

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
Monday, January 12, 2009  
7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Eisaman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Administrator, Susan Trout, took roll call with the following members present: Councilman DePasquale, Councilman Peterinelli, Councilman Tridico, Councilman Finfrock and Mayor Eisaman. City Solicitor, Timothy McCormick and City Treasurer/Fiscal Director, Mary Perez were also present.

**\*\*\*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE\*\*\***Councilman Peterinelli

**\*\*\*BIDS\*\*\***

**Supply and Delivery of Sixteen (16) Decorative Light Poles.** Ms. Trout, "Recommended for acceptance by the City's engineering consultant, Gibson-Thomas Engineering Company, Inc., Council approval accepts the only bid that was submitted from Scott Electric in the amount of \$6,318 for each light pole for a total of \$101,088. These are decorative light poles to enhance the area around Ehalt Street and College Avenue. As you know we would be paying this through our Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money."

Mayor Eisaman, "At no cost to the City?"

Ms. Trout, "Correct."

Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to accept the bid from Scott Electric, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to accept the bid.**

**\*\*\*COMMENTS/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR\*\*\***

**Steven Althardt, 2439 Long Street, Greensburg, PA.** Mr. Althardt, "I'm 19 years old and I'm sorry if I'm a little bit nervous; I've never done this before. I am a sophomore at St. Vincent College and recently my friends and I were looking for a place to live in Greensburg. When we did find a place that was open to students we found out there is an Ordinance that I did not know about before. The Ordinance sounds pretty good to me with the yearly inspection of the houses that the students live in, the yearly permit that needs issued and they limit it to five students per house, which I also agree with. I want to thank you for all the time and consideration you put into the Ordinance so far. It sounds like you're really looking out for the safety of the students and the residents of the City. I lived here all my life. I was born in Westmoreland Hospital and I lived in South Greensburg ever since and graduated from Hempfield. Whenever I found out I wasn't going to be able to live in Greensburg it destroyed me. It was really hard for me. I really like it here and I'd like to stay here. We have four surrounding colleges; St. Vincent, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (UPG), Westmoreland County Community College (WCCC) and Seton Hill, which are all respected schools. To live on campus at St. Vincent or UPG it costs over \$8,000. For a student to live at Seton Hill it can be well over \$5,000. Living in the City is cheaper and I also like it a lot better. I love the City. The restriction in the Ordinance is 500 feet and another college town I can think of is Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), and they have a 400-feet restriction and that's a much larger City. It is good to have a restriction and I agree with that, but maybe a different restriction that would help kids to get into the City. A lot of kids just can't find a place. I've called several people."

Mayor Eisaman, "Sorry to interrupt you but in our Downtown District there is no limitation and right now we have two people, we know of one for sure, that is moving forward with renovations of second and third floors of buildings to develop apartments in downtown Greensburg. Obviously we understand the student housing between St. Vincent, Seton Hill, UPG and WCCC, because we're also working with the Transit Authority to provide a loop at some point between Seton Hill and the downtown area; hopefully we can expand it to UPG. If we're successful with those institutions, hopefully we can get to Unity Township and St. Vincent and do a complete loop."

Mr. Althardt, "I understand that and I have searched in the Downtown District for a house or an apartment to live in, and what I found was there aren't many. The ones I did find and would rent to me were somewhat expensive. The place I looked at was extremely nice. I never saw a rentable house like that before, and it was only two blocks outside the Downtown District. You said they are building apartments, but that takes time and we've had vacant houses for over three years that are just sitting there becoming decrepit. I think

if we were to move in that would help promote business. You want to move into the downtown area, but I also believe that we need to spread out. I would like students to be a part of the community. I would love to help out with anything in the City, and I'm sure other students would. I know that students do have a bad rep with partying and it really is a shame that a few ruin it for the rest. All of these schools around here are respectable and I really believe if their students were partying and becoming a nuisance to the town they wouldn't allow it either. I wouldn't allow it myself. So that is true; students do party. It's a shame that we have that rep. But there are also good students. For instance last March we had a police officer that was attacked, and two Seton Hill students that were on Concord Avenue saved her from being beaten. I believe he took her taser and tried to use it on her. I think that shows there are students that are respectable and responsible. We're paying thousands and thousands of dollars to go to school. I would love to live in the City that I grew up in and go to school there while I'm growing up and possibly stay here for my life. Parking is also an issue I understand from past minutes. I don't know too much about it, but some suggestions would be to paint lines so people wouldn't 'double park' or if somebody has off-street parking, require them to use it so that there is more on-street parking."

