

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, September 13, 2010
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: Councilwoman McCormick, Councilman Tridico, Councilman Peterinelli, Councilman DePasquale and Mayor Eisaman. City Solicitor, Timothy McCormick and City Treasurer/Fiscal Director, Mary Perez were also present.

*****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*****Councilwoman McCormick

*****PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS*****Mayor Eisaman read and presented proclamations to Glenn Thomas in honor of his service as a Greensburg Volunteer Fireman for 54 years and his new position as President of the Pennsylvania State Firemen's Association and to Councilman Tridico in honor of he and his wife, Anita, who will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on September 16, 2010.

*****COMMENTS/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR*****For the record, no one approached the podium to offer any comments/business from the floor.

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

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

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

Councilwoman McCormick, "The Kirk S. Nevin Arena is now open for the 2010-2011 Season. Our public sessions are offered Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to noon; Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 1:15-3:15 p.m.; Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:00-10:00 p.m.; and Sunday afternoons from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The prices are \$5 for adults; \$4 for youth; and \$2 for skate rental. The ISI Learn-to-Skate Program starts Thursday, September 16, 2010. The cost is \$7 per lesson and this is for ages 5 to adult. The beginner class is from 6:00-6:30 p.m.; the intermediate class is from 5:30-6:00 p.m. This is on a pay-as-you-go basis. We are taking registrations for the first session of the ISI Tot Program. This is for ages 3, 4, and 5 only. This is a five-week session held on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00 p.m. The first session begins October 7, 2010. We are also taking registrations for the Learn-to-Play Hockey Program. This is for ages 4-10 years old. The first session will start Saturday, October 2, 2010 and it runs from 6:45-7:45 p.m. I'd also like to announce that on September 20, 2010 the Recreation Board will hold its monthly meeting at Hose Company No. 3 at 6:00 p.m., and we invite the community to come and share their ideas concerning the playground on Spring Street and the other playgrounds in the City. Anyone who would like to volunteer or offer their ideas is welcome to come. Thank you."

Councilman Tridico, reported by Councilman Peterinelli, "All resurfacing projects that were scheduled this year have been completed. We used 1,428 tons of asphalt. Also, the crew has been working the past several weeks trimming right-of-ways including alleys that were overgrown and difficult to navigate. We're also conducting traffic line painting on the streets that were paved. In addition lines are being repainted on streets in several neighborhoods that have worn out. A crew has been sealing and abutting joints along the curbs on the newly paved streets with asphalt sealant. The City mechanics removed the leaf collector equipment from storage and will be servicing them on trailers so they can collect the leaves. I have a comment tonight. I think something has to be done with the people who dig our streets up. If you look at Pennsylvania Avenue; the Water Company especially. I understand they have waterline breaks and they can't help that, but when they're done they have to make sure the streets are looking better than they did before. They should pave curb-to-curb. Take a look at Second Street and Pennsylvania Avenue right in the center; it's terrible. On Otterman Street we did that whole project and the Gas Company dug it all up. I think somebody has to tell these people."

Mayor Eisaman, "First of all Otterman, Pittsburgh and Main are State roads, so we have to rely on Penn DOT to do that. I think we have to look at our Ordinance because our Ordinance says....."

Ms. Trout, "Curb-to-curb. We just have to be more forceful with them."

Mayor Eisaman, "The problem we have with the Water and Gas Companies, I understand, is they usually do a cold patch and then they wait until they get a certain number of jobs throughout their district and they bid it all out at one time; is that correct?"

Mr. Hoyle, "That's the story I heard."

Mayor Eisaman, "We can require that more often."

Councilman Peterinelli, "Well, I think we should."

Ms. Trout, "In the case on Pennsylvania Avenue where there was a waterline break, we just paved that last month. It's all dug up right where we paved. I understand there's a break they have to repair but I think the concern is putting it back in the condition which it was prior to the break."

Mayor Eisaman, "Right."

Councilman Peterinelli, "I know they can't do it well, but they need to do it better than what they're doing."

Ms. Trout, "I can pen them a letter if that's what you're asking."

