

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentabsent
Ash K. Marwahpresent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Policepresent
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretarypresent
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendentpresent
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

PRESENTATIONS TO FORMER MAYOR G. REYNOLDS (RENNY) CLARK –

Mr. Brian Hollihan from State Senator Jane Clare Orié's office presented Renny Clark with a citation from the Senate of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Ralph LeDonne of State Representative Mike Turzai's office presented Renny Clark with a citation from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

Mr. Hrishenko thanked Renny Clark for his service to the borough and congratulated him on his new endeavors.

Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 958-2009 recognizing G. Reynolds Clark for his service as Mayor and Emergency Management Coordinator, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Creese read Resolution No. 958-2009 and presented it to Renny Clark. Mrs. Creese noted that Renny's leadership and commitment to excellence have made Franklin Park one of the finest communities in Western Pennsylvania. Mr. Clark thanked everyone and stated that it was an honor to serve the community.

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW MAYOR, WILLIAM H. KIPP – Mrs. Creese introduced the new Mayor, William H. Kipp. Mayor Kipp noted that he was honored that Borough Council appointed him to fill Renny Clark's unexpired term. Mayor Kipp noted that his job is to work for the citizens of Franklin Park, and he listed his goals for the year.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mr. Hartman moved the minutes of the December 17, 2008 pre/post meeting, the December 17, 2008 regular meeting, the corrected January 7, 2009 special meeting and the January 7, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the December 2008 Treasurer's Report. December 2008 receipts totaled \$243,210.71 and December 2008 expenditures totaled \$398,418.41. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$6,573,460.31 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$7,460,758.17. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of December 2008. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for December 2008. Mr. Phillips issued 8 permits and collected \$7,077.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$819,946.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that executive sessions were held on January 7, 2009 to hold an information and negotiation session related to the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement, and to discuss personnel matters and litigation regarding the Nicholson Woods Plan and an executive session was held this evening to discuss police contract negotiations.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Betty Gail Dietz, 2442 Rochester Road – Ms. Dietz read and discussed an email that was sent to the Borough Manager by a councilperson.

Mr. Thomas Mueller, 2391 Charles Wray Drive – Mr. Mueller thanked Renny Clark for his dedication and service to the community.

Ms. Tammy Whiteside, 2390 Charles Wray Drive – Ms. Whiteside commented on the email that was read by Ms. Dietz, and Ms. Whiteside asked for the councilperson's resignation.

Ms. Michele Chetoka, 1655 Norman Drive – Ms. Chetoka voiced her disagreement with a councilperson's recommendation at the last meeting to decrease the borough's millage rate. Ms. Chetoka also commented on the email read by Ms. Dietz.

Ms. Mary Ann Stearns, 2505 Matterhorn Drive – Ms. Stearns commented on the email that was read by Ms. Dietz and a telephone call she had received from this councilperson. Ms. Stearns commented that the councilperson should resign.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Sable moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT THOMAS M. STEIN AS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR – Mr. Marwah moved Thomas M. Stein be appointed as Emergency Management Coordinator effective immediately, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. Mrs. Creese introduced Dr. Stein, and he reviewed his background in emergency medicine.

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BRANDTVIEW PLACE LOT 200 REVISED – Mrs. Sable moved preliminary and final approval be granted for a subdivision application submitted by Maronda Homes Inc. for Brandtview Place Lot 200 Revised, a finalization of lot lines for Lot 200 in the Brandtview Place Plan of Lots in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated December 17, 2008, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated December 5, 2008 seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

BRIARWOOD ESTATES PLAN – Mr. Hrishenko moved preliminary & final approval be granted for a subdivision application submitted by the Meritage Group for the Briarwood Estates Plan for approval to construct a 44 lot residential subdivision on the west side of Reis Run Road. ¼ mile south of Arndt Road in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated January 2, 2009 and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated December 22, 2008, seconded by Mr. Hartman, and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 571-2009, DESIGNATING OHIO TOWNSHIP SANITARY SEWER AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SEWER SERVICE TO THE BRIARWOOD ESTATES PLAN – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 571-2009 authorizing the Ohio Township Sanitary Sewer Authority to service the Briarwood Estates Plan of Lots and designating the Ohio Township Sanitary Sewer Authority as the exclusive provider of sanitary sewer service for said area. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

NORTHLAND LIBRARY FIRST QUARTER PAYMENT – Mr. Hartman moved the Treasurer's office be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$66,071.75 payable to Northland Library for the first quarter payment of 2009, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

APPOINT BOROUGH STAFF POSITIONS – Mr. Marwah moved the following employees be appointed as set forth in the yearly Table of Organization at the salaries and bonds, if applicable, provided therein:

Ambrose Rocca, Borough Manager
Cathy L. Krummert, Borough Secretary
Ronald A. Merriman, Superintendent of Public Works/Fire Marshall
Brianna M. Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director
William C. Schweitzer, Superintendent/Manager of Clover Hill Golf Course
Timothy R. Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer
Karen E. Sproul and Carolyn A. Strunk, Co-Treasurers
Donna L. Roche, Earned Income Tax Collector
James J. Watenpool, Parks and Recreation Director,

seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE NORTH HILLS COG – Mrs. Sable moved Council appoint Ash Marwah as the Representative and Andrew Hrishenko as the Alternate for the North Hills Council of Governments for the year 2009, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

MOTION TO RETAIN IRA WEISS AS SOLICITOR – Mr. Hartman moved Council retain Ira Weiss as Borough Solicitor for the year 2009 at a retainer of \$6,000.00 per year, seconded by Mrs. Sable. Mr. Hrishenko commented on the cost of legal fees. Mr. Junker clarified the solicitor's retainer and invoicing process. There was also discussion regarding costs for professional services paid for updating the General Employees' Pension Plan, Zoning Hearing Board meetings and to implement the comprehensive plan update.

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Mrs. Creese then asked for a roll call vote:

Mrs. Creese – Yes
Mr. Hartman – Yes
Mrs. Hopey – Absent
Mr. Hrishenko – No
Mr. Marwah – No
Mrs. Sable – Yes

The motion carried.

APPOINT W.E.C. ENGINEERS, AS BOROUGH ENGINEER – Mr. Marwah moved W.E.C. Engineers, Inc. be appointed Borough Engineer for the year 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS – Mr. Hrishenko moved the Pittsburgh Post Gazette and the Tribune Review be designated as the official newspapers of the Borough, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE PROPER OFFICERS TO SIGN CHECKS – Mrs. Sable moved the President of Council be authorized to sign checks, and in his/her absence the Vice President of Council or Second Vice President of Council be authorized to sign checks, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

DESIGNATE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES – Mr. Marwah moved the official depositories for the Borough funds for the year 2009 be: First National Bank, First Commonwealth Bank, Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust, PNC Bank, West View Savings Bank, Charles Schwab Institutional and the Pennsylvania Treasurer's INVEST Program, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko. Mrs. Sable asked if the outstanding issue with West View Savings had been resolved. Mr. Rocca explained that West View Savings has asked if they can provide a collateral agreement for a limited number of months when the funds exceed the FDIC limit. The solicitor will be asked to provide an opinion on this matter for Council's consideration. Mr. Rocca also noted that the accounts have very limited funds at the beginning of the year, which are way under the FDIC limit. The motion was then voted upon and was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 955-2009 APPOINTING PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 955-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 955-2009 appointing Part-time Police Officers for the year 2009, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 956-2009 RECOGNIZING THE FRANKLIN PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. NO. 1 – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 956-2009. Mr. Hartman moved Resolution No. 956-2009 recognizing the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 as the fire company for the Borough of Franklin Park for the year 2009, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 957-2009 APPOINTING FIRE POLICE OFFICERS – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 957-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 957-2009 appointing Fire Police Officers for the year 2009, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT GERARD HORN TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION – Mr. Hrishenko moved Gerard Horn be reappointed to the Civil Service Commission for a four-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT ANGELA BAEHR TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL – Mrs. Sable moved Angela Baehr be reappointed to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2011, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

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REAPPOINT FRANKLIN LIBSON TO THE MCCANDLESS-FRANKLIN PARK AMBULANCE

AUTHORITY – Mr. Hartman moved Franklin Libson be reappointed to the McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority Board for a five-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2013, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT STEPHEN DONALDSON TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION – Mr. Marwah moved Stephen Donaldson be reappointed to the Planning Commission for a four-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2012, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT ROBERT SCHUPANSKY TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION – Mr. Hartman moved Robert Schupansky be reappointed to the Planning Commission for a four-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT BARBARA OWENS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE – Mrs. Sable moved Barbara Owens be reappointed to the Scholarship Selection Committee for a five-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2013 seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT CHARLES HAMILTON TO THE VACANCY BOARD – Mr. Hrishenko moved Charles P. Hamilton be reappointed to the Vacancy Board for a one-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT ROBERT W. JARVIS AS ASSISTANT FIRE OFFICIAL – Mr. Marwah moved Robert W. Jarvis be appointed as Assistant Fire Official effective immediately, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM H. KIPP FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL AND SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE – Mrs. Sable moved to accept the resignation of William H. Kipp from the Environmental Advisory Council and the Scholarship Selection Committee, effective January 12, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT PEGGY KIPP AS ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON – Mr. Hrishenko moved to appoint Peggy Kipp as the Environmental Advisory Council Chairperson, effective immediately, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 959-2009, HOHMAN PROPERTY, SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 959-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 959-2009 approving a sewage facilities planning module for a small flow treatment facility on the Robert and Lisa Hohman property located on Big Sewickley Creek Road, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 572-2009, SETTLERS WALK SUBDIVISION, STOP SIGNS – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 572-2009 providing for the placement of stop signs within the Settlers Walk Subdivision. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca thanked Mayor Clark for his service to the borough, thanked Mayor Kipp for his dedication and commitment to the borough and thanked Dr. Stein for his future service to the residents of Franklin Park. Mr. Rocca also thanked Council, on behalf of himself and the staff, for the reappointments.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker wished everyone a Happy New Year. He thanked Renny Clark for his service, welcomed Mayor Kipp, and thanked Council for the reappointment this evening.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp encouraged everyone to stay for cookies and coffee after the meeting to recognize Renny Clark and to chat with the new Mayor.