Mayor Eisaman, "Some of the concerns with parking are similar to what you said. The lines provide a little bit of guidance, but the problem is when the town was built in some of the older sections there may have been one car to a household. Now in just a family or a student home you're probably averaging between two to four cars. In front of a lot may only be 60-80 feet in width, and you're probably only going to be able to get two cars in there, and if you have a fire hydrant or other situations....."

Mr. Althardt, "I understand all those problems, but I think we need to make a solution. I think we need to bring business into town and I think bringing the youth in is something that will help out greatly. It just kind of bothers me that I'm not able to find a place to live. A lot of students I've spoken to feel discriminated. I don't understand how someone that could drop out of college would be allowed to live in a house and nothing else would apply. Just because I'm responsible and go to a college I'm not permitted to live within 500 feet of another student house. So what I would suggest and I hope that you will greatly consider is getting the community involved in this. I'd love to have a Student Association where we could talk with Council to come up with something. I would gladly volunteer to be a part of that."

Mayor Eisaman, "I think we're currently working with Seton Hill University and UPG."

Ms. Ciampini, "Actually the Greensburg Community Development Corporation (GCDC) is in the process of formulating a website for students to go to and find residences within the entire area. We could sure use your help. I will give you my card."

Mr. Althardt, "Okay. I would just really like to work together. It seems like the students aren't really getting their voices out. Also, it's the landlord's business, too, and we're taking that away from them, and I don't want to take business away from Greensburg. I want to promote it. I'd love to build up the City, but we need to work together as a community and the students are part of the community. So please consider what I've said tonight."

Mayor Eisaman, "For the record, and Solicitor, correct me if I'm wrong, we just passed this Ordinance last year, and when we pass an ordinance in the City, we are not permitted to make changes to that for a period of one or two years?"

Solicitor McCormick, "I think it's two years if I'm not mistaken."

Mayor Eisaman, "That's why when we changed it this past year in the summer, it was two or three years after it was previously....."

Ms. Ciampini, "It was originally adopted in 2005."

Mr. Althardt, "And you changed it in July?"

Ms. Ciampini, "And we made amendments last July in 2008. So we won't be able to make changes until 2011."

Mayor Eisaman, "We still would like to work and get all the colleges together to promote everything. In addition, with the City of Greensburg, it might be a good thing that Hempfield Township, South and Southwest all work together on this same issue, because all of us are experiencing the growth of these universities. I agree 100% with you. Our whole idea when this was adopted had nothing to do with the youth having fun at night. It was more about parking, public safety and protection of the homeowners' rights in the communities."

Mr. Althardt, "I'd like to help out and I appreciate you giving me your card, but another thing is just time. Right now I live illegally in someone's house and I don't have internet or cable and its poor living conditions, but it's something that I can have to be able to live away from my parents' house and live independently. Right now I need to move out and I need to move out now. As soon as we can get this done, the better, because I just need a

place to live and so do lots of students. That's not something they should need to worry about while they're going to college. Thank you for your time. I appreciate it."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you. You did a very nice job with your presentation."

**James Scholze, 715 Jeffrey Street, Greensburg, PA.** Mr. Scholze, "I'm a new kid on the block in Greensburg. I find a lot of good things said about the town and I'd like to see it continue. I can understand the young fellow that was here ahead of me. This is an idea of the type of people you're going to have in this town if it grows as you would like it to grow, and so would I. I'm originally from Forest Hills, and they had a pretty good regime down there. I see a lot of things, particularly the traffic situation, and most particularly from Urania on east. I think you got a 1950's system in there for traffic flow. And if Council would grant me a five gallon bucket of yellow paint and a brush, I could straighten it out in no time at all."

