BOROUGH OF WHITEHALL
Notice of Meeting
December 2, 2015

The Council of the Borough of Whitehall will meet Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at the Borough Building, 100 Borough Park Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for a regular meeting.

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 2015

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 18, 2015, Budget Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2015 and November 21, 2015

VII. Public Hearing – 2016 Budget

VIII. Citizens' Requests

IX. Reports of the Following Officers:

A. Mayor - Nowalk
B. Solicitor - Firman
C. Engineer – Omer
D. Manager – Leventry

X. Reports of the Following Committees:

A. Administrative Services – DePuy, Veith, Lahr
B. Library – Veith, Nagy, Book
C. Planning & Zoning – Nagy, Book
D. Public Works – Barton, DePuy, Lahr
E. Public Safety – Lahr, Barton, DePuy
F. Recreation – Book, Veith, Barton

XI. Delegate Reports:

A. Allegheny County Boroughs Association - Book
B. Chamber of Commerce - Veith
C. Economic Development South - Nagy
D. Medical Rescue Team South Authority – McKown, Lahr
E. South Hills Area Council of Governments - Veith
F. 3 Rivers Wet Weather – Book

XII. New Business

XIII. Adjournment

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BOROUGH OF WHITEHALL

Regular Meeting December 2, 2015

The Council of the Borough of Whitehall met at the Borough Building, 100 Borough Park Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, November 4, 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: Ryan Barton
Kathleen N. DePuy
Philip J. Lahr
Glenn P. Nagy (Arrived at 8:50 PM)
Robert J. McKown
William J. Veith
James F. Nowalk, Mayor
Irving S. Firman, Solicitor
Ruthann Omer, Engineer

Absent: Linda J. Book

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 Mr. Lahr that the bills contained on the bill list presented to Council on December 2, 2015 for $134,033.80 from the General Fund, $1,102.37 from the Storm Sewer Fund, $2,571.47 from the Sanitary Sewer Fund, $2,708.20 from the Grant Fund and $3,000.00 from the Capital Projects Fund be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

M-2 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr, that checks and transfers for $9,136.18 from the General Fund and $47,536.73 from the Payroll Fund be ratified. The motion carried unanimously.

M-3 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr, that General Fund payroll for the period ending November 27, 2015 for $141,031.54 as presented to Council on December 2, 2015, be ratified. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

M-4 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to approve the Minutes of the November 18, 2015 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

M-5 Mrs. DePuy moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr to approve the Minutes of the November 14, 2015 budget meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

M-6 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mrs. DePuy to approve the Minutes of the November 21, 2015 budget meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET

M-7 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to open the public hearing on the 2016 Proposed Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McKown provided a summary of the 2016 Proposed Budget.

Mr. Barton requested an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Mr. Leventry stated that any changes made in executive session would have to be final in order to place the proposed budget on display.

Mr. McKown requested an executive session to discuss legal matters.

M-8 Mr. Veith moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr to close the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS:

Regina Courson-Frankenfield, 112 Whitehill Circle, appeared before Council about an ongoing issue at her property possibly related to restoration after various sewer projects. Ms. Omer will look into the matter and contact the resident.

MAYOR:

Mayor Nowalk presented the Mayor's report for November 2015:

EMS Assists.....114
Court/Hearings/Pretrial.....93
Accidents.....20
Criminal Arrests (2 DUI).....21
Traffic Stops.....154
Traffic Details.....83

Written Traffic Citations. 54
Written Warnings Traffic Violations. 79

Total amount of money collected and turned over to the Borough during November 2015, amounted to $4,059.30; the breakdown is as follows:

MVC from District Magistrate	$1,390.57
Crimes Code and Code violations from District Magistrate	$1,621.50
Parking Fines	$550.00
Copies	$255.00
Fines from Clerk of Courts	$242.23

Mayor Nowalk also reported on the following items:

- Mayor Nowalk stated that Caste Village's Celebration of Lights was held on Saturday November 28th. Santa arrived; horse drawn sleighs were available along with carolers and dancing exhibitions. The night ended with a small fireworks program. Department officers were visibly present along with the Whitehall Fire Company and MRTSA.

- Mayor Nowalk provided an update on the Whitehall Wildlife Committee. Interviews will be scheduled shortly.

- Mayor Nowalk stated that he drafted a resolution in honor of Vickie Kilmer's retirement from the Whitehall Public Library.

M-9 Mr. Veith moved, seconded by Mr. Lahr to read the resolution. The motion carried unanimously.

M-10 After the reading of the resolution, Mr. Lahr moved for adoption. Mr. Veith seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, Mr. Barton, Mrs. DePuy, Mr. Lahr, Mr. McKown, and Mr. Veith voted yes. The motion carried unanimously. The Resolution No. is 917.

SOLICITOR:

Mr. Firman stated that the 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, has been on public display for two weeks.

