

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, August 9, 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*****Mayor Eisaman

*****2009 AUDIT REPORT***Betsy Krisher, Maher Duessel.** Ms. Krisher, “Just to let you know in the packet in front of you there’s a communication to those charged with governance letter that talks about how the audit was conducted and some key results about the audit process. There’s the single audit for the City of Greensburg for 12/31/09 which contains your financial statements, including that of your component unit, and the results of the audit of the Federal funds. There’s a schedule of expenditures of Federal awards and the results of that. There’s a data collection form that has to be filed with the single audit that’s filed electronically and then there’s a management letter of comments and recommendations. The key points I wanted to make quickly about the audit are this was conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the U.S. and Government Auditing Standards as required when you expend greater than \$500,000 in Federal financial assistance. There was a number of accounting standards that had to be adopted this year; some things that had to be restated from prior years and that’s all spelled out in the communication to those charged with governance letter. We’re confident that these statements are materially accurate and are in compliance with Government Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. In terms of the single audit, you expended a little over \$2 million in Federal money; the vast majority of which was the Hometown Streets Program of about \$1.7 million. There weren’t any compliance or internal control findings related to the expenditures of those Federal funds, so that’s a good thing. You got unqualified opinion on your financial statements, which as members of the governance of the City, is the type of audit opinion you would want the City to receive. There were comments and recommendations about how to change or improve processes. I think that’s common anytime you switch auditors; you get a fresh set of eyes. I know that Sue and Mary are going to be working to address those things to improve how certain procedures are done for the betterment of the City. That really brings me to the end of my presentation. I’d be happy to take any questions if there are any.”

Mayor Eisaman, “I know Sue, Mary, Rob and Emil sat with you and your associate earlier, so does anybody have any questions?”

Ms. Krisher, “Yes we did meet with the members of Council that kind of act as an audit committee and went over this in more detail than I did right now.”

Councilman DePasquale, “It’s always good to get this finished and as I said earlier we look for the words ‘present fairly’, which is the unqualified audit opinion, so we’re very happy about that. And we especially thank you for the comments in the management letter about some ways to strengthen our processes. It’s a continual process to improve things and as a college professor in accounting even though I’m not in governmental, we know the Accounting Standards Setting Board never rests. They’re constantly adopting new standards, new presentation formats, and staying on top of all that is tough, but we thank you for your help on that.”

Mayor Eisaman, “Thank you very much. We appreciate everything.”

Ms. Krisher, “It was a pleasure working with you. Thank you.”

Councilman DePasquale, "I think, Mayor, we also want to thank the staff for their excellent work in working with our auditors, and especially as anybody who has ever gone through an audit knows, it creates a tremendous amount of work for the Fiscal Department, and I think we owe a debt of gratitude to Mary Perez for everything she did to help move it along."

Mayor Eisaman, "Most definitely."

Ms. Perez, "Well, thank you."

Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the 2009 Audit Report as presented, and Councilman Peterinelli **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the 2009 Audit Report.**

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

James Timko, 40 Gaither Way, Greensburg, PA. Mr. Timko, "I have an ongoing problem there with the dumpster that belongs to 49 Division. Some of it has been corrected and some of it hasn't. Lately they've been throwing so much stuff at the dumpster rather than in it. The lids are broken off; they're never closed whenever they are on it. I have a picture for you to take a look at. We could not come out of our house this weekend because of the stench coming from this and the vermin; there are crows, birds, rats and the whole bit that's in there. I try to keep my place pristine-looking. My wife and I walk up and down that alley and pick stuff up and so do the people at the doctor's office at the end of the street trying to keep that place clean. People are going through throwing out bottles, yes, but they don't throw out Clorox bottles and baby diapers and cereal boxes; it's coming from that dumpster. There are 10 apartments in that building and that one dumpster. If you go up Gaither Way you'll see my place is always very, very neat and even the property that doesn't belong to me I cut all the way to the end of the street because it makes my place look nice. My wife has actually picked up stuff from that dumpster and threw it back in and the maintenance guy gave her hell for that and was going to call the police on her. She was only trying to make the place look better."