Mayor Eisaman, "You're referring to Pittsburgh Street and Urania?"

Mr. Scholze, "And on through where it divides; where Route 130 leaves Route 30."

Mayor Eisaman, "PennDOT controls the timing on all the lights throughout the City because Pittsburgh Street, Main Street, Otterman Street and Hamilton Avenue are all State roads. So as much as we to talk to them, probably every other year, about changing timing; we get complaints from Route 130 when they are sitting at the red light at Pittsburgh Street trying to make the left at the Davis Center at low peak times, like late at night, and they'll sit there for two minutes, and PennDOT has not been cooperative with us over the years."

Mr. Scholze, "Well, the timing is alright, but apparently nobody wants to maintain that 35 mile per hour speed limit. The main reason they don't is because it turns going into the shopping center and at every one of them you'll find a telephone pole right in the corner. People swing wide because they have a sense that the telephone pole is going to hit the right rear of their car, so that slows things down. But on some of it you get a stacking lane approaching the intersection you were speaking of, and you have the center lane and the westbound people turning into the center cannot use the center lane to make the turn, which backs it all the way up and all the way down the other way."

Mayor Eisaman, "Chief, was it four or six years ago we went to PennDOT and asked them to change or reverse that so we had the center lane coming into town and you could make the left into the Davis Center?"

Chief Lyons, "The PennDOT engineers have studied Pittsburgh Street and designed the traffic flow pattern. They control the street because it is a State highway, and like the Mayor said, sometimes State government is not always cooperative in what they'd like to do; it's what their engineers tell them to do."

Mr. Scholze, "Well, apparently they need someone to beat on them then. You're the ones that are suffering because of this."

Mayor Eisaman, "Yes, I'm not arguing."

Mr. Scholze, "That young fellow that spoke before me; if this is the type of people you're going to get in Greensburg, you're lucky. You're lucky, so keep that in mind, and I think something could be done without any major problems or major changes to East Pittsburgh Street, just striping or a few street signs would correct it. So what's the next move; where do we go from here?"

Mayor Eisaman, "What are you referencing?"

Mr. Scholze, "The signage."

Mayor Eisaman, "Could I ask a favor of you? Could you meet with the Chief or the Captain and go over some of your ideas?"

Mr. Scholze, "I'd be glad to. I'm retired."

Solicitor McCormick, "Can I make a suggestion? Why don't you contact our local State Representative and State Senator and suggest to them that they take the initiative to come to the City as opposed to always the other way around to cure some of these problems?"

Mr. Scholze, "I suggested that with Regola and with Tom Tangretti, too."

Solicitor McCormick, "Well, we have two new ones who are eager to please right now."

Mr. Scholze, "I hear a lot of talk about Greensburg growing and it is growing. Apparently they're making a lot of improvements. But that eastern side of Greensburg is terrible. People can't get into town. They don't want to come to town. They'd rather go out to the mall where there's free parking since parking is another one of your problems. But you know what your problems are. I'd be glad to meet with the Chief and show him some of the things. I live in Hickory and I'm in town almost every day, and, boy, can it be frustrating. Thank you, gentlemen and ladies."

Mayor Eisaman, "I'm a salesperson and I'm on that road a good bit, too, so I understand."

Councilman Peterinelli, "You know when the bypass went through they said Greensburg would be a dead town and it's bigger than ever now. Traffic goes all the way from Pittsburgh Street and on."

Mayor Eisaman, "Are you talking about the Amos K. Hutchinson Bypass?"

Councilman Peterinelli, "Yes."

Mr. Scholze, "Well that area I spoke of seems to be the big block, because going on the western side of town is good; two lanes in, two lanes out and it's quick. But this is dead; this end of town."

Mayor Eisaman, "I don't think they had the vision in the '50s when they built the two lanes from Main Street out to Route 30 to do that."

Mr. Scholze, "Well I'd love to see some action on that because I see a lot of expense and a lot of wasted gasoline and time by people. And they're even making shortcuts through private property to circumvent the traffic situation. Thank you for listening."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you, sir."

**\*\*\*APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S COUNCIL MINUTES\*\*\***Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the minutes of last month's Council meetings, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **Unanimously all voted in favor.**

**\*\*\*APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BILL LIST\*\*\***Councilman Finfrock **MOVED** to approve the monthly bill list and pay the bills as the money becomes available. Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No discussion. **Unanimously all voted in favor.**

**\*\*\*REPORTS OF COUNCIL\*\*\***

**Councilman DePasquale**, "The Recreation Department is offering a Winter Baseball Camp for ages 7-14. Our camp will focus on the fundamentals, developing skills and providing a basic understanding of the rules that govern the game. The program begins February 26, 2009 and ends March 19, 2009. There will be eight 2-hour sessions scheduled on Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and Sundays from 12:30-2:30 p.m. For more information please contact the Recreation Office at 724-834-4880. I see also that the Pirate Caravan is coming out this way next week, but I don't think that is related to this. At the Kirk S. Nevin Arena the fourth session of the ISI Tot Lessons will begin on January 22, 2009 and the fourth session of the Learn-to-Play Hockey Program will begin on January 17, 2009. There is still room for registration in both programs. And, the Recreation Office will start taking pavilion reservations on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 for the pavilions at Mt. Odin Park and Lynch Field. Please continue to check the Recreation Department's website at [www.city.greensburg.pa.us](http://www.city.greensburg.pa.us) for more detailed information about these and other upcoming programs and events. That's all I have, Mayor."

**Councilman Peterinelli**, "The Street Department continues to collect Christmas trees asking residents to place them curbside and they will pick them up. Also, to date, we have already placed orders for 850 tons of rock salt. This is the same as last year. And as the weather permits, they will patch potholes. That's it."

Mayor Eisaman, "Do the residents have to call the Street Department to have their Christmas tree picked up?"

Councilman Peterinelli, "If they want to they can, but the crews go around."

**Councilman Tridico**, "This week is the last steel delivery for the Seton Hill University construction project. On tonight's agenda there is a request for approval for two grant applications. One application is from the Community Foundation for cameras that would monitor the pedestrian tunnel project. This will allow all pedestrians to use the Train Station tunnel under the railroad lines. The other grant application is for the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for \$25,000 for a feasibility study for a downtown Greensburg hotel. This concludes my report."

Mayor Eisaman, "Those are both grants that are through the State of Pennsylvania?"

Ms. Ciampini, "No, one is the Community Foundation."

**Councilman Finfrock**, "At year-end our revenues came in at 104% of budget which is 4% higher than the revenues were December 2007 as compared to the budget. Expenses were at 97% of the budget. This is 1% lower than last year. Those are both very good numbers and we're pleased to recognize that. Going forward for this year we would like to see the expenses remain under budget, in fact, we fully expect them to stay under budget this year barring an act of God. That concludes my report, and we're looking forward to a good year this year."

**\*\*\*MAYOR'S REPORT\*\*\***

**Code, Fire and Police Reports.** Mayor Eisaman reviewed the Code, Fire and Police reports. Copies of these reports may be obtained at the respective offices or the City Administration Office.

**\*\*\*ENACTMENT OF RESOLUTIONS\*\*\***

**Resolution No. 1131** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG GRANTING AN INTER-MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER OF PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR LICENSE R-3557 FROM MONESSEN TO THE CITY OF GREENSBURG FOR USE AT PREMISES DESIGNATED AT GREENSBURG COMMERCE SHOPS, 985 TOWNE SQUARE DRIVE, SUITE 400, GREENSBURG, PA 15601. Ms. Trout, “In conjunction with an advertised public meeting which was held on January 6, 2009, the enactment of Resolution No. 1131 would grant an inter-municipal liquor license transfer to Greensburg Damon’s, LLC, a Pennsylvania Limited Liability Company.”

Mayor Eisaman, “As everyone recalls last week we had a public hearing on an inter-municipal liquor license transfer to gather information and have the public hearing as we’re required to do by law. If we so choose, at this time someone can move to enact Resolution No. 1131 which would accept the transfer of the liquor license into the City of Greensburg to the Damon’s restaurant located by Gander Mountain in the new complex they’re building.”