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MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko noted that it would be a pleasure to serve with Mayor Kipp as Council faces new challenges.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Creese noted that Mrs. Hopey could not attend the meeting this evening due to a business commitment. On Mrs. Hopey 's behalf, Mrs. Creese thanked Renny Clark for his public service and for being a role model. Mr. Rocca provided the Northland Library report on behalf of Mrs. Hopey. Mr. Rocca announced the new Northland Library board members, noted that Northland's tutor program continues to grow and announced a new Wii Fit program for girls ages 8-12, which will be held at the library.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable thanked Renny Clark for his many years of service to Franklin Park and for encouraging her to get involved.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah thanked Renny Clark for his years of service. Mr. Marwah also noted that the new garbage/recycling company, Fayette Waste, is doing a good job and there have been few complaints. Mr. Marwah also commented on the borough's intention to take over West Ingomar Road from Allegheny County.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman stated that he would miss Renny Clark.

BRYAN HOGG – Bryan is the tiger mascot for the North Allegheny Marching Band, and he commented on the band marching in the inaugural parade for President Obama. Bryan also thanked Renny Clark for his service and noted that he did a tremendous job for the borough.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese thanked Renny Clark and welcomed Mayor Kipp. Mrs. Creese also mentioned the residents who were appointed and reappointed this evening, noting that it is a great service to the borough that these residents volunteer their time.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman thanked Council for his reappointment, and he welcomed Mayor Kipp and Dr. Stein.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch wished everyone Happy New Year.
- He noted that it was a pleasure knowing and working with Renny Clark all these years, and he wished him well.
- He commented that Ray Beatty has served as a part-time patrolman since 1967, and he has served the borough well.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- Mr. Phillips thanked Council for his reappointment, and he wished Renny Clark good luck in the future.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris thanked Council for her reappointment, and she thanked Renny Clark for his years of service.
- She has been working on the newsletter, and she noted that they will have some new programs for each age group.
- The Winter Bonfire will be held Saturday, January 24th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Donations of non-perishable food items are requested, and all donations will be given to North Hills Community Outreach.

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PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool thanked Council for his reappointment.
- He thanked Renny Clark for his years of service in so many capacities, and he welcomed Mayor Kipp.
- The sled riding hill in Blueberry Hill Park has been getting a lot of use.
- They are keeping up with snow removal.
- The pavilion project is on hold for the time being, but they are working on putting together the picnic tables for the facility. The restroom doors for the facility will be delivered this week, and then they will be painted and installed so the restroom facilities can be installed.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer thanked Council for his reappointment.
- He noted that Renny Clark was a gentleman and a gracious man.
- This year is the 20th anniversary of the golf course, and he is getting ready for promotions.
Mr. Schweitzer also noted his appreciation for council's support.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present – 47

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
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The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahpresent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Worksabsent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorabsent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mr. Marwah moved the minutes of the January 21, 2009 pre/post meeting and the January 21, 2009 regular meeting, be approved, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Sable moved the minutes of the February 4, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman.

Mr. Marwah moved to table the February 4, 2009 minutes, seconded by Mrs. Sable. Mr. Marwah noted that the minutes are being tabled because the losses to the borough pension plans were not recorded in the minutes. Mr. Marwah then commented on the investments and losses for the borough pension plans. There was then discussion by council regarding the pre-meeting discussions and the suggestion by Mr. Marwah to amend the February 4, 2009 minutes. It was noted that until council can determine what actually occurred and what was said at that meeting, the minutes could not be revised and approved at this meeting. There was then discussion regarding the accuracy of Mr. Marwah's comments. Mr. Rocca commented and clarified the pension losses in comparison to the market, and he also clarified the employee contribution rates. He noted that the borough's pension plans lost approximately 27% in 2008, but the market as a whole lost approximately 35%. Mr. Rocca also noted that the last time he checked, both pension plans were funded at 100%, although it is possible that they could fall below 100% in the future because of market performance.

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The motion to table the February 4, 2009 minutes was then voted upon and carried. Mr. Hartman voted no. Mr. Hartman then commented on Mr. Marwah's previous recommendation for a tax decrease.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the January 2009 Treasurer's Report. January 2009 receipts totaled \$420,691.71 and January 2009 expenditures totaled \$514,225.46. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT - Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of January 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for January 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 7 permits and collected \$12,565.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$1,526,433.00.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Tammy Whiteside, 2390 Charles Wray Drive - Ms. Whiteside commented on recent articles in the newspaper regarding an email that was sent by Mr. Marwah, and the actions of some Council members. Mr. Marwah responded to Ms. Whiteside's comments. Mrs. Sable and Mrs. Creese then disputed some of the information that had been provided by Mr. Marwah in his response.

Mr. Dave Borelli, 1495 King Charles Drive - Mr. Borelli asked if Council has asked the pension advisor to invest all funds in treasury bonds. Mr. Hrishenko responded and discussed the pension plan losses.

Mr. John Ripper, 1547 Field Club Drive - Mr. Ripper commented that the borough should not invest in treasury bonds and discussed stock market investments. Mr. Ripper also commented regarding automated garbage collection.

Mr. Wayne Haas, 2568 Nicholson Road - Mr. Haas responded to Ms. Whiteside's comments and suggested that Council work together.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS - Mr. Marwah moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN RUN PLAN OF LOTS REVISED - Mrs. Hopey moved preliminary and final approval be granted for a subdivision application submitted by Jim West of Franklin Run LLC for the Franklin Run Plan of Lots Revised, for the addition and adjustment of easements in the Franklin Run Plan of Lots located on Reis Run Road in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated January 29, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated January 29, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 571-2009, BRIARWOOD ESTATES PLAN OF LOTS, SEWER SERVICE - Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 571-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Ordinance No. 571-2009 authorizing the Ohio Township Sanitary Sewer Authority to service the Briarwood Estates Plan of Lots and designating the Ohio Township Sanitary Sewer Authority as the exclusive provider of sanitary sewer service for said area, be enacted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 572-2009, SETTLERS WALK SUBDIVISION, STOP SIGNS - Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 572-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Ordinance No. 572-2009 providing for the placement of stop signs within the Settlers Walk Subdivision, be enacted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 960-2009, AMENDING & REVISING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES - Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 960-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 960-2009 amending and revising the schedule of fees per Borough ordinances, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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RESOLUTION NO. 961-2009, CENSURING COUNCILMAN ASHOK K. MARWAH FOR MISCONDUCT

Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 961-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Resolution 961-2009 censuring Councilman Ashok K. Marwah for misconduct, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Council extensively discussed and debated the proposed resolution.

Mrs. Sable moved to amend Resolution No. 961-2009 censuring Councilman Ashok K. Marwah for misconduct as follows: After the fifth Whereas clause, add an additional Whereas clause that says, "Whereas, at the February 4, 2009 Council work session, Mr. Marwah threatened that he would take action against any member of Council who took part in a resolution to censure him; and". At this point the resolution would continue on with the rest of the Whereas clauses. Additionally, Section 1 should be reinstated in its entirety as follows: "Councilman Marwah is hereby formally and publicly censured for his misconduct related to the December 6, 2008 email, and for his threats against members of Council taking part in a resolution to censure him". Mr. Hartman then seconded the motion.

Mrs. Sable restated her motion to amend Resolution No. 961-2009. Mrs. Creese then asked for a vote on the motion. After hearing opposition, Mrs. Creese asked for a roll call vote:

Mrs. Creese – Yes
Mr. Hartman – Yes
Mrs. Hopey – Yes
Mr. Hrishenko – No
Mr. Marwah – No
Mrs. Sable – Yes

The motion carried.

Mr. Marwah moved to offer an amendment to delete the previous amendment to Resolution No. 961-2009 to replace it with his words, "I have recourse". Mr. Junker clarified that Mr. Marwah's motion was to change the Whereas clause, that was previously amended, to state, "Whereas at the February 4, 2009 work session, Mr. Marwah stated I have recourse". Mr. Hrishenko then seconded the motion. Council discussed and debated Mr. Marwah's proposed amendment. Mrs. Creese called for a vote and the motion failed.

Mr. Junker noted that Council must vote on the originally amended Resolution No. 961-2009 that is on the table, and he then restated the motion: "Move Resolution No. 961-2009, as amended, censuring Councilman Ashok K. Marwah for misconduct, be adopted". Mrs. Creese then called for a vote. After hearing opposition, Mrs. Creese asked for a roll call vote:

Mrs. Creese – Yes
Mr. Hartman – Yes
Mrs. Hopey – Yes
Mr. Hrishenko – No
Mr. Marwah – No
Mrs. Sable – Yes

The motion carried.

