

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SECOND STATED MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012

The Second Stated Meeting of Monday, February 27, 2012 was brought to order at 7:00 PM by President Sylvia J. Martinelli. A quorum was present as follows:

Mrs. Martinelli		Ms. Criner
Mr. Boyd	Mr. Costa	Mr. Wilson

Mrs. Martinelli announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss two items of personnel.

(68-12) MOVED WILSON-COSTA to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2012 with one correction, under Commissioners Comments, Mr. Boyd's name is misspelled. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Communications:

Mr. Tim Naglich, a ninth grade student at Woodland Hills High School, submitted a letter requesting a donation from the Township to allow him to participate as a member of the People to People Student Ambassador Program and travel to England, Scotland and Wales next summer.

(69-12) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI authorizing the donation of \$100 to Mr. Naglich to help sponsor his participation in the People to People Student Ambassador Program. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Martinelli shared correspondence that she received from Mr. Ken Riling of 361 Churchill Road that was submitted to President Obama, Senator Costa, Representative Costa, and Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald requesting help in stopping the unfairness associated with the court-ordered reassessment. Mr. Riling stated that reassessments on properties in lower income communities are higher than reassessments on properties in more affluent communities and that the formula for funding school districts is broken. Mr. Riling requested that a town meeting be held to address these issues.

Mrs. Martinelli also shared Senator Costa's response to Mr. Riling's letter. Senator Costa shares Mr. Riling's concerns and is continuing to work with the Senate in supporting Senate Bill 1280, which would provide for moratorium legislation. He also stated that the anti-windfall legislation which was adopted at the time of the last reassessment will help to ensure that property owners are treated fairly.

Citizens' Comments:

Mr. Al DeRoy of 94 Ridgecrest Drive requested that the Board of Commissioners take every action within their power to limit the oil and gas industry from placing wells in Wilkins.

Mr. Karl Crary of 256 Penhurst Drive questioned what the total amount of refund to employees for medical contributions would be if the Board approved the reimbursement.

Mrs. Dorothy Musial of 313 Frazier Drive questioned what the total premium per employee for 2012 will be once the medical plan is changed.

(70-12) MOVED COSTA-CRINER approving the following use of 2012 IDA Funds and authorizing the manager to correspond with the IDA Board as to their intent: 1) Pave the Community Center Parking Lot: \$12,000; 2) Upgrade the sound system in the auditorium \$2,000 and 3) Purchase and install bicycle racks at the three parks \$1,000.

(71-12) MOVED COSTA-BOYD to remand the proposed cell tower ordinance amendments back to the Planning Commission for the purpose of adding inspection conditions and the elimination of the authorization to install cell towers in residentially zoned neighborhoods.

(72-12) MOVED WILSON-COSTA authorizing the manager to advertise for a public hearing in early April for the purpose of hearing a proposed amendment to the Zoning Map for properties owned by PCE LL LP.

(73-12) MOVED COSTA-BOYD authorizing Chester Engineers to apply for a joint Highway Occupancy Permit with the PA Department of Transportation for the benefit of the Township of Wilkins and Carl's Tavern, which will include a stipulation that Carl's Tavern is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the infrastructure.

Motions 70-12 to 73-12 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE ATTACHED LIST OF AUTHORIZED CHECK SIGNERS AND THE REMOVAL OF OUT OF DATE SIGNATORIES

(74-12) MOVED COSTA-BOYD to adopt Resolution #6-2012. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RESOLVING THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS FORMALLY REQUESTS A GRANT FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY ("RAAC") AND DESIGNATING SYLVIA J. MARTINELLI AS THE OFFICIAL TO FILE ALL APPLICATIONS, DOCUMENTS AND FORMS BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS AND THE RAAC.

RESOLUTION NO. 8-2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RESOLVING THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS FORMALLY REQUESTS A GRANT FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY ("RAAC") AND DESIGNATING SYLVIA J. MARTINELLI AS THE OFFICIAL TO FILE ALL APPLICATIONS, DOCUMENTS AND FORMS BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS AND THE RAAC.

(75-12) MOVED WILSON-CRINER, to read Resolution #7-2012 and #8-2012 by title only.

(76-12) MOVED WILSON-CRINER to adopt Resolution #7 and #8 of 2012.

Motions 75-12 to 76-12 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL GENERAL RELEASE BY AND BETWEEN THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY, THE MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE, THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, THE BOROUGH OF TURTLE CREEK AND THE BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL FOR CLEANING AND TELEVISIONING OF THE THOMPSON RUN INTERCEPTOR PERFORMED UNDER ALCOSAN CONTRACT

(77-12) MOVED COSTA-WILSON to read Resolution #9-2012 by title only.

(78-12) MOVED COSTA-WILSON to adopt Resolution #9-2012.

Motions 77-12 to 78-12 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(79-12) MOVED COSTA-MARTINELLI authorizing the donation of \$300 to the Memorial Day Committee for the Memorial Day festivities which will be held at the Churchill Cemetery on Monday, May 28, 2012 beginning at 11:00 AM.

(80-12) MOVED COSTA-BOYD authorizing Mr. Hill to attend the Local Government Academy Seminar "New Tools in the Blight Fight" on March 8, 2012 from 8:00 AM until 11:30 AM at the Sheraton at Station Square at a cost of \$20.00.

(81-12) MOVED WILSON-COSTA to change the date of the May Board of Commissioners meeting from Monday, May 14th to Monday, May 21st at the request of Mrs. Martinelli.

(82-12) MOVED WILSON-COSTA authorizing the Manager to advise FEMA that the Township will agree to seek preapproval appraisals on the six properties included in grant application HMGP-1898, contingent upon the Township being reimbursed for these appraisals when the grant is awarded.

Motions 79-12 to 82-12 inclusive were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(83-12) MOVED WILSON-MARTINELLI accepting the request of the Maintenance Employees Union and Non-Union employees to reimburse them for medical contributions made in 2011 and 2012. The motion was defeated by a 2 to 2 vote with Mr. Boyd and Ms. Criner voting “NO” and Mr. Costa abstaining.

(84-12) MOVED BOYD-CRINER tabling the Maintenance Employees Union and Non-union employees request for reimbursement of medical contributions made in 2011 and 2012. The motion was defeated by a 2 to 2 vote with Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Martinelli voting “NO” and Mr. Costa abstaining.

Commissioners’ Comments:

Mr. Boyd mentioned that he was glad to see that Scott’s Lawn Service of Monroeville was fined \$160,000 for illegally and intentionally discharging wastewater containing herbicides, pesticides and fertilizer into a tributary of Thompson Run.

Mrs. Martinelli announced that she has accepted an offer from County Executive Fitzgerald to be a Liaison for Local Governments.

(85-12) MOVED WILSON-COSTA to adjourn, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary