

BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL  
2300 WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15235

Minutes of Meeting

May 8, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Churchill was held in the Municipal Building on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 and was called to order by Lawrence J. Lepidi at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Lepidi led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present included Ms. McAbee, Mrs. Pantlik, Messrs. Dworin and Jurewicz. Messrs. Ferry and Kline were absent. Also present were Mayor McKenna, Robert W. Goehring, Police Chief Park, and Donna Perry. Mr. Daniel Duerring was absent.

MINUTES – There was a motion made by Mr. Dworin and seconded by Mr. Jurewicz that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 10, 2012 be approved as previously presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR – There was a motion by Mrs. Pantlik and seconded by Ms. McAbee to accept the report. The motion was unanimously approved.

MANAGER & FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS – Mr. Robinson stated the Fire Department had 11 calls in April making the year to date total 66.

Mr. Robinson further stated we will be working to get the sewer work and paving projects underway.

There was a motion by Mr. Jurewicz, seconded by Mr. Dworin and unanimously approved by Voice Vote that these reports be accepted and filed as presented.

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR – Mr. Robinson reported that real estate taxes at face for the month of April were \$719,336.17, less discounts of \$14,386.14 for a total \$704,950.03. The balance collectable is \$387,562.07.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Robinson read the following report for the month of April, 2012. It showed the following:

<u>CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING BANK BALANCE</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>O/S CHECKS AND DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>ENDING CASH BALANCES</u>
REGULAR ACCOUNT	860,069.25	1,269,326.20	749,778.41	1,379,617.04
CAPITAL RES. ACCT.	158,345.19	10.73	-0-	158,355.92

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ROAD & HIGHWAY	203,258.14	13.71	-0-	203,271.85
SEWAGE AGENCY FUND	57,313.93	93,932.87	82,370.14	68,876.66
SPECIAL ACCOUNT	12,469.91	1,460.50	1,460.00	12,470.41
POLICE PENSION FUND	3,086.00	3,514.81	6,600.81	-0-
EMPL. PENSION FUND	840.76	990.76	1,831.52	-0-
WELFARE BENEFIT	670.73	-0-	-0-	670.73
EMPL. SEC. 457 D.C.P.	-0-	9,926.83	1,850.00	8,076.83

There was a motion by Mr. Dworin, seconded by Mrs. Pantlik and unanimously approved by Voice Vote to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of April and have it reproduced in the minutes.

**EARNED INCOME TAX**

**DEED TRANSFER**

**DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX** – Mr. Robinson reported that the Earned Income Tax Collector reported the collection of \$30,639.78 for the month of April.

Deed Transfer Tax collection totaled \$4,970.56 for the month of April.

Jordan Tax Service collected delinquent taxes in the amount of \$3,950.23 for the month of April.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pantlik, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved that the reports be filed.

**LISTEN TO VISITORS** - Prior to listening to visitors, Mr. Lepidi explained that later in the meeting Council will consider enactment of a resolution that will set protocol guidelines at Borough meetings for citizen participation. Speakers will be asked to identify themselves by name and address, plus comments will be limited to our taxpayers and residents unless Council agrees to listen to non-residents. Comments will be limited to a five minute time limit or ten minutes for a person representing a group of people.

Charlene McAbee of Garrick Drive expressed her agreement with Council that speakers should be Borough residents.

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AWARD BID FOR 2012 CCTV INSPECTION & CLEANING – There was a motion by Ms. McAbee, seconded by Mrs. Pantlik and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4233 to award the 2012 CCTV Inspection and Cleaning bid to Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of \$15,265.59.

AWARD BID FOR 2012 ROAD PAVING PROJECT – There was a motion by Ms. McAbee, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4234 to award the 2012 Road Paving bid to El Grande Industries in the amount of \$113,234.50.

ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO SET THE PROTOCOL AT BOROUGH MEETINGS – Mrs. Pantlik explained that guidelines have been established for Borough meetings that include workshop, business, public meetings and executive session. A full explanation of the guidelines will be posted on the Borough website.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pantlik, seconded by Mr. Dworin and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4235 to set the protocol at Borough meetings for citizen participation.

S. ALLEN SCHREIBER PROCLAMATION – Mayor McKenna read a proclamation in honor of the late S. Allen Schreiber who passed away recently and who served as Assistant Treasurer of the Borough. He had a devoted interest and passion for the Borough and was a regular attendee at Workshop and Regular Meetings of Borough Council.

PAY THE BILLS – Mr. Robinson read the bills for the month and they totaled \$186,346.65. There was a motion by Mr. Dworin, seconded by Mr. Jurewicz and unanimously approved by Roll Call Vote for the adoption of Resolution No. 4236 to pay the bills.

AROUND THE TABLE – Mr. Kline was absent because he had to travel to be with his ailing father who had a fall and Mr. Jurewicz expressed well wishes to him.

Mr. Jurewicz also complimented Mr. Lepidi for leading an extremely well run Workshop Meeting last night as well as the Business Meeting tonight.

He expressed kudos to the Recreation Board for the Kennywood presentation and stated it was very well received by the attendees.

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The Local Government Academy presented a recycling outing that Mr. Jurewicz attended and he informed that we are looking into a recycling program that would work for the Borough.

Mr. Jurewicz said he is excited about the infrastructure monies spent for road paving and felt Council should accelerate our road paving program.

Mrs. Pantlik reported that approximately 60 people attended the Kennywood presentation and five boxes of food were collected for the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, along with \$275 in monetary donations.

She also informed the Recreation Board is moving its regular monthly meetings to the third Monday of the month.

The next event is the Bullock Pens Park event on Saturday, May 19 that will include a guided walking tour, weeding and grilling. She invited everyone to attend.

The Recreation Board is probably going to conduct a photo contest over the summer to try to have all age groups participate. They are hoping to get great pictures of the Borough.

Solicitor Goehring stated Ms. McAbee asked him to put in writing his comments regarding the Act 13 Unconventional Gas Well Fee Act. He did so and advised Council this information should be in their packets.

Mr. Lepidi thanked Council for their cooperation at both the Workshop and Business Meetings. He noted that some of the items covered at the Workshop Meeting included Act 13, the new drilling law for the state. We actually have good comprehensive provisions in our current zoning law that we passed in 2007 that covers this issue. The new act has a provision that the PUC can review our ordinance to determine if we are in compliance with the state laws. We plan to submit our ordinance to them for review later in the year. Mr. Jurewicz's committee is formulating information on this issue for the website.

The sale of the Westinghouse property is still up in the air. Mr. Lepidi stated this is the largest parcel of property in borough and we are anxiously awaiting the outcome.

He also informed that the Borough office regularly maintains a property maintenance list and numerous letters have been sent to remedy issues to be in compliance with our ordinance. Numerous letters have been sent to property owners regarding cutting their grass.

As part of the Recreation Board's potential photo contest, Mayor McKenna suggested updating some pictures in the Council Chambers with some of the winning photos.

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ADJOURN – There was a motion duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting until Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

CRAIG A. ROBINSON  
BOROUGH MANAGER