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AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO MARGERY Q. GUST – Mr. Marwah moved to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,056.59 to Margery Q. Gust for expenses related to the Jenkinson Drive stormwater management facility and the Right-of-Way Agreement dated February 20, 2008, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko. Mrs. Creese then called for a vote. After hearing opposition, Mrs. Creese asked for a roll call vote:

Mrs. Creese – Yes
Mr. Hartman – Yes
Mrs. Hopey – No
Mr. Hrishenko – Yes
Mr. Marwah – Yes
Mrs. Sable – No

The motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF KAREN PHILLIPS FROM THE EAC – Mr. Hrishenko moved to accept the resignation of Karen Phillips from the Environmental Advisory Council effective February 10, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

GEOMECHANICS PROPOSAL FOR NORTHMONT FARMS DAM – Mr. Marwah moved to accept the proposal from GeoMechanics Inc., 600 Munir Drive, Elizabeth, PA 15037, dated January 21, 2009, to conduct a feasibility study to enhance the Northmont Farms Dam stability and to perform a breach analysis for the dam at a cost not to exceed \$12,500, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp thanked everyone for attending and providing comments this evening. Mayor Kipp noted that he had attended the Firemen's Ball, The Over The Blueberry Hill Gang Seniors' Program, and Ethics Training hosted by the borough. Mayor Kipp announced a public meeting to be held on March 11th at the fire hall to receive citizen input regarding increased standards for developing land in the borough. Mayor Kipp noted that the contact information for Council and the Mayor would be included in upcoming recreation newsletter.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko commented on the amount of time he puts into serving on Council in response to Ms. Whiteside's previous comments.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey asked Chief Dorsch to provide comparisons in the police report between 2008 and 2009, to see how things have changed with the economy. Mrs. Hopey announced that the Northland Library Foundation adopted the 2009-2015 strategic plan. She noted that the library offers many resources and programs, and she encouraged everyone to spread the word about the Northland Library Tutor.com program. Mrs. Hopey noted that her contact information is included in the upcoming recreation newsletter, and she encouraged residents to contact her. Mrs. Hopey commented regarding emails sent by council members.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable provided her email address and phone number for residents to contact her.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah discussed the GeoMechanics contract for the Northmont Farms Dam and noted that he is looking forward to the results of their work.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman noted that his telephone number is in the telephone book if residents need to contact him.

MR. HOGG – Mr. Hogg provided his email address for residents to contact him.

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MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese commented that she and all council members put in a lot of time to serve the public as council members. Mrs. Creese commented that she also attended several functions over the last month, noting that the State Ethics Commission training was well attended by council members, staff and officials from other municipalities. Mrs. Creese also provided her email address and noted that she welcomes telephone calls.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Rocca noted that Mr. Merriman was on vacation.
- Mr. Rocca reported that the public works employees are primarily performing snow removal, and they are also doing projects within the municipal building. The borough is trying to do projects that have low costs, but require significant labor.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- No report.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- No report.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris announced that the recreation newsletter would be mailed on Friday, and it is now available on the Borough Web Page.
- Upcoming programs include a Black History Month Celebration on Friday, February 20th and a Special Needs Program at Ross Township on Saturday, February 21st.
- Employees are working on putting up the railing around the two sides of the upper level of the new pavilion at Blueberry.
- Bleachers have been built and placed throughout the parks.
- Several trees came down in Linbrook Park during a recent windstorm.
- The borough will be receiving an Excellence in Programming Award at the Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society state conference for the Ultimate Sports Program.

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- Mr. Schweitzer noted that he has been reviewing new POS systems, and has found a new register-based touch screen POS system, which would be approximately \$800 under budget.
- Mr. Marwah thanked Mr. Schweitzer for agreeing to allow a student from another school area to visit the golf course and show him around. Unfortunately, the arrangements did not work out, but he is hoping it will be rescheduled for another day.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

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**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahabsent
(called in via speakerphone at 8:32 p.m., but did not participate)
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorabsent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Creese asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Mr. Hrishenko commented on the March 4, 2009 work session minutes. Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the February 18, 2009 pre/post meeting, the February 18, 2009 regular meeting and the March 4, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mr. Hrishenko voted no. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the February 2009 Treasurer's Report. February 2009 receipts totaled \$540,372.32 and year-to-date receipts totaled \$961,064.03. February 2009 expenditures totaled \$376,986.03 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$891,211.49. Mr. Rocca noted that we are keeping a close eye on the budget this year because of the economic situation the country is in. To date revenues are running 1% to 1.5% behind last year and expenditures are running 2% ahead of last year primarily due to an extra payroll in January. It is too early in the year to determine if the budget is on track, and he will provide monthly financial reports to Council. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

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POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of February 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for February 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 19 permits and collected \$34,662.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$4,685,190.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on March 4, 2009 to discuss the Franklin Park Self Storage application and the Franklin Nursery litigation.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4, 2009 WORK SESSION MEETING – Mrs. Sable moved to take from the table the February 4, 2009 work session minutes, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED FEBRUARY 4, 2009 WORK SESSION MINUTES - Mrs. Hopey moved the amended minutes of the February 4, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mr. Hrishenko voted no. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – MARLENE HILDERBRAND CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION – Mrs. Creese turned the meeting over to Mr. Junker to conduct the public hearing. A court reporter was present to take a verbatim transcript of the hearing. Mr. Junker noted that the Zoning Hearing Board had issued a decision dated March 13, 2009 granting a height variance with the condition that there be a 13 ft. variance to height only, exterior lighting to be limited to safety lighting above the doors. Mr. Phillips reviewed that this structure is required to go through the conditional use approval process because of the size. Any accessory structures on residential properties that are larger than 600 sq. ft. must go through this process. The Planning Commission reviewed the application last month and recommended approval. The proposed structure is an enclosure for a horse-riding rink. The applicant currently has horses and this structure will allow them to ride during evening hours and inclement weather. Mr. Scott Pilston of Pilston Surveying spoke on behalf of the applicant noting that he had prepared the plan. He explained that the applicant has a single-family residence located on McDevitt Road and they have had horses on the property for 40 years. No opposition to the application was heard. Mrs. Hopey moved approval be granted for the Conditional Use Application submitted by Marlene Hilderbrand for approval to allow the construction of a 10,800 sq. ft. accessory structure on the property located at 2314 McDevitt Road, in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated February 25, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN PARK SELF-STORAGE, NICHOLSON ROAD – Mr. Junker noted that counsel for both the property owner and a neighbor were present. A court reporter was present to take a verbatim transcript of the proceedings for the applicant. Council was previously provided with letters from Meyer, Unkovic & Scott dated November 13, 2008, and Goehring, Rutter & Boehm dated September 24, 2008, setting forth their positions. Attorney Kevin McKeegan was present on behalf of the applicant, Mr. John Pirain.

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Mr. McKeegan reviewed the proposed plans for a self-storage facility to be located on Nicholson Road between the Five Points intersection and Wharrey Drive. The property is an 8-acre parcel and they propose to develop the property in two phases. The first phase of the development will consist of six buildings proposed to contain 412 self-storage units. The second phase consists of one building containing 128 units. There would be extensive landscaping along Nicholson Road and also along the southerly boundary of the property adjoining the neighbor. As requested by the borough, the plan accommodates a sidewalk along Nicholson Road. There would also be extensive fencing around the perimeter of the property along with a decorative fence proposed for the front of the property. The application meets all parking requirements. The sides of the buildings that would be visible from Nicholson Road would be faced with brick and the roofs would be green metal. Mr. McKeegan indicated that the issue relates to language in the borough ordinance regarding the street on which this property fronts. Mr. McKeegan then provided the applicant's case that this use is permitted in this area. At this point in the meeting (8:32 p.m.), Mr. Marwah called in via speakerphone, but he did not participate in the meeting. Attorney Andrew Szefi was present on behalf of Mr. Gary Sippel who resides at 2399 Nicholson Road. Mr. Szefi provided Mr. Sippel's case that disputes that this is a permitted use in this area.

Mrs. Sable moved preliminary and final approval be granted for the land development application submitted by John Pirain to authorize a self storage warehouse facility to be constructed at 2404 Nicholson Road in the M-1 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated February 25, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated February 27, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman after debate and amendment. Council discussed the application.

Mrs. Creese then asked for a roll call vote:

Mrs. Creese – Yes
Mr. Hartman – No
Mrs. Hopey – Yes
Mr. Hrishenko – No
Mr. Marwah – Absent
Mrs. Sable – Yes

The motion carried.

BRETT MARS SUBDIVISION, ROCHESTER ROAD – Mrs. Sable moved preliminary and final approval be granted for the subdivision application submitted by Brett Mars to subdivide the property located at 2441 Rochester Road in the M-1 and R-1 zoning districts into 2 lots, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated March 12, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated February 20, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mr. Hrishenko noted that he would abstain from voting because his property abuts the subject property. Mr. Hrishenko provided a Memorandum to the Borough Secretary regarding his abstention. The motion was then voted on and carried.

REAPPOINT ROBERT PETERSON TO THE RECREATION BOARD – Mr. Hartman moved Robert Peterson be reappointed to the Recreation Board for a five-year term, which will expire December 31, 2013, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

APPOINT TAMMY WHITESIDE TO THE RECREATION BOARD – Mr. Hrishenko moved Tammy Whiteside be appointed to the Recreation Board to fill the unexpired term of Brian McLaughlin, which will expire December 31, 2010, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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APPOINT BRIAN S. MALKIN TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL – Mrs. Hopey moved Brian S. Malkin be appointed to the Environmental Advisory Council to fill the unexpired term of Sally Libson, which will expire December 31, 2010, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT RONALD H. RABOLD TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL – Mrs. Hopey moved Ronald H. Rabold be appointed to the Environmental Advisory Council to fill the unexpired term of Karen Phillips, which will expire December 31, 2010, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker thanked the audience, on behalf of the two attorneys present this evening, for their indulgence in listening to the two attorneys present their arguments in favor and in opposition of the Franklin Park Self-Storage application.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp thanked Council for the appointments to the Environmental Advisory Council this evening. Mayor Kipp also noted that he received a letter this month commending Donna Roche, Earned Income Tax Collector, for performing her job well and doing it nicely. Mayor Kipp also went with a volunteer from Meals on Wheels today to deliver meals to ten homes, four of which were in Franklin Park. Mayor Kipp met Mrs. Lutz who resides on Rochester Road, and he also met another resident on Rochester Road who rebuilds computers and donates them to poor children.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko read a statement commenting on the discussions at the March 4, 2009 work session regarding the quarterly review of the pension plans by Nancy Skeans of Schneider Downs, the \$1.6 million losses to the pension plans and Mr. Hrishenko's comments to Ms. Skeans at the February 4, 2009 work session. Mr. Hrishenko also commented on the performance of the pension plans under the previous manager, Muhlenkamp & Co, as compared to the performance of the plans under Schneider Downs. Mr. Rocca disputed Mr. Hrishenko's comments noting that in 2006 and 2007 Muhlenkamp under performed the market, and Schneider Downs has over performed the market since they began managing the pension funds in November 2007.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey announced that Northland Library would hold a Technology Playground on March 27th to show what new technology is out there and how to use it.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable noted that last week the Planning Commission held a public meeting to introduce and discuss some proposed ordinances. She thanked those who attended and encouraged everyone to stay involved and provide public input as we progress toward finalizing these ordinances.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese responded to Mr. Hrishenko's previous comments regarding the pension manager and pension funds. Mr. Hrishenko then responded to Mrs. Creese's comments by discussing the March 4, 2009 work session minutes and the performance of the pension funds. Mrs. Sable also responded to Mr. Hrishenko's comments regarding the pension manager and pension funds.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman reminded everyone that the spring brush chipping would begin Monday, April 6th.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- No report.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- Mr. Phillips informed the public that the draft ordinance that was introduced last week is available on the website along with some proposed maps. He noted that this is a work in progress, and comments are welcome.

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- Mr. Watenpool noted that the pavilion is moving along, and the public works department has started work on the sewer line. Since the weather has been good, the parks department has also started painting in the pavilion.
- They have been working to prepare the ball fields at Blueberry Hill Park.
- Program registrations are coming in, and some programs are already filled.
- The Lunch with Easter Bunny and the Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 11th.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- The golf course reopened about 2 ½ weeks ago, and they are already cutting grass.
- The Rally for the Cure will be held May 3rd.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present – 51

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
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The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was held for the three Pittsburgh Police Officers who had been killed in service on April 4th.

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahpresent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brienne Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorabsent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerabsent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the March 18, 2009 pre/post meeting, the March 18, 2009 regular meeting and the April 1, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the March 2009 Treasurer’s Report. March 2009 receipts totaled \$219,178.36 and March 2009 expenditures totaled \$326,412.76. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$1,180,242.39 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$1,217,624.25. Mr. Rocca announced that the borough received confirmation from Allegheny County that Franklin Park has the second lowest millage of the 130 municipalities in Allegheny County. Franklin Park has held this position for the past 5-6 years. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer’s Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of March 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

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BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the Building Inspection Report for March 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 17 permits and collected \$22,971.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$2,605,581.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on April 1, 2009 to discuss Franklin Nursery litigation.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Peggy Kipp, 1505 Brimfield Drive – Mrs. Kipp stated that Officer Kim Boucek conducted a self-defense course for the Bradford Woods Women's Club yesterday. Mrs. Kipp noted that it was a great course, and she encouraged all women to take it.

Rebecca Juneau, 1407 Scarlett Ridge Drive – Ms. Juneau urged Council members to do a better job. She discussed recent newspaper articles regarding Borough Council meetings, and she also discussed the adoption of the roads in the Scarlett Ridge Plan. Council members responded and discussed Ms. Juneau's concerns. Mr. Nedzesky noted that there are several major issues that are preventing the borough from accepting the public improvements and they include: drainage facilities that are not in the proper easements, a drainage issue near Morrow Lane and a drainage issue near Lot 42. Mr. Nedzesky noted that he was in contact with the developer last week and encouraged him to pursue completing these items as quickly as possible so we can resolve this matter. The developer promised to do that, and Mr. Nedzesky will have a report at the next meeting. Chief Dorsch noted that the police department could enforce the laws, although they cannot cite someone for speeding until the roads are accepted.

James W. Lawrence, 2604 Fountain Hills Drive – Mr. Lawrence asked Council to consider removing the stop signs that were recently installed on Brandt School Road at West Ingomar Road. Mr. Lawrence also commented on the actions of some Council members and encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

Michele Chetoka, 1655 Norman Drive – Mrs. Chetoka commented on the January minutes that mentioned ongoing police negotiations, and she stated that she hopes the issues will be resolved and the police get what they deserve. She noted that the police have always been there when she calls and they also assist with borough-sponsored events.

Mrs. Hopey read from the Questions & Answers section of the recent Pennsylvania Borough News Magazine. The question was regarding occasions when citizens make nasty comments to officials and employees at a public meeting and whether a borough could control that by implementing rules of decorum. The answer was that municipalities must be very cautious not to violate a citizen's Free Speech rights since The American Civil Liberties Union had threatened to sue one township after it implemented a policy that prohibited a citizen from making negative comments against officials or employees.

Dennis O'Keefe, 1511 Sandhurst Drive – Mr. O'Keefe asked Council to better represent the borough and work together.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

NORTHLAND LIBRARY QUARTERLY PAYMENT – Mrs. Hopey moved the Treasurer's office be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$66,071.75 payable to Northland Library for the second quarter payment of 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

APPOINT PETER M. VERCILLA TO THE MCCANDLESS-FRANKLIN PARK AMBULANCE AUTHORITY BOARD – Mrs. Hopey moved Peter M. Vercilla be appointed to the McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority Board to fill the unexpired term of G. Reynolds Clark, which expires December 31, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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RESOLUTION NO. 962-2009, OTSA EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS, BEAR RUN PROPERTY – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 962-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 962-2009 authorizing the Ohio Township Sanitary Authority to institute eminent domain proceedings for the property owned by Bear Run Associates, L.P., located within the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 963-2009, APPOINTING DEAN R. KRAKOWIAK AS A PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 963-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 963-2009 appointing Dean R. Krakowiak as a part-time police officer, to serve in such capacity starting on the date that the Chief of Police formally and satisfactorily establishes Mr. Krakowiak's eligibility for this position through the receipt of the necessary clearances, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

CLEANING CONTRACT EXTENSION – Mrs. Sable moved to extend the current Agreement between the Borough and Northern Home Service Company for cleaning services for the municipal building and the Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center for the one-year period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, at the rates specified in the Agreement, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE POLICE CAR PURCHASE – Mr. Hartman moved to authorize the purchase of one (1) 2009 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor from Woltz & Wind Ford, Inc. of Heidelberg, PA, at a cost of \$22,472.00, under the Joint Bid for Police Vehicles submitted to the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance for its bid opening on November 17, 2008, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS – Junior Councilperson, Bryan Hogg, announced the ten 2009 Community Scholarship recipients:

Laura S. Amster
Bryan M. Hogg
Zachary D. Hood
Jeffrey H. Lin
Patrick H. Morgan
Elaine C. Oestreich
Dinesh Palanisamy
Marina Seminatore
Ryan M. Troia, Mel Lubert Scholarship Recipient
Kerri E. Woodward

Mr. Rocca announced that the Annual Scholarship Golf Outing would be held on July 20, 2009 at the Shannopin Country Club.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker congratulated Bryan Hogg on receiving a scholarship.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp congratulated the scholarship winners, noting that he used to serve on the Scholarship Selection Committee before he became Mayor. He thanked the residents who spoke this evening for their comments. Mayor Kipp announced that the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary would hold a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, May 2nd. A Hazardous Household Waste Collection would also be held on Saturday, May 2nd at the North Park swimming pool parking lot. On Saturday, April 25th Council and Mayor will hold their annual road tour of the borough. Mayor Kipp attended the Lunch with the Easter Bunny and the Easter Egg Hunt, and he thanked the Recreation Board volunteers, the Boy Scouts, Mr. Watenpool and Miss Morris for their work organizing these events. Mayor Kipp commended the public works department employees for the excellent job they do.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko complimented Mr. Watenpool for a successful Seniors Program. Mr. Hrishenko also commented on discussions at the last meeting regarding the Pension Plan losses.

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MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey commented regarding the actions of some council members. Mrs. Hopey congratulated Bryan Hogg on receiving a scholarship. She thanked the audience for their comments this evening. Mrs. Hopey mentioned a discussion that had taken place during the pre-meeting regarding an email address used by Mr. Marwah. Mrs. Hopey announced that the Passavant Hospital Foundation would be holding Healthy Living seminars free of charge.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable thanked everyone for coming tonight and thanked those who spoke this evening. Mrs. Sable discussed that her children had found a crossbow bolt in the woods behind her home, which also abuts borough property. She thanked Mr. Rocca, Mr. Watenpool and Chief Dorsch for taking the following actions. The property was posted “No Hunting”, a letter was mailed to residents in the area, and the police spoke to one individual regarding the possibility that it was this person who was hunting. Mrs. Sable congratulated Bryan Hogg on his scholarship and Peter Vercilla for his appointment to the Ambulance Authority.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah discussed earned income tax revenues and the 2009 budget.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman congratulated Bryan Hogg on receiving a scholarship.

BRYAN HOGG – Bryan thanked everyone for the scholarship. Bryan noted that there are some Council members who are receptive to residents’ comments and they appreciate feedback. He noted that he is always willing to hear from residents.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese congratulated Bryan Hogg on his scholarship. Mrs. Creese attended the Lunch with the Easter Bunny and was very impressed with the program. She attended the Senior Luncheon and Dave Wessel from the Medicine Shoppe was the speaker. She attended Officer Boucek’s personal safety class, and encouraged all women to attend. She was invited to attend a tour of the Baiert Family YMCA last week, and she noted that in view of the economic climate any current member of the YMCA who loses his/her job would be given two months of membership at no charge. Mrs. Creese responded to the comments made by Mr. Hrishenko’s earlier in the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman informed Council that the supply of recycling bins is running very low. The current supply was ordered 15-20 years ago and the current price is \$8.00 for the bin and lid. Residents moving into a newly constructed home receive their first bin and lid at no charge. Mr. Merriman recently obtained a price of \$5,154.00 for 300 (24-gallon) blue recycling bins through the State COSTARS Program. The cost of the bin would be \$11.53 each and lids would be an additional \$4.65 each. There would also be a plate charge of \$300 to put Franklin Park Borough on the side of the recycling bin. The total cost for residents to purchase a bin with a lid would be approximately \$17.00. Council discussed and it was noted that \$1.00 per bin could be saved if we do not put Franklin Park Borough on the side of the bin. The only other option is to allow residents to purchase their own containers from local retailers. It was noted that if residents purchase the bins from the borough there would be a more uniform look and it is easier for the garbage/recycling company to determine the location of the recyclables. Mr. James Lawrence indicated from the audience that he is in the recycling business and he could also obtain a quote for Mr. Merriman. Once Mr. Merriman receives and compares the quote from Mr. Lawrence, he will move ahead with the purchase since our supplies are running low.

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CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch commented that the rape mentioned in the police report occurred at a social event where the parties knew each other. Although this does not in any way diminish the seriousness of the crime, Chief Dorsch wanted to explain that it was not a random act.
- Chief Dorsch informed everyone that there was a burglary on Sheffel Road (off Louise Road which is off Reis Run Road near the border with Ross Township) around 9:30 a.m. on Good Friday. The rear door was kicked in and they took jewelry and money. Chief Dorsch noted that there have been similar incidents in Ross Township. He cautioned everyone to be aware.
- Chief Dorsch thanked Mrs. Kipp and Mrs. Creese for the comments regarding Officer Boucek's self-defense course. He also noted that Officer Boucek would be conducting this course next month for female students at North Allegheny High School and also at LaRoche College.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool reported that the parks employees have been working on tree removal in Linbrook Park. This has been an ongoing problem in the park.
- The new pavilion in Blueberry Hill Park is moving along. The restrooms are almost complete and all picnic tables have been constructed and have been placed in the upper level.
- They are continuing with ball field preparation and mowing.
- The Square Dance will be held at 8 p.m. this Saturday at the Activity Center.
- The Wildflower Hike will be held at 9 a.m. on April 25th and a perennial exchange will be held at 11 a.m.
- Mr. Watenpool informed Council that the soccer and cricket associations would like to purchase bleachers for their fields. These associations would reimburse the borough for the full cost. Last year, the borough purchased bleachers and the IFPAA and Lacrosse Association paid for some of them. Council authorized Mr. Watenpool to order the bleachers.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer noted that the season is off to a good start and they had the best March in the 20-year history of the golf course.
- The new POS system is up and running and it is working well.
- The Rally for the Cure will be held May 3rd at the golf course. The event will benefit the Susan G. Koman Breast Cancer Fund. Mr. Schweitzer encouraged people to participate in this event or make a donation.
- The Junior Program is off to a good start.
- Mr. Schweitzer noted that Mr. Rocca puts a lot of time into organizing the scholarship golf outing to raise the money for the scholarships that are awarded each year.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that Mr. Marwah had asked for an executive session after the regular meeting regarding Franklin Nursery litigation. Mr. Hrishenko indicated that he would abstain from participating in the executive session.

SCHOLARSHIPS - Mr. Rocca noted that it takes a lot of work to evaluate the scholarship applications. The Scholarship Selection Committee evaluated approximately 27 applications this year. All of the seniors that applied for the scholarships have outstanding records and most of them are above a 3.8 up to a 4.3 QPA. Mr. Rocca also noted that Bryan Hogg had the highest score of all of the scholarship recipients.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 28

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 8:18 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahpresent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Policepresent
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretarypresent
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Donna Platt, Secretary/Receptionistpresent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendentpresent
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

ACKNOWLEDGE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2009 FRANKLIN PARK COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP –

Mr. Hogg announced the names of the scholarship recipients, and Mayor Kipp presented each scholarship winner in attendance with a payment voucher to be completed by the college or university of his/her choice:

1. **Laura S. Amster** - attending The University of Pittsburgh majoring in International Affairs
2. **Bryan M. Hogg** - attending Ohio State to study Political Science
3. **Zachary D. Hood** - attending Wake Forest University for Pre-Medical Studies
4. **Jeffrey H. Lin** - not present
5. **Patrick H. Morgan** - not present
6. **Elaine C. Oestreich** – attending the College of William & Mary to study English and the Classics and then attend Law School
7. **Dinesh Palanisamy** – attending Carnegie Mellon University to study Computation and Biology
8. **Marina Seminatore** – attending Villanova University for Pre-Medical and Engineering
9. **Ryan M. Troia** - Mel Lubert Memorial Scholarship recipient
attending IUP Academy of Culinary Arts
10. **Kerri E. Woodward** – attending Emery University to study Neuro-Science Pre-Medical

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Mayor Kipp congratulated the scholarship recipients and thanked the members of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the April 15, 2009 pre/post meeting, the April 15, 2009 regular meeting and the May 6, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the April 2009 Treasurer's Report. April 2009 receipts totaled \$703,449.31 and April 2009 expenditures totaled \$277,796.57. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$1,883,691.70 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$1,495,420.82. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of April 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for April 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 20 permits and collected \$9,879.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$1,354,376.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on May 6, 2009 to discuss police contract negotiations and an executive session was also held prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and the police union contract.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Rose Randolph, 3001 Shepard Lane - Ms. Randolph commented on actions that occurred at the election polls yesterday and noted that she had filed a police report. Chief Dorsch confirmed that the matter is under investigation by the police department and he could not comment.

Mr. Al Madison, 1706 Jasmine Court and Mr. Chuck Hogan, 1509 Abby Rose Court – Mr. Madison and Mr. Hogan were present to comment on a proposed detention pond fence in the Scarlett Ridge Plan. Mr. Madison and Mr. Hogan requested that the fence be repositioned closer to the pond since the present location would take away a big portion of their back yards. It was noted that Council had discussed this matter at the May work session. Council continued the discussion this evening including other possible options, safety issues and liability issues. Mr. Nedzesky was asked to evaluate the pond and make recommendations to Council. Mr. Junker was asked to look into liability issues. Mr. Madison submitted a petition to the Secretary, which had been signed by 22 residents in the Scarlett Ridge Plan, requesting a waiver of the proposed "drainage fence" position per ordinance.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mr. Marwah moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN RUN PLAN OF LOTS REVISED 2 – Mrs. Sable moved preliminary and final approval be granted for the Subdivision Application submitted by Franklin Run LLC for the Franklin Run Plan of Lots Revised 2, to reduce up to 50% of the front setback lines from 50 ft to 40 ft in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated April 30, 2009 and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated April 30, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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AWARD 2009 SHACOG SPRING COMMODITIES BIDS – Mrs. Sable moved Council award the following 2009 spring commodities bids as submitted to the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance for its bid opening on March 30, 2009:

- Liquid Asphalt**..... Russell Standard, Valencia, PA 16059
- Bituminous Surfacing Materials**..... Hanson Aggregates, Connellsville, PA 15143

seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

RATIFY PURCHASE OF RECYCLING BINS AND LIDS – Mr. Marwah moved to ratify the purchase of 300 recycling bins and lids from Busch Systems International Inc. of Ontario, Canada at a total cost of \$4,854.00 under the Pennsylvania Department of General Services COSTARS Contract #017-001, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

REAL ESTATE TAX EXONERATION – Mr. Hrishenko asked what properties were being exempted. It was clarified that these are borough facilities and the fire hall. Mr. Hrishenko moved the Real Estate Tax Collector be exonerated from collecting Borough real estate taxes in the amount of \$198.87 from the Borough of Franklin Park and \$279.18 from the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, and that the Borough and the Fire Company be exempted from paying these Borough real estate taxes, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

BRIARWOOD ESTATES PLAN REAPPROVAL – Mrs. Hopey moved reapproval be granted for the Subdivision Application submitted by the Meritage Group for the Briarwood Estates Plan, a 44 lot residential subdivision on the west side of Reis Run Rd., ¼ mile south of Arndt Road in the R-2 zoning district, with all of the conditions as set forth when the application was originally granted preliminary and final approval on January 21, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 964-2009, MTMSA EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS, STEPHEN A. CONNER PROPERTY – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 964-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 964-2009 authorizing the Marshall Township Municipal Sanitary Authority to institute eminent domain proceedings for the property owned by Stephen A. Conner, Block and Lot No. 1343-F-218, located within the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, seconded by Mrs. Hopey. Mrs. Sable asked if the borough attempted to contact Mr. Conner. Mr. Junker noted that Marshall Township indicated that they would continue to try to contact Mr. Conner. The motion was voted on and was carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICE UNION CONTRACT – Mr. Hartman moved to approve the Police Union Contract for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2011, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

AWARD BID FOR MILLING AND DISPOSAL OF BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT MATERIALS – Mrs. Hopey moved Donegal Construction of Greensburg, PA be awarded the bid for milling and disposal of bituminous pavement materials, at a cost of \$2.03 per sq. yd. and \$1,200 per mobilization, as submitted to the North Hills COG for its bid opening on May 14, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca provided further clarification of the motion regarding real estate taxes. Public properties are generally exempt from taxes; however, the amount of \$198.87 represents taxes due on a house that is a rental unit in Linbrook Park owned by the borough. In essence, the borough would be collecting the tax and paying the tax, so we exonerate ourselves from having to do that. Likewise, the fire hall is used to generate rental income and it is taxable.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker congratulated the scholarship winners.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp thanked Council for approving the police contract, and he congratulated the winners in yesterday's election. Borough Council: Mrs. Hopey, Mrs. Sable and Mr. David Quatchak; Mayor: Mr. Dennis O'Keefe.

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MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko congratulated those who won the election for borough offices, and thanked those who participated as opponents.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey commented regarding Ms. Randolph's public comments from earlier in the meeting.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable congratulated the scholarship winners. She noted that she attended the History in the Park event this past weekend at the Activity Center and it was a wonderful program. She also commended Debby Rabold for organizing the event.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah congratulated the scholarship winners. He noted that he also attended the History in the Park event and it was phenomenal. Mr. Marwah noted that PennDOT has delayed the work on Big Sewickley Creek Road and the road has not been closed.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman congratulated the scholarship winners and those who won the election yesterday.

BRYAN HOGG – Bryan thanked the scholarship committee for the scholarship, and he congratulated the winners of yesterday's election.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese congratulated the scholarship winners and the winners of yesterday's election. Mrs. Creese attended the History in the Park event and it was a very successful event with a large turnout.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN MEETING – A local emergency response plan meeting will be held in the municipal building tomorrow at 7 p.m. Dr. Stein, Emergency Management Coordinator, will make a presentation on what we should be doing to prepare for emergency response. All emergency responders have been invited and residents are also invited to attend.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- No report.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch thanked Council for approving the police contract.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- No report.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris reported that 87 seniors attended the Senior Luncheon last week.
- She has been very busy with preparations for the Festival in the Park on June 27th and will need Council members to staff the council table.
- She will begin working on the Festival mailer very soon.
- She is getting everything together for the Fall Newsletter.
- She reminded everyone of the Movies in the Park and Concerts in the Park during the summer months.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool reported that they have been working in parks, primarily concentrating on the new pavilion. Tomorrow they will hydroseed around the pavilion and the main walkway has been completed. They are also working on the walkway from the upper level to the lower level.

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GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer reported that the new POS system has been working well, but they did have a melt down this past weekend. The cause was a manufacturer defect on the battery backup. A new unit is in place and they are back online.
- He reported that the sale of gift cards and season passes through this system has been outstanding.
- The Junior Golf Program was started last year. This spring they are averaging 50 young people every Saturday. This summer he is up to 150 young people participating in the Juniors Program (ages 5-13). They will put out 30 foursomes every Saturday.
- Overall play at the golf course has been very good.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Marwah moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present – 62

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahabsent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Junior Councilperson Bryan Hoggpresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....absent
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Donna Platt, Secretary/Receptionist.....present
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the May 20, 2009 pre/post meeting, the May 20, 2009 regular meeting and the June 3, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the May 2009 Treasurer's Report. June 2009 receipts totaled \$832,923.79 and May 2009 expenditures totaled \$386,295.65. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$2,716,615.49 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$1,881,716.47. Mr. Rocca also noted that the borough is running 3% behind on revenue and expenditures and running approximately \$500,000 behind on cash reserve, which is on target with budget projections. There was some discussion on coming up with recommendations on what projects can be postponed in order to build up our cash reserve. In light of the economy additional measures will need to be taken to conserve resources and council will discuss that at the work session in July. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of May 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

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BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for May 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 34 permits and collected \$24,608.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$2,870,722.00.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no comments from the floor.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mrs. Sable noted that she would abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest with her receiving a \$6.00 EIT Refund and a payment being made to the Susan G. Koman Foundation. Mrs. Sable was on the Susan G. Koman board from 2005-2009. Mrs. Sable provided a Memorandum to the Secretary regarding her abstention. The motion was then voted on and passed with 1 abstention.

PUBLIC HEARING – CERRA CONDITIONAL USE GARAGE CU 09-05-03 – Mrs. Creese turned the meeting over to Mr. Junker to conduct the public hearing. A court reporter was present to take a verbatim transcript of the hearing.

Mr. Watenpool left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Mr. Robert Cerra explained that he is proposing a 24' x 32' detached garage for the storage of vehicles, lawn equipment, etc. The Planning Commission has recommended approval and the Zoning Hearing Board granted a variance for the encroachment into the required front and side yards.

Mrs. Sable moved to approve CU 09-05-03 – Cerra Conditional Use Garage application, submitted by Robert P. Cerra for approval of a 768 square foot detached garage to be constructed on the property located at 2372 Wharrey Drive in the R-1 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated May 27, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – SLADE CONDITIONAL USE GARAGE CU-09-05-04 – Mrs. Creese turned the meeting over to Mr. Junker to conduct the public hearing. A court reporter was present to take a verbatim transcript of the hearing.

Ms. Alicia Slade and Doug Sughrue were present. Ms. Slade explained that they are proposing a 36' x 38' garage on 10 acres for the storage of tractors, brush hog, finishing mower, camper and equipment to maintain 10 acres. The Planning Commission has recommended approval.

Mr. Hrishenko moved to approve CU 09-05-04 – Slade Conditional Use Garage application, submitted by Alicia Slade and Douglas Sughrue for approval of a 1,368 square foot detached garage to be constructed on the property located at 2167 Reis Run Road in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated May 27, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

SLADE SITE PLAN REVISED – Mrs. Hopey moved approval be granted for the Slade Site Plan Revised for revisions made by Barbara Slade for site improvements on the property located at 2315 Nicholson Road in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated May 28, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineers dated June 15, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 965-2009, AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 965-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Resolution No. 965-2009 amending and revising the schedule of fees per Borough ordinances, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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FIFTH AND FINAL PAYMENT TO JERRY HORN CONSTRUCTION FOR BLUEBERRY HILL PARK PAVILION – Mr. Hrishenko moved to authorize the 5th and Final Payment to Jerry Horn Construction in the amount of \$12,040.00 for the completion of all contract work for the lower level construction of the pavilion at Blueberry Hill Park, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

AWARD NORTH HILLS COG SALT BID – Mrs. Sable moved Morton Salt Company of Chicago, Illinois be awarded the bid for rock salt at a cost of \$58.73 per ton delivered, for the period September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010, as per the North Hills COG bid opened May 12, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER - No report

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker addressed the situation that occurred at the last meeting during public comments when a resident stated she had made a police report regarding an incident at the polls that involved Mr. Hartman. There was some discussion after the meeting and in the community as to why it was permitted to allow someone to make that type of accusation. Mr. Junker explained that the Sunshine Act allows for comments on matters of concern and official actions of deliberation, which are made before council prior to taking official action. This situation falls under the first part of the Act. Mr. Junker also stated that the follow up report found no crime had been committed and the matter was closed. He also commended Mr. Hartman for abiding by the advice and allowing the police to do their work.

MRS. HOPEY - Northland Public Library Foundation is going under a change and is looking for members as they are making changes to the bylaws. They are looking for a more active group of people and more activities. If you know of anyone who is interested in being a board member please forward their name to Mrs. Hopey.

MR. HARTMAN - Mr. Hartman thanked the audience, everyone who was there last month and the solicitor. He also stated that if anyone would like to talk about the situation previously discussed by Mr. Junker he would be glad to do so.

Mr. Merriman left the meeting at this time 8:35.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese brought up the issue of Mr. Marwah using an email address resembling the borough's official email address. At the April pre-meeting, Council discussed this matter, and Mr. Marwah gave his word that he would not use the email address again. However, it was brought to Council's attention that he is using the address again. Mrs. Creese noted that this issue needs to be resolved because it is misleading and confusing to residents who think this is an official site of Franklin Park Borough, and it is not. Mr. Marwah agreed that it was a mistake. It was suggested that a written directive be issued to Mr. Marwah not to use this email address. Mr. Junker was asked to discuss the actions Borough Council will be taking. Mr. Junker stated that he will draft something similar to a cease and desist letter addressing two issues: 1) the concerns of the borough with the appearance of potential for confusion; 2) explanation for such a letter is needed because the email address was not to be used anymore. The letter will be sent to Mr. Marwah from Mr. Junker's office. In addition a Resolution to Censure for conduct not becoming an officer of Franklin Park Borough will be drafted and provided to council for consideration.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – No report.

CHIEF OF POLICE – No report.

BUILDING INSPECOR/ZONING OFFICER – No report.

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ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Ms. Morris stated that the Pavilion work is moving along quickly.
- Four programs have started and it is the first week of the Ultimate Sports Camp.
- The Festival will be held next Saturday and council members are needed at their table. The Festival runs from 2:30 – 10:00. Fireworks start at 9:30.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR – No report.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer stated that Saturday they will be celebrating the golf course's 20th Anniversary with \$5 per round day, the cost of a round in 1990 when the golf course opened.
- The Jr. Program has 15 foursomes that play on a weekly basis on Saturday.
- They have gotten good feed back at the golf course and a lot of parents and children are playing on weekends and weekdays.
- The pump was installed but the manufacturer is having problems with their electronics and it was suggested that they bring in someone from the manufacturer.
- Gift cards going great and the POS system has been straightened out.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Platt
Acting Secretary

Audience Present - 27

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
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Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brienne Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerabsent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....absent
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR BRYAN HOGG, OUTGOING JUNIOR COUNCILPERSON – Mrs. Creese presented Bryan with a Certificate of Recognition in honor of his dedicated service to the community as the seventh Junior Councilperson of the Borough of Franklin Park. Mrs. Creese stated that Bryan was an outstanding asset to the community. Bryan thanked the residents who attend the meetings, Mayor Kipp, employees, Council members, Mr. Rocca, and Council President Martha Creese.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Sable moved the minutes of the June 17, 2009 pre/post meeting, the June 17, 2009 regular meeting and the July 1, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the June 2009 Treasurer's Report. June 2009 receipts totaled \$1,069,742.94 and June 2009 expenditures totaled \$401,058.05. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$3,786,238.43 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$2,428,282.61. Mrs. Sable moved the June Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, and the April and May Treasurer's Reports be approved as revised, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of June 2009. Mayor Kipp read a letter from Sam Bernardo of Bernardo Brothers Construction thanking the police officers and paramedics who responded to a recent medical emergency. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

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BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT – Mr. Phillips was on vacation, and Mr. Rocca read the Building Inspection Report for June 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 21 permits and collected \$28,098.14 in fees. Total value of construction was \$3,133,972.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on July 1, 2009 to discuss updates regarding T-Mobile litigation and Franklin Park Self-Storage litigation. Mr. Hrishenko questioned if the executive session had been announced. Council and the Solicitor confirmed that the executive session had been properly announced.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

James W. Lawrence, 2604 Fountain Hills Drive – Mr. Lawrence commented that Bryan Hogg is a fine young man and wished him well. Mr. Lawrence also expressed his concern for actions of some Council members, and he asked Mr. Junker why they cannot be removed from office and what else could be done. Mr. Junker responded that an elected official is entitled to keep office until they are convicted of a crime or they are voted out in an election.

Janet Harner, 1705 LaCosta Court – Ms. Harner was present on behalf of the Franklin Park Democratic Party to extend best wishes to Bryan Hogg and presented him with some gifts. Ms. Harner thanked Bryan for doing an outstanding job.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mr. Marwah moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

HOHMAN PLAN OF LOTS, BIG SEWICKLEY CREEK ROAD – Mr. Hrishenko moved preliminary and final approval be granted for Subdivision Application No. 09-07-05 submitted by Robert & Lisa Hohman for the Hohman Plan of Lots, located on the east side of Big Sewickley Creek Road in the vicinity of Linbrook Park, in the M-3 and R-1 zoning district, to subdivide 1 lot into 2 lots, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated July 8, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated July 13, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

SCARLETT RIDGE REVISION NO. 2 – Mrs. Hopey moved preliminary and final approval be granted for Subdivision Application No. 09-06-04 submitted by Bryan & Barbara Negrinti for the Scarlett Ridge Revision No. 2 Plan, in the R-2 zoning district, for a lot line revision between Lot 44 (1410 Scarlett Ridge Drive) & Lot 49 (Abby Rose Court), contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated May 27, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated June 25, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

NORTHLAND LIBRARY THIRD QUARTER PAYMENT – Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's office be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$66,071.75 payable to Northland Library for the third quarter payment of 2009, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

APPOINT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO PA ACT 32 OF 2008 ALLEGHENY COUNTY NORTHERN EARNED INCOME TAX REGION – Mr. Hartman moved to appoint Amy Sable as the delegate and William Kipp as the alternate to the PA Act 32 of 2008 Allegheny County Northern Earned Income Tax Region, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF TAMMY WHITESIDE FROM THE RECREATION BOARD – Mr. Marwah moved to accept the resignation of Tammy Whiteside from the Recreation Board effective July 6, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mr. Hrishenko asked Ms. Whiteside to reconsider her resignation and remain on the board. Ms. Whiteside responded that her time would be better spent volunteering for the community rather than sitting in on meetings. The motion was then voted on and was carried unanimously.

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INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 583-2009 PROVIDING ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS IN THE SPRING RIDGE AND SCARLETT RIDGE SUBDIVISIONS – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 573-2009 providing for additional stop signs within the Spring Ridge and Scarlett Ridge subdivisions. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 966-2009 CENSURING COUNCILMAN ASHOK K. MARWAH FOR MISCONDUCT
Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 966-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Resolution No. 966-2009 censuring Councilman Ashok K. Marwah for misconduct, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman.

Mrs. Hopey then moved to amend the seventh WHEREAS clause of Resolution No. 966-2009 to include the following: (attached hereto, made a part of hereof and labeled Exhibit "A" is a copy of the June 18, 2009 cease and desist letter), seconded by Mr. Hartman.

Mrs. Hopey then read the June 18, 2009 cease and desist letter. Mr. Junker noted that Mr. Marwah had contacted him the day after he received the cease and desist letter to inform him that he had taken the web page down, and they also discussed disabling the "gmail" account. Mr. Junker indicated that as far as he can tell, the cease and desist order has been complied with.

Mr. Marwah then read a statement.

Mrs. Hopey was then asked to restate her motion. Mrs. Hopey moved to amend the seventh WHEREAS clause of Resolution No. 966-2009 to include the following: (attached hereto, made a part of hereof and labeled Exhibit "A" is a copy of the June 18, 2009 cease and desist letter), seconded by Mr. Hartman.

Mrs. Creese asked for a roll call vote on the amendment to the motion.

- Mrs. Creese – Yes
- Mr. Hartman – Yes
- Mrs. Hopey – Yes
- Mr. Hrishenko – No
- Mr. Marwah – No
- Mrs. Sable – Abstain

Mr. Junker noted that with a six member Council and one abstention, the members present and voting drops to five, therefore a three to two vote carries the motion and the resolution was amended.

Mr. Marwah then continued his statement regarding the proposed Resolution. Mr. Hrishenko read a statement in support of Mr. Marwah. Mrs. Creese explained the reasons other Council members felt this resolution was necessary. There was then discussion and debate regarding the main motion, as amended.

Mrs. Hopey moved to end the debate, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Creese then asked for a roll call vote on the main motion, as amended.

Mrs. Creese then asked for a roll call vote:

- Mrs. Creese – Yes
- Mr. Hartman – Yes
- Mrs. Hopey – Yes
- Mr. Hrishenko – No
- Mr. Marwah – No
- Mrs. Sable – Abstain

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Mrs. Sable explained the reason for her abstention noting that she was not required to file an abstention memo with the Borough Secretary because there was no conflict of interest under the Pennsylvania Ethics Act.

Mr. Junker noted that the motion carried.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca announced that the Scholarship Golf Outing would be held on Monday, and he invited all golfers to attend. We have raised approximately \$12,000 each year for the last two years during good economic times. This year the economy is not so good, and we need all the help we can get. Times are hard and the profits from the Golf Outing are expected to be down significantly.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker thanked Bryan Hogg. He also thanked Bryan's parents and grandparents for producing a fine young man.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp thanked Brianne Morris, Jim Watenpool and the Recreation Board for a wonderful Festival in the Park. Mayor Kipp announced that he would officiate at a wedding in the borough next month. Mayor Kipp announced that Big Sewickley Creek Road has been closed until late August for bridge replacement. Mayor Kipp stated it was his pleasure sitting next to Bryan and he hopes what he learned here will serve him well in his academic career.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko attended the recent Ross Township Bicentennial Celebration, noting that it was very impressive. Mr. Hrishenko also attended the Festival in the Park, and he thanked Brianne Morris, Jim Watenpool, the Recreation Board and staff for their hard work to make the event a success. Mr. Hrishenko congratulated Bryan for serving and volunteering his time, and he wished him success.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey thanked Bryan noting that it was nice having a Junior Councilperson who was truly interested in the workings of the borough.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable thanked Bryan for serving as Junior Councilperson this year, and she wished him great success and happiness.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah commented on the Zoning Ordinance draft that is posted on the web site, and noted that it is still being worked on. Mr. Marwah noted that he had spoken to a couple judges last year regarding a court case in the borough, and he commented that the case is moving in the right direction. Mr. Marwah discussed an article in the Post Gazette last week that indicated that the borough may have already realized a savings of \$150,000 for the Northmont Farms Dam. He noted that this savings has not been realized yet, and the borough is continuing to work on this matter.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman congratulated Bryan.