Ms. Trout, "This has been an ongoing problem. I know I've spoken with you a couple of times about it, Mr. Timko, and for a period of time was it resolved?"

Mr. Timko, "They moved the dumpster back so at least we could see around it. That was after I contacted you and on another matter there was a policeman there and he was in my driveway and couldn't see around the dumpster. After that, they moved it."

Ms. Trout, "So it was solved for a period of time but now it looks like it's worse than ever."

Mayor Eisaman, "And it's consistently overflowing?"

Mr. Timko, "Yes. It's been that way for a good while. They dumped it 1:00 this morning but the stuff that's lying around it is rolling down the street. On one other issue, is there any way the utility people could be accountable for tearing up our beautiful streets?"

Councilman DePasquale, "Good for you, Jim, we'll applaud you on that."

Mayor Eisaman, "We'll contact Waste Management and the property owner on that."

Unfortunately Pittsburgh, Otterman and Main Streets are State roads so we have to work with PennDOT to get the utilities to come in. We used to get to the point where we would send out a letter to the utilities asking them if they're going to tear up any roads; these are the roads the City is going to pave so could you do it before we pave? They'd say, 'no, we're not doing anything' and then a month after paving, they would be there."

Councilwoman McCormick, "Mr. Timko, when you called Waste Management, what did they say to you?"

Mr. Timko, "They won't talk to me because I don't own that property. They referred me to the property owner. I don't know who owns the property, because it changes hands like the wind changes direction."

Councilwoman McCormick, "So there's only one dumpster for the whole 49 Division?"

Mr. Timko, "For all 10 apartments."

Councilwoman McCormick, "So possibly having two dumpsters would alleviate the overflow."

Mayor Eisaman, "Probably the better idea would be one dumpster with more pickups per week so you're not blocking...."

Mr. Timko, "It used to be up on the flat and they don't want to back the trucks up there so they put it down on this slab. They solved that problem and every once in a while it drifts down but the driver is pretty good now; he manages to put it back up against a tree. But if they had two and put them where they belong, the people would still come out and throw it at the dumpster not in the dumpster...."

Mayor Eisaman, "It doesn't solve any of the problems."

Mr. Timko, "The other thing is I'm pretty sure there's a law about dumpsters being closed with lids on them."

Councilman Peterinelli, "I had the same complaint on Oakland Avenue about the dumpsters. Les went up and checked that out."

Mr. Timko, "Thank you very much for your time."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you, sir."

Bob Koveleskie, 50 McLaughlin Drive, Greensburg, PA. Mr. Koveleskie, "I'm President of Slow Down for Children and I'm here this evening with a concern about unsafe crosswalks in the City. There seems to be an increasing interest in it from the community. Just recently the Board of Trustees of the First United Methodist Church of Greensburg had contacted our organization and asked if we would meet with them to give them some advice on how to make their crosswalk safer down at Maple Avenue and East Second Street. I had written a letter to the Mayor; I don't think you got it. Did you get it in the mail yet?"

Mayor Eisaman, "Would this be the letter you just handed me right now? I didn't get it via mail; I got it right now."

Mr. Koveleskie, "Right. We met with the Board and promised we would come to the meeting and for some reason they didn't want to come to the meeting. The letter tells their thoughts on it and we would appreciate it if you would look into this."

Mayor Eisaman, "And you have a traffic study and everything other than you and Mrs. Koveleskie at 9:30 or 10:00 on three Sundays taking pictures?"

Mr. Koveleskie, "No we didn't do an official traffic study, but we did take some pictures. A big concern is we noticed that everyone that was crossing that street that we saw was elderly and several had canes, barely making it across the street. The letter spells it out and I won't take any more of your time, but I appreciate your interest in this."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you, Bob."

Councilwoman McCormick, "Mayor, for lines to be placed for a crosswalk, do you have to have a traffic study?"

Mayor Eisaman, "I haven't read the letter yet to figure out what is going on, but also I believe that is in the middle of a block so I was just asking if there was a traffic study conducted. That was just a question, Councilwoman; I didn't receive an advanced copy of the letter."

Donna Lohr, 555 Hemlock Drive, Greensburg, PA. Ms. Lohr, "I'm here with a concern about our cable television. I had called over and they said the contract is up for renewal at the end of this year."

Ms. Trout, "It was up at the end of last year and it's already been negotiated."

Ms. Lohr, "They told me it was the end of this year."

Ms. Trout, "No, we signed a new agreement with Comcast already."

Mayor Eisaman, "To be perfectly honest with you under Federal Law there is not much you can do. It is all controlled by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC)."

Ms. Lohr, "There's no way you can bring in any competition?"

Mayor Eisaman, "The unfortunate thing is we would love to bring in competition but for competition to come in they have to come in and string lines, and they're not going to put out the money to do that unless they have the number of people...."

Ms. Trout, "We wrote Verizon and asked if they would like to bid and they sent us a letter stating they had no interest at this time."

Ms. Lohr, "I know there are neighboring towns around that have so much cheaper cable and they're getting good cable. They took everything away and raised it and now they gave us those little boxes and I imagine they're going to start charging us for them real soon. I've had the repairman at my house three times already and I only had them a couple months. Right now I have a short in one that worries me about a fire. On the other television I've got a 'frying' sound. You turn the television on and all of sudden some of the stations don't have any sound to them."

Ms. Trout, "I have received calls on that issue with that set top box, that there are one or two stations they frequently utilize that aren't getting sound. When we brought that to their attention they said it's an issue they're correcting. It's a bandwidth issue that they're in the process of correcting."

Ms. Lohr, "When they came out to repair mine, they couldn't. They put two new boxes in and he told me they're having an awful lot of trouble with their boxes."

Mayor Eisaman, "My wife has a similar problem at nighttime with the Cooking channel and the sound."

Councilwoman McCormick, "You don't have to go with cable; you know that's an option. If they're not servicing you well, then you could go with the competition; satellite."

Ms. Lohr, "I've talked to a lot of the other ones and the cable seemed to be the best way. I know when the winter came they were all out trying to get the snow off."

Councilwoman McCormick, "We've had satellite since I moved here and I've had no problems with it. So I mean it is an alternative to look into if you're not happy with Comcast."

Ms. Lohr, "Is there anything you can do with Comcast to get them to give us better...."

Mayor Eisaman, "Contact your U.S. Senators and U.S. Representatives."

Ms. Lohr, "Okay, thank you."

Mayor Eisaman, "They're the ones that wrote the Law that controls the cable world."

Don Nelson, 11 Madison Avenue, Greensburg, PA. Mr. Nelson, "We're having a lot of trouble on Madison Avenue with cars going up the street in the wrong direction. We have had this problem for quite some time and now that Excelsior Health has closed off the alley between Washington and Madison and turned that into an exit for their parking lot, everybody comes down the alley and makes a right hand turn onto Madison to get to Pittsburgh Street. The other day my neighbor just happened to catch the vehicle that almost hit my wife's car. She's coming in; he's going out. The stop sign at the corner of Madison and that alley; nobody stops for that stop sign. We've been in touch with the Police Department on several occasions. The last occasion the dispatcher told my wife, 'I don't know what you want me to do; this isn't Pittsburgh'. I don't know what he meant by that but obviously he meant they weren't going to do anything."

Mayor Eisaman, "Well that's something I disagree with."

Mr. Nelson, "In that picture you can see the one hospital parking lot on Pittsburgh Street is above Madison Avenue. At 3:00 or whenever they let go all those cars or a good percentage of those cars come down Pittsburgh Street the wrong direction and turn onto Madison."

Mayor Eisaman, "Chief, you'll look into that?"

Mr. Nelson, "Somebody is going to get hurt or killed."

Mayor Eisaman, "Do we have any signage up there now?"

Mr. Nelson, "When they come down the alley there are two one-way signs. One's on the corner of my property on the stop sign and there's one on the opposite side of the street. On the two signs the hospital just put up it directs all the traffic left onto Madison. It doesn't do any good. They come down and turn right on Madison and go out to Pittsburgh. Apparently they don't want to drive the whole way around to go back to town. I think that's the issue. It's a long way; instead of going a quarter of a block on Madison they have to go two or three blocks out of the way to get back to Pittsburgh Street."

Councilman DePasquale, "Or they could continue down that alley to Hamilton."

Mr. Nelson, "Yes, they can come down to Hamilton but the hospital put up signs directing all the traffic down Madison."

Mayor Eisaman, "Can we check that out and also his concerns about people going the wrong way on Pittsburgh Street?"

Councilman Peterinelli, "Is that the only exit from that parking lot; you have to go down to Madison Avenue?"

Mr. Nelson, "Yes."

Councilman Peterinelli, "I thought you could turn on Finrock Way?"

Mr. Nelson, "No, they have a sign that says 'No Turns'. If you come out of that little parking lot between Washington and the alley that runs in between the two, they have a sign there that says 'No Turns'. You can't turn left or right. When they built the parking lot they left in the concrete retaining wall that has been there for 50 years, so you'd have one helluva time turning right without going onto the lower person's property to clear the turn. All the traffic comes down to Madison."

Mayor Eisaman, "The Chief will check it out. After the meeting would you please give the Chief your home telephone number?"

Mr. Nelson, "Sure."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you."

Patricia Pandolph, 408 West Third Street, Greensburg, PA. Ms. Pandolph, "My concern is they allow these burning pits. There have been nights that I woke up and thought my house was on fire. I have breathing problems and that really affects my breathing and I have heart problems, too. I've seen the neighbors already have the grass caught on fire. Is there some way they can stop them?"

Mayor Eisaman, "What are they exactly?"

Ms. Pandolph, "They're just little metal pans they burn...."

Mayor Eisaman, "Would that be an open fire?"

Mr. Harvey, "Not if it's enclosed with a screen top like you can purchase at Lowe's or one of those stores where the cover is on the top."

Ms. Pandolph, "But they're not putting the tops on them. They're just burning in them and throwing lighter fluid, kerosene or whatever on it."

Mr. Harvey, "If it's not in a contained unit and it's just an open log burning, that's open burning."

Ms. Pandolph, "The houses are so close together and there's so much shrubbery...."

Mr. Harvey, "Sometimes it's common sense."

Mayor Eisaman, "Let us check into that and see what we can do."

Councilwoman McCormick, "Is it more than one neighbor?"

Ms. Pandolph, "I think there are two. I'm not the only one in the neighborhood; they complain to me about it. They said they could smell it. They've gotten up and they thought their house was on fire. It could be 90° outside and they're sitting out there burning stuff."

Mayor Eisaman, "They're not grilling or anything?"

Ms. Pandolph, "No, the one kid caught the grass on fire. I thought he was going to catch the rest of the place on fire."

Chief Lyons, "About two weeks ago, Les Harvey and I drafted a policy for the police officers on how to respond to these types of calls. We just put out a directive in the Police Department on open burning and explaining exactly what is and what isn't against the Law and how it needs to be handled. I would think if you would call our Department in the future you would get a better response by the Police Department as to how they're going to handle a specific incident related to burning."

Ms. Pandolph, "The one time the guy was burning oil rags."

Chief Lyons, "Under the Ordinance, Mr. Harvey was explaining, it could be a legal container or it isn't. Also in the Ordinance it addresses weather conditions or if the smoke is creating breathing problems, low-hanging smoke, we can deal with that as well."

Ms. Pandolph, "I've even asked them to please move it down so it doesn't blow in my windows."

Chief Lyons, "If it's a problem again just call us and like I said we have put out a directive basically on how to respond and handle these kinds of calls in the future."

Ms. Pandolph, "Thank you."

Mayor Eisaman, "Thank you, ma'am."

*****APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S COUNCIL MINUTES*****Councilman Tridico **MOVED** to approve the minutes from last month's Council meeting, and Councilman Peterinelli **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 Recreation Department is still taking registrations for our Fall In-house Soccer and Soccer Tots programs. The In-house program is for ages 4-9 years old and it will start the week of August 23, 2010. The Soccer Tots program is for ages 2-4 years old and we offer a choice of signing up for either Thursday evenings from 6:00-6:45 or Saturday mornings from 10:00-10:45. We also welcome new volunteer coaches for each program. The Kirk S. Nevin Arena will be ready for the 2010-2011 Ice Season very soon. The majority of all the programs will start after Labor Day and this will be posted in the Tribune-Review on September 2, 2010. We are offering a Figure Skating Camp from August 16-20, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to noon and the fee is \$100. The last day of swimming for Veterans' Memorial Pool will be Sunday, August 29, 2010. We want to thank everyone who purchased season passes and those who came to visit our pool this summer. We hope to see you all again next year. It's been a hot one."

Councilman Tridico, reported by Councilman Peterinelli, “On Wednesday, July 28, 2010 the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) conducted a review of the Jack’s Run-Mt. Pleasant Street Flood Project. The report will be forthcoming. Also, on July 28th A. Folino Construction Company was in and milled the streets for repaving in the City. And, last Monday, the Street Department began paving these streets and tomorrow all the streets will be completed. I think our Street Department did a heck of a job. In addition to this they’re going to be resurfacing some of the intersections. That’s the end of that report.”

Councilman Peterinelli, “Tonight we’re going to approve a couple of businesses getting new signage. Under the Electrical Department, our people replaced overhead traffic lights on Pennsylvania Avenue and Second Street with LED signals and put up new weight limits on the bridge on Brewery Street, which is going down to 5 tons. They also installed new globes on the lights on Main Street. The Electrical Department was at St. Clair Park. There was a tree with branches coming down and they cut that down. And, we had some skateboarders ruin our railing, so they went over there on Monday and fixed it. No complaints with parking, everything’s going well, except us short people can’t reach to pay so they’re looking into a way to lower them somehow. That’s it.”

Ms. Trout, “They got the roof repaired at the amphitheater, too.”

Councilman Peterinelli, “Yes, they did. Thank you, Sue.”

Councilwoman McCormick, “Did they catch the skateboarders?”

Councilman Peterinelli, “No, they never do. They banged it up pretty good; they had to cut the one section off and put an end on it. And, by the way, St. Clair Park is getting a helluva lot of people down there.”

Mayor Eisaman, “Yes, they’re having quite a year.”

Councilman Peterinelli, “Very good year.”

Councilman DePasquale, “Revenues at this point are 66% of budget after adjusting for the inter-fund transfer. That’s 1% higher than revenues were at July 2009. Expenses are at 55% of budget after adjusting for the inter-fund transfer. And this is the same as last year. That concludes my report.”

Mayor Eisaman, “I would just like to thank you and the Finance Department for completing the 2009 audit in a timely fashion. It’s much appreciated.”

*****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. Anniversary Celebrations.** Mayor Eisaman, “Our little community to the east of us, Bovard, Pennsylvania, just celebrated their 100th anniversary, their centennial. They had big celebrations last week which is pretty nice for that little coal mining community, and Wally, thank you for that book. I appreciate that. And, also, I believe we have the Hilltop Club which is a local, social club in the Greensburg area celebrating their 75th anniversary.”

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

a. Grant Agreement between the City of Greensburg and the Robertshaw Charitable Foundation.

Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the Mayor to execute the grant agreement accepting the terms set forth for acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to be used toward SummerSounds performances. This series seems to be growing by leaps and bounds every year. I think they said there was an estimated 4,800 people there again on Friday night."

Mayor Eisaman, "I was at a function and got into town at 9:00 p.m. and I came up Laird Street and all the parking lots on that end of town were completely full. It's nice to see."

Ms. Perez, "The other amazing thing about that is despite the state of the economy we're in the cash donations to the concert series that are placed in the boxes at the concerts have been growing actually, except for the one week when it stormed and there was \$36.15. That's very much appreciated and it helps to keep that series going."

Councilwoman McCormick, "Emil, is it this week they're going to present a flag?"

Councilman Peterinelli, "Yes, I think at 6:30 p.m. plus some money."

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

b. Natural Gas Agreement between the City of Greensburg and the Hess Corporation for the Purchase of Natural Gas.

Ms. Trout, "Council approval of the 2-year agreement covers the period of September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2012 at the NYMEX Plus price of \$0.731 per decatherm. The City Administrator and Fiscal Director reserve the right to convert to a fixed commodity price if rates drop at any time during the life of the contract. Just so everyone is aware we accepted bids and received them from three purveyors. This was the lowest price for a 2-year price. It was actually less than anybody else's 1-year price."

Mayor Eisaman, "How does this compare to our expiring contract?"

Ms. Perez, "It is actually lower by \$0.194 per decatherm. For clarification, this is the transportation piece to get the gas to the Dominion City gate. What we pay for the actual gas usage is in addition to this; that's what the NYMEX piece refers to. These prices change many, many times over the course of a day, and the company we deal with keeps us apprised; I get e-mails daily on these prices so I can always see what it is doing. So at any point during the contract we see it dropping to what as we know is getting pretty low or if we see it start to creep up and we think we should lock it in for a certain period of time we can do so with one phone call."

Mayor Eisaman, "With the 2-year contract, obviously we have the right to fix the price if we so choose, is that a one-time deal or if we would lock in at \$0.70 and six months from now it goes to \$0.65, can we get out of the fixed and reapply?"

Ms. Perez, "No, I've tried that. I tried that at one point where we locked it in because there was no rhyme or reason to what the gas market was doing and it was expected to go higher and we locked it in and it actually went lower. I made the phone calls and tried and they said 'nice try, Mary, but that's not the way it works'. No, we can't, but we can lock it in for any period of time within that 2-year base contract. So if I want to lock it in for six months I can do that and when the six months is over it can either float again or we can lock it in again. So at any point up to that 2-year term we can lock it in for a fixed period."

Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the agreement, and Councilman Peterinelli

SECONDED. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the agreement.**

- c. **Slate of Projects Recommended for Approval of Issuance of Certificates of Appropriateness by the Historic and Architectural Review Board (HARB).** Ms. Trout, “The slate of approvals recommended by the HARB for Council approval from their meeting on July 20, 2010 include the following: in the Gateway District, Patrick Kelly requests façade improvements and signage for his property at 125 East Otterman Street and *Pennsylvania Combat Sports* at 114 East Otterman Street owned by Casey Leonard has also applied for façade improvements and signage; in the Gateway and Downtown Districts, a new sign for *J. Corks* at 25 East Pittsburgh Street owned by 25 East Pittsburgh Street Properties, LLC, is on the slate; and in the Historic, Gateway and Downtown Districts, an application for park improvements and a fencing plan for the *First Evangelical Lutheran Church* at 226 South Main Street is recommended for approval. For those of you who don’t know that First Evangelical Lutheran Church location is the location where the former portion of the Troutman’s Building was torn down. So they have a nice plan to beautify Main Street.”
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the issuance of the Certificates of Appropriateness, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to approve.**
- d. **Site Plan/Land Development for Seton Hill University for a Proposed Parking Lot on Campus.** Ms. Trout, “The Planning Commission unanimously recommended Council approve the site plan contingent upon Seton Hill University coordinating a campus-wide mobility plan within the next three (3) years. I think this current proposed parking lot is for 346 spaces.”
Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the site plan/land development, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve.**
- e. **Subdivision for the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Westmoreland for the Purpose of Subdividing the Stair Tower from the Original Main Street Annex Parcel in Order to Transfer it to the Troutman Building Associates.** Ms. Trout, “The Planning Commission unanimously recommended Council approve the subdivision of Lot 2 from Lot 1 as per the subdivision plan.”
Councilman Peterinelli, “Is that the space that’s right next to the end of the building?”
Ms. Ciampini, “Yes, it’s on the alley.”
Councilman DePasquale **MOVED** to approve the subdivision, and Councilman Tridico **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **Mayor Eisaman abstained, and all others voted unanimously to approve the subdivision.**
- f. **Hiring of Recreation Department Employees.** Ms. Trout, “Council approval accepts the hiring of the following employees for the Fall/Winter Recreation season at the Kirk S. Nevin Ice Arena: Christine Watson, Leah Fontana, Keli Pennesi, Zachary Kubas, Rege Garris, Trey Hahn and Zach Sheffler, all at the rate of \$7.25 per hour and Michele Cribbs at a rate of \$8.25 per hour. That’s your current slate and we anticipate maybe having one possibly two more after this, but that should be about it as long as everyone shows up as anticipated.”
Councilwoman McCormick **MOVED** to approve the hiring of the Recreation Department employees, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the hiring of the Recreation Department employees.**
- g. **Hiring of School Crossing Guard.** Ms. Trout, “Council approval is for the hiring of Heidi Sterf at the rate of \$8.30 per hour for the 2010-2011 school year. We had a vacancy. We had some employees move around so she is replacing a vacancy.”

Councilman Peterinelli, "Where will she be stationed at?"

Ms. Trout, "I believe at Nicely Elementary."

Councilman Tridico **MOVED** to approve the hiring, and Councilman DePasquale **SECONDED**. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the hiring.**

- h. Golf Pass Special.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval of the Golf Pass Special offers golfers the chance to purchase a new golf pass at this year's pass price beginning September 1, 2010 that is good through December 31, 2011. This was recommended by our Golf Professional who thought this may entice some new golfers. I should note that it was also brought up to the Recreation Advisory Board and met their approval."

Councilman Peterinelli **MOVED** to approve the special, and Councilwoman McCormick **SECONDED**. No discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the special.**

- i. Federal Communication Commission License (FCC) Agreement between the City of Greensburg and Staley Communications, Inc.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval authorizes the Mayor to enter into the agreement with Staley for the City's Police Department to utilize their radio frequency for the operation of a Motorola vehicle tracking system. Under the terms of the agreement, the City agrees to comply with all FCC rules and regulations for unlimited use of the licensed frequency as long as the City maintains its current communication equipment maintenance agreement with Staley in the amount of \$891.80 per month (or more). Should the City cancel or reduce the current contract by more than 50%, a monthly fee of \$175 for use of the frequency would apply. This is something that Wally has been working on with Staley in order to get our vehicle tracking system moving." Chief Lyons, "Should our maintenance fee drop less than that we can always reconsider whether we want to maintain the license or reduce the system. So \$175 is not a guaranteed cost."

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

- j. Mutual Aid Agreement between the Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Greensburg City Council.** Ms. Trout, "Council approval of the Mutual Aid Agreement authorizes the Fire Department to do emergency work as authorized by City Ordinance and stated in the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, allowing the City of Greensburg to file for disaster relief due to snowstorms or other Declared Emergencies on behalf of the Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department. Why this agreement is presented is because when we submitted our Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) paperwork for snowstorm possible reimbursement they requested we have this Mutual Aid Agreement signed so that if any reimbursement could occur within the Fire Department for Fire Department purposes, everybody would be in agreement of how it was paid. Mary has been talking with FEMA reps." Ms. Perez, "Anytime you're getting money from FEMA they dot every 'i' and cross every 't' and want every shred of paper you could possibly dream up. So this is just one more piece of documentation they have in their hands that allows them to reimburse us for certain costs." Councilman DePasquale, "I notice there's no timeframe, so we only have to do it once?" Mayor Eisaman, "Is it an ongoing agreement or does it have to be renewed annually?"

Ms. Perez, "It's an ongoing agreement. If we'd have another emergency five years from now, I imagine we could pull this out and use this same agreement for those purposes; there is no expiration."

Ms. Trout, "Quite frankly I think our ordinances and our current resolutions detail that we already comply with that Robert T. Stafford Disaster Act. I think that's enough but in this case they want to make sure again."

Ms. Perez, "I'm actually sending a copy of our Ordinance that details what the Fire Department is authorized to do along with this, and she said that would be perfect and suffice for their purposes."

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

Mayor Eisaman, "As a reminder to this, I hope in the next 60-90 days we would confirm some of our pricing and some of our contractors, just in case we have a problem this winter so we're up to date."

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

*****WELCOME BACK*****Councilman Peterinelli, "I'd like to welcome my friend Tom Tridico back. He's looking better and I'd like to thank his daughter for bringing him to the meeting. We'll pick him up whenever we have to."

Mayor Eisaman, "Very good Councilman. And thank you, Marta. It's good to see you back Tom."

*****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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