

**BOROUGH OF WHITEHALL**  
**Notice of Meeting**  
**November 18, 2015**

The Council of the Borough of Whitehall will meet Wednesday, November 18, 2015, at the Borough Building,  
 100 Borough Park Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for a regular meeting.

**AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING**  
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- I. Announcement - Residents to Sign In to Speak during Citizens' Requests; Speakers Allotted Three Minutes to Present their Initial Comments; All Meetings will be Recorded Auditorily and Visually.
- II. Call to Order
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Consideration of Bills and Payroll – DePuy
- VI. Consideration of the Minutes of November 4, 2015
- VII. Citizens' Requests
- VIII. Reports of the Following Officers:
  - A. Mayor - Nowalk
  - B. Solicitor - Firman
  - C. Engineer – Omer
  - D. Manager – Leventry
- IX. Reports of the Following Committees:
  - A. Library – Veith, Nagy, Book
  - B. Planning & Zoning – Nagy, Book
  - C. Public Works – Barton, DePuy, Lahr
  - D. Public Safety – Lahr, Barton, DePuy
  - E. Recreation – Book, Veith, Barton
  - F. Administrative Services – DePuy, Veith, Lahr
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjournment

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Regular Meeting November 18, 2015

The Council of the Borough of Whitehall met at the Borough Building, 100 Borough Park Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, November 18, 2015, at 8:00 PM, for a regular meeting. President McKown called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President McKown announced that all meetings will be recorded auditorily and visually.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Linda J. Book  
Kathleen N. DePuy  
Philip J. Lahr  
Robert J. McKown  
Glenn P. Nagy  
William J. Veith  
James F. Nowalk, Mayor  
Irving S. Firman, Solicitor  
Ruthann Omer, Engineer

Absent: Ryan Barton

STAFF: James E. Leventry, Manager  
Donald R. Dolfi, Chief of Police  
Courtney M. Wertz, Administrative Assistant

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS & PAYROLL

- M-1 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Ms. Book that the bills contained on the bill list presented to Council on November 18, 2015 for \$205,325.68 from the General Fund be approved. The motion carried unanimously.
- M-2 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Ms. Book that the bills contained on the bill list presented to Council on November 18, 2015 for \$4,286.48 from the Storm Sewer Fund and \$108,082.22 from the Sanitary Sewer be approved. The motion carried unanimously.
- M-3 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Ms. Book, that checks and transfers for \$6,254.57 from the General Fund and \$62,181.03 from the Payroll Fund be ratified. The motion carried unanimously.

- M-4 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr, that General Fund payroll for the period ending November 13, 2015 for \$201,222.31 as presented to Council on November 18, 2015, be ratified. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- M-5 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to approve the Minutes of the November 4, 2015 meeting with discussed corrections. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS:

None.

MAYOR:

Mayor Nowalk reported on the following items:

- The Borough reported 6.18 percent of the calls to animal control services in October.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that the Chief and Deputy Chief met with SHIM staff members on November 12<sup>th</sup> at their Prospect Park Family Center. The purpose of the visit was to tour and discuss safety and security issues at this facility.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that the police building maintenance projects are nearing completion. The garage door, man door and frame have been replaced and the exterior of the building has been painted. A few finishing details remain.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that he attended Brentwood's Centennial Celebration on November 6<sup>th</sup> with Mr. McKown and Mr. Nagy. It was a very nice affair.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that he attended Operation Reachout at the Greater Beneficial Union Building on November 7<sup>th</sup>. It is a project where care packages for soldiers overseas are assembled.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that he was master of ceremonies at the Veteran's Day Ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Mayor Nowalk stated that he is working with Mr. McKown on setting up interviews for the Whitehall Wildlife Committee.

SOLICITOR:

Mr. Firman introduced a resolution to enter into a consent order and agreement with the Allegheny County Health Department concerning alleged sanitary sewer overflows in the Borough of Whitehall's sanitary sewer system and to authorize the proper officers of the Borough to execute the consent order and agreement subject to certain conditions.

M-6 Mr. Nagy moved, seconded by Ms. Book to place the resolution on public display for two weeks. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Firman requested an executive session to discuss matters of potential litigation.

ENGINEER:

Ms. Omer reported on the following items; members of Council received written copies of the Engineer's report:

- Doverdell Drive Watershed Project – Individual meetings with residents have been completed. Gateway Engineers will be preparing a project status report and they are working with the Solicitor to secure easements for the project.
- 2015 Road Program – All work has been completed.