Councilman Peterinelli, "I'm asking that."

Mayor Eisaman, "I think it would have to be to all the utilities; electric, gas, water and sewage."

Ms. Trout, "I'll take care of it."

Councilman Peterinelli, "Thanks, Sue and thank you, Mayor."

Councilman Peterinelli, "On tonight's agenda under Council Approval there are a number of projects the Historic and Architectural Review Board (HARB) has recommended for approval. If anybody travels on West Otterman Street, at 711 West Otterman is an old house up there, and BZ Construction is redoing it all over. The property on 813 Highland Avenue is the Laurel Ballet. The plan is for a proposed parking lot. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) still has to sign off on the project but the Planning Commission recommended its approval when the DEP approves it. The Electric Department has completed the painting of the lights and put new globes out. I think somewhere in the near future they're going to take a look at the traffic lights on East Pittsburgh Street because they're having a lot of problems."

Mayor Eisaman, "I think that's part of a Federal grant."

Ms. Trout, "Yes, up for your approval tonight as a resolution."

Councilman Peterinelli, "That's it, Mayor."

Councilman DePasquale, "I'm pleased to report that revenues at this point are at 70% of budget after adjusting for the temporary inter-fund transfer. This is 3% higher than revenues were in August 2009. Expenses are at 62% of budget after adjusting for the temporary inter-fund transfer. This is 1% lower than we were in August 2009. I'm also happy to report that the City received a clean audit report from the State for the Liquid Fuels Fund for the year ended December 31, 2008 and I congratulate Mary on that. That concludes my report."

Ms. Perez, "Thank you."

Councilman Peterinelli, "I'm glad the money is coming in and all the people out here are watching the spending; that's what we need."

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

- a. **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.
- b. **Halloween Festivities.** Mayor Eisaman, "For purposes of planning your Halloween activities, the Halloween Parade at Lynch Field will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 31, 2010 with 'Trick or Treat' in City neighborhoods to follow from 6:00-8:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call the Recreation Office at 724-834-4880."

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

Resolution No. 1152 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG GRANTING AN INTER-MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER OF PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR LICENSE R-771 FROM NORTH HUNTINGDON, PA TO THE CITY OF GREENSBURG FOR USE AT THE SHOP 'N SAVE ON PITTSBURGH STREET IN THE CITY OF GREENSBURG. Ms. Trout, "This item was approved by Council and enacted by Resolution No. 1146 at the July 12, 2010 Council meeting. Resolution No. 1152 rescinds that Resolution as enacted because the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board has requested an amended resolution including the proper name of the license holder which is 730 East Pittsburgh Street Food Associates LP. They simply submitted the application with the Limited Partnership name they had created since the hearing, so they're asking basically for a correction."

Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1152, and Councilwoman McCormick **SECONDED**. No discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1152.**

Resolution No. 1153 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY PLANNING DIRECTOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP) OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE 2010-2011 GROWING GREENER FLOOD PROTECTION GRANT PROGRAM. Ms. Trout, "Resolution No. 1153 authorizes submittal of an application by the Planning Director to DEP for grant funding to accommodate cement repairs to the Greater Greensburg Flood Protection Project between Laird Street and the drop inlet at the upstream beginning of the Jack's Run Flood Project. As the sponsoring municipality and grantee, the City would be eligible for reimbursement of up to 65% of the project improvement costs. The City's share would be the 35% match of the total project costs needed to complete the agreed upon scope of work. This is work that's been necessary that in the last two or three inspections we've been put on notice that we need to repair."

Mayor Eisaman, "And, if I recall correctly, in this year's budget we had budgeted 100% of this cost so it will only actually cost us 35% of the cost?"

Ms. Trout, "That would be correct if we get the grant."

Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1153, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **All voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1153.**

Resolution No. 1154 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY'S APPOINTED ENGINEERING CONSULTING FIRM, GIBSON-THOMAS ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC., TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500,000 THROUGH THE PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE (PCTI) PROGRAM OF THE 2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GREENSBURG TO ADVANCE SMART TRANSPORTATION PRINCIPLES IN THE CITY OF GREENSBURG FOR THE ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION PHASES INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION COSTS OF AN ELIGIBLE PCTI PROJECT UTILIZING 100% FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS MEETING APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL GUIDELINES, ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS. Ms. Trout, "Enactment of the Resolution by City Council authorizes the City Administrator and Gibson-Thomas on behalf of the City, to submit the PCTI application for Federal funding to be utilized for Traffic Signal Replacement; the project Emil alluded to earlier on East Pittsburgh Street from the City's eastern boundary to Arch Avenue. I think when we counted the number of lights we were at about 10. So we're hoping to go for the full \$1.5 million dollars and we're hoping to get approval if you pass this Resolution."

Mayor Eisaman, "So 10 lights are about \$150,000 each?"

Ms. Trout, "If they come in like we think they would. You have to remember it includes engineering, inspection, design; for a 100% grant."

Mayor Eisaman, "Good job. Once we get it; it will be a great job."

Councilman Tridico **MOVED** to enact Resolution No. 1154, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. Roll call vote was taken. **All voted unanimously to enact Resolution No. 1154.**

*****COUNCIL APPROVAL*****

- a. **Planning Commission Reappointment.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval reappoints Jeff Anzovino to a 4-year term on the Planning Commission until August 10, 2014." Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the reappointment, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the reappointment.**
- b. **Hiring of Seasonal Recreation Department Employees.** Ms. Trout, "Recommended by the Rink Manager, Council approval accepts the hiring of Audra Burkley, Greg Smith, Steven Solochier and Lukas Sundry for the 2010-2011 Ice Season at the Kirk S. Nevin Arena, all at the rate of \$7.25 per hour, and at Mt. Odin, Nick Colonna is recommended to be hired as Seasonal Maintenance at \$8 per hour just for the remainder of this season." Councilwoman McCormick **MOVED** to approve the hiring of the Seasonal Recreation Department employees, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the hiring of the Seasonal Recreation Department employees.**

- c. **2011 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Police Pension Plan.** Ms. Trout, "The MMO for 2011 is \$667,582.14. This is an increase of \$68,782.92 when compared to the 2010 MMO and by law, by Act 205, has to be approved at tonight's meeting so we are in conjunction with the law. This is for next year's budget."
Mayor Eisaman, "Correct, the 2011 budget."
Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the 2011 MMO for the Police Pension Plan, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the 2011 MMO for the Police Pension Plan.**
- d. **2011 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non-uniformed Pension Plan.** Ms. Trout, "The MMO for the non-uniformed plan for 2011 is \$115,993, an increase of \$86,963 more than the 2010 MMO. Same situation; planned for next year's budget in accordance with law."
Councilman Tridico **MOVED** to approve the 2011 MMO for the Non-uniformed Pension Plan, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the 2011 MMO for the Non-uniformed Pension Plan.**
- e. **Site Plan/Land Development for Laurel Ballet for Property Located at 813 Highland Avenue.** Ms. Trout, "The Planning Commission unanimously recommends Council approval of the site plan/land development contingent upon the City's written receipt of DEP approval."
Councilman Tridico, "Did we receive that approval?"
Ms. Ciampini, "We did not get their approval yet, so your motion should also include that."
Mayor Eisaman, "So if a motion is made it should include the contingency once the City receives written approval from the DEP, they can proceed."
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the site plan/land development with the contingency as presented by the Mayor, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the site plan/land development.**
- f. **Slate of Projects Recommended by the Historic and Architectural Review Board (HARB) for Issuance of Certificates of Appropriateness.** Ms. Trout, "Three projects in the Gateway District are recommended for Council approval including a complete renovation of an existing dwelling for *BZ Construction* at 711 West Otterman Street, another complete renovation of an existing structure from an office to a credit union is applied for by *Elliott Federal Credit Union* at property owned by the *Tribune-Review Real Estate Company* at 631 North Main Street, and a sign for the *Center for Rehab Services* located at 507 West Newton Street owned by Christopher Goldstrohm; and in the Historic and Downtown District, Pete Colosimo has applied for new signs for *The Side Bar* at 7 West Otterman Street owned by *The Westmoreland Trust*."
Councilman Peterinelli, "That Tribune-Review building for the Elliott Federal Credit Union, the State has to sign off on that too, right Barb?"
Ms. Ciampini, "Yes, they're not done yet. That's just for the structure."
Mayor Eisaman, "This does not include outside the structure."
Ms. Ciampini, "Correct."
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the issuance of the Certificates of Appropriateness, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to approve.**