Councilman Finfrock **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1131, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **All voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1131.**

**Resolution No. 1132** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ON THE CITY’S BEHALF A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE GREENSBURG STREETSCAPE PHASE I PROJECT. Ms. Trout, “This is a Resolution that was brought to our attention by PennDOT in order to close out the Streetscape Phase I Project, the Hometown Streets Project that travels down Main Street. This is the final piece in order to process the later piece of business on the agenda in regards to the Supplemental Agreement.”

Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1132, and Councilman Finfrock **SECONDED**.

Mayor Eisaman, “I assume from your previous comments that there’s no cost to the City with regards to this; this is just an authorization form?”

Ms. Trout, “Yes, it was all in the form of grant monies once again.”

No further discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **All voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1132.**

**Resolution No. 1133-** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY MULTI-MUNICIPAL NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION. Ms. Trout, “Council approval authorizes the City to participate in the County’s application for funding authorized by the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development has allocated \$59,631,318 for Pennsylvania communities to address the problems of abandoned and foreclosed homes, while providing affordable rent and home ownership opportunities to lower income households. This Resolution, if enacted, would put us on that list to participate in that program should it become available.”

Mayor Eisaman, “My understanding is by being part of this program it will be part of our CDBG money we get through the County or not?”

Ms. Trout, “No.”

Ms. Ciampini, “It’s a separate pot of money.”

Mayor Eisaman, “There will be money outside of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia allocated to counties like Westmoreland?”

Ms. Trout, “We hope. We’re not sure.”

Councilman Finfrock, “Does this apply to residential property not commercial?”

Ms. Trout, “I thought it was just residential.”

Ms. Ciampini, “It applies to Census Tracts 8040 and 8041.”

Councilman Finfrock, “Well, that’s downtown, right?”

Ms. Ciampini, “Yes, and out towards the western end of town; some on the eastern end.” Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1133, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No further discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **All voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1133.**

**\*\*\*COUNCIL APPROVAL\*\*\***

- a. Maintenance Agreement between the City of Greensburg and Copier Corporation of America for the Toshiba E 28 Copier at the Kirk S. Nevin Arena.** Ms. Trout, “Council approval is for the period of January 29, 2009 through January 28, 2010 at .012 cents per copy; the same price as last year’s contract.” Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the maintenance agreement, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**
- b. Reappointments to the Historical and Architectural Review Board (HARB).** Ms. Trout, “Teri Lutz and Lee Calisti are recommended for reappointment to 3-year terms on the HARB until January 1, 2012.” Mayor Eisaman, “They are current Board members.” Councilman Finrock **MOVED** to approve the reappointments, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the reappointments.**
- c. Reappointments to the Zoning Hearing Board.** Ms. Trout, “Mary Clymer and Patsy Iapalucci are recommended for reappointment to 3-year terms on the Zoning Hearing Board until December 31, 2011.” Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the reappointments, and Councilman Finrock **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**
- d. Reimbursement Agreement for Grant Funding between the Greensburg Police Department and the North Central Highway Safety Network, Inc.** Ms. Trout, “Council approval accepts the terms and requirements set forth in grant funding reimbursement for the Police Department’s participation in the ‘Smooth Operator’ Aggressive Driving Project, and also designates Lieutenant Chad Zucco as the Project Director.” Councilman Finrock **MOVED** to approve the reimbursement agreement, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the reimbursement agreement.**
- e. Five-year Agreements between the City of Greensburg and Rampart Security Systems of Westmoreland County.** Ms. Trout, “Council approval accepts the terms of the agreements for security and/or fire alarm monitoring services for the following locations and annual rates: the Mt. Odin cart building @ \$240; the Mt. Odin maintenance building @ \$420; the pro shop @ \$420; the Robert A. Bell Parking Garage @ \$288; all six fire department companies @ \$288 each; the public works building at \$288; and City Hall @ \$288 for an annual total of \$4,380 payable one year in advance. Again, this is for security and fire alarm monitoring.” Councilman DePasquale, “Why are the amounts so different?” Ms. Trout, “It depends on the types of services that are being placed at each location.” Mayor Eisaman, “Some may have burglary and fire; others may just have fire.” Councilman DePasquale, “That I knew, but there’s more than two different rates. That’s what surprised me.” Ms. Perez, “There are locations at Recreation as well as up at Mt. Odin where they require a cellular backup which is an additional amount per month. This is required for some of the fire alarm systems.” Mayor Eisaman, “And the cellular backup is if somebody cuts a phone line?” Ms. Perez, “Correct.” Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to accept the agreements, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to accept the agreements.**