M-7 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to approve Payment Application No. 6 and Final in the amount of \$48,221.80 to Michael Facchiano Contracting Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

- Consent Order – A revised Consent Order has been received. Information about the order was handed out at the last meeting. Ms. Omer reviewed this information with Council.
- TMDL – The proposed TMDL Plan was advertised and copies were given to Council. Ms. Omer reviewed the plan and asked for consideration for adoption. .

M-8 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to approve the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Narrative and Strategy Nutrients and Sediment TMDL's Saw Mill Run Watershed Plan to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Resources. The motion carried unanimously.

- Saint Francis Development – Ms. Omer provided an update on the development of the Sisters of Saint France property.

MANAGER:

Mr. Leventry reported on the following items according to the written report given to Council:

- Resident Meeting – Mr. Leventry and Mr. King met with the resident on West Brightview on November 16<sup>th</sup>. An agreement was reached to have the Public Works crew remove the existing small shrubs and replace them with larger shrubs more to her liking. The work will be done next April.
- Board/Commission Appointments – Council received a list of board and commission terms expiring on December 31, 2015.

M-9 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mrs. DePuy to authorize Mr. Leventry to contact them about continuing their service. The motion carried unanimously.

- Provost Site – A developer has approached the Borough with interest in redeveloping the former school site on Provost Road. The individual is considering a 55+ apartment community similar to the one described in information given to Council. The existing site is zoned R-2, so Council would need to agree to consider a rezoning. Council indicated they would be willing to discuss the rezoning.

Mayor Nowalk thanked Mr. Leventry for his assistance resolving an issue on Bevan Road.

Mayor Nowalk asked Mr. Leventry to look into a pothole on East Lawnview Drive near the Stop Sign. Mr. Lahr also asked that Mr. Leventry look into potholes on Streets Run Road between the Eat-N-Park and Roberta and one at the intersection of Baptist and Brownsville.

LIBRARY:

Mr. Veith stated that there are two open positions on the Library Board.

M-10 Mr. Veith moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr to approve Mr. Harry Nieman and Mrs. Helen Dubina to begin their first term on the Library Board beginning January 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Veith introduced Christine Brady from the Library Board. Ms. Brady gave a report.

Mayor Nowalk stated that he is concerned that one group is monopolizing use of the kitchen cabinets in the Community Room. Mr. Veith will look into the matter to ensure the public property is equally divided among all groups using the Community Room.

PLANNING & ZONING:

The Planning Commission meeting for November was cancelled due to lack of new business items.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Leventry stated that the first load of salt was delivered.

Ms. Book stated that public works crews have removed the Whitehall Military Banners.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Mr. Lahr stated that Officer Charles Boehm has notified the Chief of his intent to retire in the first quarter of 2016.

M-11 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Nagy to authorize Mr. Leventry to request an eligibility list for patrol officer from the Civil Service Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

RECREATION:

Ms. Book stated that Operation Toy Drive will end November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Book stated that the Recreation Board is preparing for the Comedy Show on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Book stated that the next Senior Social will be sponsored by the Recreation Board.

Ms. Book stated that Community Day will be June 4, 2016. They are working on theme ideas.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

Mrs. DePuy stated that House Bill 1296 was expected to be voted on by the State Senate today. HB1296 will expand where municipalities can invest money. The bill already passed in the House of Representatives.

Mrs. DePuy also stated that she would like to nominate Mr. McKown and Mr. Lahr for the PSAB Thomas F. Chrostwaite Award for their 20 years of service. Mr. Leventry will handle the paperwork.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Book thanked Anne and Chuck Giovannitti for their help with the Annual Veteran's Day Ceremony. She also recognized Brandon Tapper from the Library. Ms. Book stated that Representative Bill Kortz was also in attendance.

ADJORNMENT:

The meeting recessed at 8:55 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 9:20 PM after an executive session.

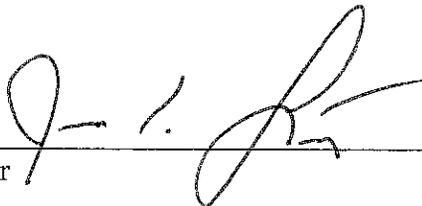
M-12 Mr. Veith moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr to approve a handicap parking space at 5332 Overlook Glen Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

M-13 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Ms. Book to authorize the Solicitor to review the Borough Parking Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

M-14 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Ms. Book to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

READ AND APPROVED THIS DAY OF DECEMBER 2, 2015:

  
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Manager