- g. **Supplemental Engineering Agreement between the City of Greensburg and Gibson-Thomas Engineering Company, Inc. for the 5-Year NBIS Bridge Inspection and Inventory.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval accepts the supplemental agreement reflecting a 15% cost increase in the amount of \$6,135.31 from \$39,555.82 to \$45,691.13 to a 5-year agreement for bridge inspections initially approved by Council on December 10, 2007. The increase is due to Penn DOT mandates for more frequent reviews of the City's bridges. This is all about keeping your bridges something other than deficient." Councilman Tridico **MOVED** to approve the agreement, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**
- h. **Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Greensburg and the Department of Transportation for the Alley #1 Bridge Replacement Project.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the Mayor to initial and date a revision which was made to Exhibit A1 of the agreement that was incorrectly labeled. You've already approved this agreement twice. Penn DOT has sent it back twice because they have made errors, so here it is for the third and hopefully final time.. All they did was move numbers around on the exhibit schedule." Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the agreement, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**
- i. **One-year Renewal Option for the Janitorial Service Contract with 'Coverall'.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval accepts renewal of the contract with Majco Acquisition, LLC d/b/a Coverall of Pittsburgh for the period of one year effective October 1, 2010 in the amount of \$22,788, the same price as last year. This is a renewal option in our existing janitorial service contract for City Hall and the Police Department." Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the renewal option, and Councilwoman McCormick **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**
- j. **Lease Agreement between the City of Greensburg and the Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department Museum, Inc.** Ms. Trout, "Effective this date, Council approval is for a 5-year lease with a 5-year renewal option in the amount of \$1 per year for lease of the space the Museum occupies behind City Hall at 416 South Main Street in the rear." Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the lease agreement, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**
- k. **Agreement of Sale between the City of Greensburg and Alexander P. Casterwiler for the Purchase of Property at 311 Beaver Street (Tax Map #10-02-11-0-512).** Ms. Trout, "Council approval of the agreement purchases the property at the price of \$28,000 which shall be paid in full to Mr. Casterwiler on or before the settlement date of October 15, 2010. In addition, the City agrees to pay the 2010 real estate taxes due on the property. The structure on the property shall be slated for demolition and the property shall become part of the City's Northmont Flood Protection Project. This is one of the properties that's been slated as part of the Flood Protection Project so we can accomplish the project as the sponsor of the project." Mayor Eisaman, "The 2010 real estate taxes; we're talking about our own City tax and the School District, I assume, will apply and have the taxes exonerated and the same with the County?" Ms. Trout, "Yes."

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Councilman Peterinelli, "Amos Hutchinson would be turning over in his grave saying 'thank God', because he's the one that started that project over 20 some years ago."

Ms. Ciampini, "Longer than that; I think more like 35 years ago."

M. Trout, "I think the residents will do cartwheels."

Councilwoman McCormick, "I want to thank Sue for all her hard work on negotiating this also. I know she spent countless hours."

Ms. Trout, "Thanks."

Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the agreement of sale, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**

- 1. Agreement between the City of Greensburg and Kane Enterprises II, Inc. sometimes referred to as 'Greensburg Auto Spa'.** Ms. Trout, "The 1-year service agreement effective January 1, 2011 includes the unlimited washing of police cars at the cost of \$2,940 as well as the waxing and interior steam cleaning twice annually of the fleet of 14 vehicles at the cost of \$1,960 bringing the total price to \$4,900; the same price we paid last year for these same services."

Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the agreement, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:


Susan M. Trout, City Administrator

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