- f. **2009 Membership Roster for the Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval accepts the 2009 roster of active fire fighters, which totals 312 active members. We have them by name, department and address in my office."  
Councilman Finrock **MOVED** to accept the 2009 membership roster, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the membership roster.**
- g. **Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement between the Department of Transportation and the City of Greensburg for Phase I of the Greensburg Streetscape Project.** Ms. Trout, "In conjunction with Resolution No. 1132, which we discussed earlier, Council approval accepts Supplemental Agreement # M125420000B increasing the projected construction costs from \$569,250 that was approved in June 2007 to \$584,232.07, an increase of \$14,982.07 which was utilized for additional sidewalks."  
Councilman Peterinelli, "Do we have to pay any money in that?"  
Ms. Trout, "No, that's grant money."  
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the supplemental reimbursement agreement, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**
- h. **Purchase of Police Vehicles through the Central Westmoreland Council of Government (COG) Purchasing Program.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the purchase of two (2) 2009 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles from Day Ford Inc. for a total price of \$49,060. These are bid through the COG."  
Councilman Peterinelli, "Will they come the same color, Wally, or we will have to paint them?"  
Chief Lyons, "They'll come painted."  
Councilman Peterinelli, "All we have to do is put the radios in them."  
Mayor Eisaman, "Which are usually transferred from vehicle to vehicle."  
Ms. Perez, "And the decals."  
Councilman Finrock, "These come out of that Dedicated Fund, right?"  
Ms. Perez, "Yes."  
Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the purchase, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**
- i. **Grant Application for a Feasibility Study for a Downtown Hotel.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the Mayor to sign off on a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for \$25,000 to conduct a downtown hotel feasibility study."  
Mayor Eisaman, "Is this part of the Land Use Planning and Technical Assistance Program (LUPTAP)?"  
Ms. Trout, "Yes, LUPTAP monies. We're out there seeking every dollar we can."  
Councilman Peterinelli, "Is this down on College Avenue?"  
Ms. Trout, "It would be our hope."  
Mayor Eisaman, "Part of the study is they look at the whole area."  
Ms. Trout, "Then they tell us."  
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the grant application, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the grant application.**
- j. **Grant Application to the Community Foundation.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the Mayor to sign off on an application for grant funding from the Community Foundation for security cameras to be installed on the walkway at the Train Station in the approximate amount of \$8,000 as discussed earlier by Councilman Tridico. This would be in the hope that we would be able to open up that entrance off of Seton Hill Drive and have people utilize it and not walk across the tracks. They can safely traverse through the tunnel and exit on the side of the Train Station closest to the Red Star."  
Councilman Peterinelli, "Are we trying to get more cameras though?"  
Ms. Trout, "Its six cameras total."  
Mayor Eisaman, "It also would permit people after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends to utilize the parking lot in the rear off of Seton Hill Drive to come into downtown and go to the Palace Theatre, Red Star or the Seton Hill Performing Arts Center."

Councilman DePasquale, “Once these are installed what costs will be associated with maintenance?”

Ms. Trout, “We will definitely have an internet connection.”

Mayor Eisaman, “Hopefully with our new Comcast contract coming up in 2010, we are going to ask for free internet service to the City.”

Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the grant application, and Councilman Finrock **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the grant application.**

**\*\*\*ADJOURNMENT\*\*\***Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. **SECONDED:** Councilman Peterinelli. Unanimously all voted in favor to **adjourn**.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

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**Susan M. Trout, City Administrator**

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