in the amount of \$177,117.48. Senate is recommending continued retention of funds until the punch list items are complete. Paving is completed at this point. Commissioner Wilson mentioned that the Board had received a nice message from a resident of Gilmore Drive regarding the great job that was done. Mr. McKeever stated that there was an extensive amount of base repair on Gilmore Drive, but over all, it appears that the contract is under the bid price by about \$14,000.00.

- (7-123) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to authorize the payment of Estimate #2 to A. Folino in the amount of \$177,117.48, as recommended by the Engineer. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-124) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to approve the Schedule of Bills, as presented in the amount of \$128,775.29.(Prior to Commissioner Fialla making this motion, she questioned the Solicitors' bill, indicating that she believed there were duplicate charges. After her review, she stated that she was mistaken.) The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-125) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to authorize the employment of four (4) summer road crew workers: Steve Meyer at \$9.00 per hour, Luke Watson at \$9.00 per hour and Jon D'Alessandro at \$8.00 per hour (and one new hire – see next motion) and authorizing Mr. Vargo to proceed with the in-house paving, as follows: Farnsworth Avenue, from Curry to Patterson – asphalt overlay – Cost \$19,370.: Wilbur Avenue – base repair and asphalt overlay – cost : \$8,745, Sylvia Lane – base repair and under drain - \$12,147.00: Ridge Street – base and curb repair, reset guardrails - \$5,156.00: Sunset Drive – based repair and under drain - \$16,307.00: Highland Avenue, from Saw Mill to Mortimer – Asphalt overlay - \$8,522.00: Mortimer Avenue, from Negley to Highland - asphalt overlay \$6,881.00: and Cherry Way – base repair, binder and asphalt overlay \$3,289.00.The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-126) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to hire Shane McClelland as a summer road crew worker at an hourly rate of \$8.00. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-127) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to authorize the Manager to advertise for amendment to Ordinance #980, the stop sign ordinance due to several errors which were discovered in the street list and also to add the intersection of Elizabeth at Rita to the ordinance. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-128) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to appoint Michael Berger to the Civil Service Commission to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. Elias Sejko, who recently resigned. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Question on the motion: Commissioner Fialla questioned whether any other alternates on the Civil Service Board had requested appointment to this position and why Mr. Wilson was appointing Mr. Berger. Mr. Wilson stated that Mr. Berger is currently an alternate. All of the alternates were appointed simultaneously and he believes that Mr. Berger would make a good replacement for Mr. Sejko. He further indicated that Commissioner Fialla could make a motion to appoint someone else if she so desired.

- (7-129) MOVED PADULA-WILSON to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission approving the reverse subdivision application of Mr. Joseph D'Andrea, combining Lot/Block #451-P-25 with 451-B-10. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (7-130) MOTION MARTINELLI-FIALLA to accept the recommendation of the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments, awarding the low bid for the demolition of 340 Cline Street to J&S Excavation at a bid amount of \$6,875.00. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-131)MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to approve the following projects for submission to the Council of Governments for CDBG Year 34: Demolition of: Sunset Bowling Lanes, 838 Larimer Avenue, and 840 Larimer Avenue. Reconstruction of Montgomery Street and Washington Avenue and renovations to the Rescue #1 building. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Padula thanked the Recreation Advisory Board for all their hard work in raising funds for Community Days and thanked all of the local businesses and residents for their support. He also thanked Senator Costa for the grant opportunity and wished Commissioner Greco well with his surgery, scheduled for tomorrow.

Commissioner Fialla thanked the Recreation Board for their work and wished Officer Frisk well in his new position. Also questioned whether Mrs. Bradley had spoken with the residents of Gilmore Drive regarding Community Days yet. Mrs. Bradley replied that she has not done so, due to the fact that Community Days was on hold for the last month.

Commissioner Wilson stated that the VFW on Cline Street in Wilkins Township will be hosting a Memorial Day service beginning at 10:00 AM on Monday and invited all interested residents to participate. He also apologized to the audience for his impatience with some of the “What if” questions posed by Commissioner Fialla. He stated if we always “What if’d,” we would never get anything done. What if a swarm of killer bees attacks the Township during Community Days? Again, he apologizes to the audience for his impatience. Finally, he wished Commissioner Greco the best with his surgery scheduled for tomorrow and wished everyone a happy Memorial Day.

Commissioner Martinelli stated that her hat is off to the Recreation Advisory Board. They have done a great job and she really appreciates their efforts. She also stated that the Century Club has donated \$400.00 to the Township to purchase new tables for the auditorium and \$600.00 to each of the three volunteer fire departments. She invited all interested residents to participate in the Memorial Day service planned for Monday, beginning at 10:30 AM at the Mates-Linhart Cemetery on Harrison Road.

Commissioner Greco thanked the Recreation Advisory Board for their efforts. Without the work of this group, there would be no Community Days. They are true volunteers. He thanked everyone for their attendance this evening.

(7-132)MOVED WILSON-FIALLA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley  
Secretary

