

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SECOND MEETING, MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2007

The Second Meeting of Monday, January 29, 2007 was brought to order at 7:00 PM by President Mr. Frank J. Greco. A quorum was present as follows:

Mr. Greco		Mrs. Martinelli
Mr. Wilson	Mr. Padula	Ms. Fialla

(7-22) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of January 8, 2007. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

1. Dora Packowski, 194 Ridge Street questioned information contained in the Woodland Hills Progress regarding the proposed Community Center and also Ms. Fialla's letter to the editor.
2. Jerry Meyer of 103 Linhart Street questioned whether the additional costs for maintenance and utilities for the Community Center have been determined and also expressed concern about businesses, particularly PharmaCare, moving out of Wilkins and the impact upon revenues if that happens.
3. David Kemp of 340 Frazier Drive questioned what the Township is doing to address the vacancy rate of commercial space within the Route 22 corridor, specifically, Penn Center and the Cinema.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Mr. Timothy Olshefski, Records Management Intern: Advising the Board that he has completed the first phase of the Records Management project and further advising of recommended next steps.
2. Mr. Don McConnell, 131 Queenston Drive requesting appointment to the Wilkins Township Zoning Hearing Board.

(7-23) MOVED PADULA-FIALLA to appoint Mr. Don McConnell of 131 Queenston Drive to the Zoning Hearing Board for the period January 30, 2007 through December 31, 2010. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

3. Ms. Barbara Fallon, CD Coordinator, Turtle Creel Valley Council of Government advising that Wilkins Township was awarded \$10,312.00 in CD 33 Safe Neighborhood Demolition Funding. The Township applied for two demolition projects in Year 33 – Sunset Bowling Lanes with an estimated cost of demolition of \$61,125. and 340 Cline Street with an estimated cost of \$8,500. Mrs. Bradley recommended that the Board authorize proceeding with the demolition of 340 Cline Street and additionally, authorize the engineer to prepare specifications for the demolition of the Spencer house at 174 Churchill Lane. Funding for the Churchill Lane demolition will be a mixture of remaining CD funds and Township appropriation to the new Community Development Fund.

(7-24) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to accept the recommendation of the Manager to authorize the demolition of 340 Cline Street and further authorize the engineer to prepare specifications and bid documents for the demolition of 174 Churchill Lane. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

4. Mrs. Lorraine Buck, Past-President of the Penhurst Civic Association requesting an appropriation of \$200,00, as authorized for Civic Associations by the First Class Township Code. Action on this request was tabled pending receipt of additional information, including the current Board of Directors for the Civic Association and the use of the funding provided by the Township.
5. Woodland Hills Emergency Medical Services. Requesting a \$2.00 per capita donation by the Township.

(7-25) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to authorize the distribution of \$6,917.00 to Woodland Hills Emergency Medical Services as appropriated in the 2007 General Fund Budget. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-26) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to accept the proposed final design of the Community Center, with the exception of the addition of a room partition and authorizing Mavrovich Architects to prepare drawings, specifications and final design. The motion was adopted by a 4 to 1 vote with Ms. Fialla voting NO..

(7-27) MOVED WILSON-PADULA to authorize the Solicitor to amend the proposed tax abatement ordinances as per the recommendations made by the manager. The motion was adopted by a 4 to 1 vote with Ms. Fialla voting NO.

(7-28) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to appoint Mr. Jeremy Frisk of Wilkinsburg Borough to the position of probationary police officer, contingent upon the successful completion of required psychological and physical testing. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, SPONSORING A BANNER ACROSS LARIMER AVENUE, FOR COMMUNITY DAYS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. DISTRICT 11.0.

(7-29) MOTION MARTINELLI-WILSON to read Resolution #3-07 by title only.

(7-30) MOTION MARTINELLI-PADULA to adopt Resolution #3-07.

Motions 7-29 and 7-30 were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, SPONSORING A BANNER ACROSS WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY, STATE ROUTE BUSINESS 22, FOR COMMUNITY DAYS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DISTRICT 11-0.

(7-31) MOVED WILSON-PADULA to read Resolution #4-07 by title only.

(7-32) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to adopt Resolution #4-07,

Motions 7-31 and 7-32 were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC RECORDS IN CONFORMANCE WITH RESOLUTION NUMBER 08-03 AND THE MUNICIPAL RECORD MANUAL APPROVED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS COMMITTEE ON JULY 16, 1993.

(7-33) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to read Resolution #5-2007 by title only.

(7-34) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to adopt Resolution #5-2007.

Motions 7-33 and 7-34 were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-35) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to authorize the Manager to submit the following two projects to the Local Government Academy for the 2007 Municipal Intern Program: Records Management and GIS. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-36) MOVED FIALLA-MARTINELLI to grant the request of the Wilkins Township Democratic Committee to use the Municipal Building on Thursday, February 8, 2007 from 7:30 PM until 9:00 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-37) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to authorize the appropriate officials to execute a contract between Starfire and Wilkins Township for the Community Days Fireworks, contingent upon the review and approval of the Solicitor. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-38) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI to authorize the attendance of elected officials at the Allegheny League of Municipalities 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held at Seven Springs April 12<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$590.00 per person (Plan A). The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(7-39) MOVED MARTINELLI-WILSON to authorize the attendance of elected officials at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments dinner to be held at the Churchill Valley Country Club on Friday, February 23, 2007 at a cost of \$50.00 per participant. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Mr. Padula extended his sympathy to the family of Mr. McGrath on the advent of his passing; thanked the Department of Public Works for the stage improvements and reminded all in attendance that it is now the law in Pennsylvania that when you have your windshield wipers on, you must turn on your headlights.

Ms. Fialla thanked everyone for their attendance and wished them a safe trip home.

Mrs. Martinelli thanked everyone for coming; thanked the Department of Public Works for the stage improvements, and thanked Tim Saunders of the Public Works Department for all of his work in putting together the new sound system.

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Mr. Wilson congratulated Mr. Jeremy Frisk on his appointment to the position of probationary police officer; thanked Mr. Hill for following through on the concern of the residents with the fire alarm system at Wilkins Primary School and stated that it should be quite obvious to the audience at tonight's meeting that this board is not a "rubber stamp" board. Not all members agree on all items; thanked everyone for their attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Greco thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

(7-40) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.  
The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley  
Secretary