M-11 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to read the resolution in summary form. The motion carried unanimously.

M-12 After the reading of the resolution, Mr. Lahr moved for adoption. Mr. Veith seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, Mr. Barton, Mrs. DePuy, Mr. Lahr, Mr. McKown, and Mr. Veith voted yes. The motion carried unanimously. The Resolution No. is 918.

ENGINEER:

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

- Doverdell Drive Watershed Project – Ms. Omer provided an update on the project. Individual meetings with residents are underway. Construction drawings and permit applications are being finalized.

- Operations & Maintenance Plan – The 2015 CCTV contract is underway. State Pipe Services is performing the work.

M-13 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mrs. DePuy to approve Payment Application No. 1 in the amount of $44,960.36 to State Pipe Services, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

- The 2015 Sanitary Sewer Lining Contract is underway. State Pipe Services, Inc. is completing the work.

M-14 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Barton to approve Payment Application No. 3 in the amount of $65,461.37 to State Pipe Services, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

- Echo Glen Watershed Study – The final options for detention on the golf course have been prepared and cost estimates provided to the Manager. A meeting with the Golf Course, Manager and Engineer will be set up to review the option and see how to proceed.

- Overlay District – The staff met and plan to have the final review with the Planning Commission on January 7, 2016. Although the Planning Commission has already sent an approval to Council, they are waiting to check on a few issues. The proposed ordinance should be before Council on January 20, 2016 with consideration for adoption at the March 16, 2016 Council meeting.

- TMDL Strategy Plan – The TMDL Strategy Plan was submitted to the State on time. The project is on track.

MANAGER:

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

- Sewer Rate Ordinance – Mr. Leventry presented an ordinance adjusting the Borough sanitary sewer rates downward by 22% (from 75% to 58% of the ALCOSAN rates) to compensate for the 11% increase by ALCOSAN.

M-15 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Veith to read the Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

M-16 After the reading of the Ordinance, Mr. Lahr moved for adoption. Mr. Barton seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, Mr. Barton, Mrs. DePuy, Mr. Lahr, Mr. McKown, and Mr. Veith voted yes. The motion carried unanimously. The Ordinance No. is 1079.

- Wage & Salary Ordinance – The 2016 Wage & Salary Ordinance will be placed on public display for the next two weeks. It will then we presented to Council in summary form for adoption during the December 16th meeting.

- Developer Meeting – A meeting was held on December 1st with the developer of the Saint Francis property to get an update on their plans.

- Health Insurance Rates – Health insurance rates have increased by one half of one percent for Public Works and Administrative staff.

Mrs. DePuy requested an estimate on the carpet replacement for the upstairs lobby. Mr. Leventry is working on getting one by January 2016.

Mr. Lahr requested an update on the pothole situation on Streets Run Road.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

Mrs. DePuy stated that the administrative services committee will have a plan for the lobby outside of the Community Room in January.

Mrs. DePuy stated that the 5 Year Parks Plan is ongoing.

LIBRARY:

Mr. Veith stated that the Whitehall Public Library was selected as a "One Book Every Young Child" host. They will host author and illustrator Will Hillenbrand on April 21st and he will read his book Kite Day.

PLANNING & ZONING:

Ms. Omer stated that the Planning Commission meeting is tomorrow night. The Overlay District Ordinance is on the agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Mr. Lahr stated that SHACOG's Purchasing Alliance bids for 2016 police vehicles have been compiled and distributed. The Chief is currently reviewing the bids in anticipation of ordering one new vehicle in 2016.

RECREATION:

Mr. Barton stated that Ms. Book is working with Senator Guy Reschenthaler to sponsor a Senior Social in December.

DELEGATE REPORTS

ACBA – Mrs. DePuy stated that the General Membership Meeting will be on December 10th.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Mr. Veith stated that the Christmas Luncheon is tomorrow at noon.

EDS – Ms. Omer stated that EDS presented their Annual Report. They are in sound financial standing. Municipalities are currently funding 12% of their operating costs.

MRTSA- No report.

SHACOG- Mr. Veith stated that Robinson Township is looking to become a member of SHACOG. Mr. Veith stated that there was a presentation on Air Quality in Allegheny County at the last meeting. He gave the information to Mr. Firman for review.

3RWW – Ms. Omer stated that they have reached out to communities regarding the Interim Consent Order and are offering assistance. There is a committee of engineers slated to begin work in 2016 on flow targets.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

RECESS:

The meeting recessed to executive session at 8:43 PM.

Mr. Nagy arrived at 8:50 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 9:43 PM.

M-17 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mr. Barton to place the 2016 Wage & Salary Ordinance on public display for 14 days. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJORNMENT:

M-18 Mr. Lahr moved, seconded by Mrs. DePuy to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

READ AND APPROVED THIS DAY OF DECEMBER 16, 2015:

Manager