BRYAN HOGG – Bryan has learned a lot from this experience and don't be surprised if he attends some meetings on his college breaks.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese commented that it was a privilege to work with Bryan. Mrs. Creese also noted that there was an article in Money Magazine regarding six-figure towns, and Franklin Park is listed as #13. Mrs. Creese attended the Festival in the Park and she thanked Jim Watenpool, Brianne Morris, the Recreation Board and staff. It was a very successful, family oriented event.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman reported that public works is moving along with paving. Richard, Cole, Valley Brooke and Huntington Court North and South have been paved. They are now backfilling the curbs.
- The Big Sewickley Creek road closure will not be good for the paving program. The asphalt trucks will now have to follow the detour route.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch congratulated Bryan.
- Chief Dorsch announced that there had been recent car break-ins in Settlers Walk and on Reis Run Road. He noted that other communities are having the same problem. He strongly encouraged everyone to spread the word and lock all doors. He also encouraged everyone to call the 9-1-1 if they hear or see something strange or out of place. Chief Dorsch noted items of concern are posted on the web site. Encouraged everyone to spread the word and keep cars locked.
- Chief Dorsch noted that the posted detour for the Big Sewickley Creek Road closure is not Gamelands Road. However, they know that this road will be used as a shortcut, and he announced that the police would be enforcing the 25 mph speed limit on Gamelands Road.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- Mr. Phillips was on vacation.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool thanked Council, staff and the Recreation Board for a coordinated effort to make the Festival in the Park a successful event. He also thanked Bryan for wearing the McGruff costume.
- The parks department is devoting a lot of time to maintenance and repairs in the parks. A major fast pitch softball tournament was held this past weekend with 31 teams playing 95 games.
- Mr. Watenpool received a telephone call from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Forestry Division, informing him that we do have the Emerald Ash Borer in Blueberry Hill Park. We will now need to make some decisions on a course of action to preserve the trees in the park.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris thanked Council, staff and the Recreation Board for their help with the Festival in the Park. It is a joint effort and it all comes together the day of the Festival. She noted that it was one of the more successful Festivals.
- Miss Morris thanked Bryan for wearing the McGruff costume and for providing input at meetings.
- This week is the second of three weeks of Ultimate Sports Camp this summer, and they have the highest attendance ever with 183 kids.
- Mrs. Hopey noted that the volunteer firemen should be recognized for all of their help at the Festival.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer was on vacation.

Mrs. Creese announced that a brief reception would be held after the meeting in honor of Bryan Hogg.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mrs. Hopey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 34

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at 8:18 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, Presidentpresent
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice Presidentpresent
Jane A. Hopey, Vice Presidentpresent
Ash K. Marwahpresent
Andrew Hrishenkopresent
Amy E. Sablepresent
Mayor William H. Kipppresent

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineerspresent

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weisspresent

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police.....present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary.....present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Workspresent
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Directorpresent
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officerpresent
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Managerpresent
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent.....present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Directorpresent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the July 15, 2009 pre/post meeting, the July 15, 2009 regular meeting and the August 5, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the July 2009 Treasurer's Report. July 2009 receipts totaled \$628,900.58 and July 2009 expenditures totaled \$767,499.47. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$4,415,139.01 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$3,195,782.08. Mrs. Sable moved the July Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of July 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for July 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 13 permits and collected \$4,465.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$578,574.00.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - None

Mrs. Creese explained to the audience that a second public comment session had been added to the agenda at the conclusion of the meeting. This was added in response to requests from residents, and Council decided to try it to see how it works.

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APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mr. Marwah moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 573-2009, PLACEMENT OF ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS IN THE SPRING RIDGE AND SCARLETT RIDGE SUBDIVISIONS – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 573-2009, and Mr. Rocca explained that there must be a study by a qualified individual showing that the proposed stop signs meet certain guidelines and criteria before the borough can legally install the stop signs by enacting an ordinance. Mrs. Sable moved Ordinance No. 573-2009 providing for additional stop signs within the Spring Ridge and Scarlett Ridge subdivisions, be enacted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

SAINTS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH, NEW CHURCH CONSTRUCTION, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mr. Hrishenko moved Parkvale Bank Letter of Credit No. 2008004 in the amended amount of \$650,413.07 for the Saints John and Paul Parish new church construction, be reduced by \$208,514.41 leaving a balance of \$441,898.66, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated July 30, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable. Mr. Rocca explained that a Letter of Credit is a financial security that the borough procures from a developer to ensure that public improvements are installed in the plan. The motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.

SAINTS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH, CONNECTOR ROAD, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mrs. Hopey moved Parkvale Bank Letter of Credit No. 2008003 in the amended amount of \$11,413.40 for the Saints John and Paul Parish connector road, be reduced by \$3,013.25 leaving a balance of \$8,400.15, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated July 30, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

SAINTS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH, SIPPEL PARKING LOT, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mrs. Sable moved Parkvale Bank Letter of Credit No. 2008002 in the amended amount of \$24,473.08 for the Saints John and Paul Parish Sippel parking lot, be reduced by \$11,039.93 leaving a balance of \$13,433.15, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated July 30, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 967-2009 APPOINTING ROBERT WALDRON AS A FIRE POLICE OFFICER - Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 967-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 967-2009 appointing Robert Waldron as a fire police officer for the year 2009, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously. Mayor Kipp administered the oath of office to Mr. Waldron.

AWARD COSTARS SALT CONTRACT #6810-02 – Mrs. Sable moved American Rock Salt of Mt. Morris, New York be awarded the bid for rock salt at a cost of \$52.29 per ton delivered, for the period August 2009 to July 2010, under COSTARS Contract #6810-02, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

BRANDTVIEW PLACE LOTS 300 & 400 REVISED – Mrs. Hopey moved preliminary and final approval be granted for a Subdivision Application submitted by Maronda Homes Inc. for Brandtview Place Lots 300 & 400 Revised, a finalization of lot lines for Lots 300 & 400 in the Brandtview Place Plan of Lots in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated August 4, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated August 5, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 574-2009, REGULATING BOROUGH PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 574-2009 amending Ordinance No. 287-86, as amended, and codified as Chapter 146 of the 1986 Code, regulating borough parks and recreation areas. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

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INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 575-2009, PLACEMENT OF ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS AND REPEAL OF YIELD SIGNS IN THE BERKSHIRE AND RAMBLEWOOD SUBDIVISIONS – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 575-2009 providing for additional stop signs and the repeal of yield signs within the Berkshire and Ramblewood Subdivisions. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 968-2009, EARNED INCOME TAX RULES AND REGULATIONS – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 968-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Resolution No. 968-2009 repealing and restating Resolution No. 842-2003 establishing Rules and Regulations for tax on earned income and net profits, be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

LINBROOK PARK CELL TOWER AGREEMENT WITH TRISTAR INVESTORS INC. – Mrs. Hopey moved to approve the Linbrook Park Cell Tower Agreement with Tristar Investors Inc., Pittsburgh, PA 15236, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

JUDGMENT NOTE BETWEEN YMCA, FRANKLIN PARK BOROUGH AND MTSA – Mrs. Creese announced that Council had some concerns about this Judgment Note, and Council will not vote on it this evening. The concerns should be addressed and the Judgment Note will be considered by Council at the next meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca noted that he is working on the budget and it will be a lean year due to the economy.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker recognized Mr. David Bruening, Associate Counsel of TriStar Investors, Inc. He and Mr. Junker worked together on the agreement, and it should be an excellent arrangement for both parties.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko attended and served lunch at the Seniors Meeting last week, where there were 71 seniors in attendance.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey announced the Northland Public Library Foundation newly elected board members: President, Matt Cuomo; Vice President, Dan Koller; Secretary, Rita Martin; and Treasurer, Cindy Kirk. If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Foundation, please contact Mrs. Hopey via her email as listed in the newsletter.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah commented on a Monday Post Gazette editorial regarding the City of Pittsburgh looking at a new way of paving roads, and he has asked Mr. Merriman to look into it. Mr. Marwah commented that Moon Township videotapes their meetings, and they are shown on public television. He suggested Council consider doing the same. Mr. Marwah read from a Sunday Post Gazette article regarding the court case that resulted in Allegheny County being required to reassess property values. Mr. Junker responded to Mr. Marwah's comments regarding the court case and reassessments since he and Mr. Weiss were both involved in the court case.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman commented that he was glad to see so many people in the audience.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese expressed disappointment that none of the residents who had called her since the last meeting to make suggestions were in attendance this evening to see the suggestions implemented, i.e. additional public comment session and explanations of the motions.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman noted that he had researched the new way of paving roads as mentioned earlier by Mr. Marwah. He noted that it takes two machines the size of two big fire trucks to heat up the top 2 inches of existing pavement, mix it with liquid and put it back down as new pavement. He noted that the cost is in excess of \$2,000,000.00. Currently, they can only mix 15% of existing pavement with new asphalt when paving, and the new system would use 100% of existing pavement with added liquid. Mr. Merriman pointed out that this system is not able to pave in cul-de-sacs, and although it is supposed to last 7 years, he thinks that is doubtful.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch welcomed Mr. Waldron as a new fire police officer and thanked him for his volunteer service.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- Mr. Phillips reported that last night the Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the natural resource protection requirements.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris reported on recreation programs in August:
 - The "It's a Ducky Day Program" was held on Tuesday and there were approximately 50 children and parents in attendance.
 - The last session of the "Little Tikes Ultimate Sports Program" finished today with 45 kids attending over the three sessions.
 - The "Ultimate Sports Program" finished the last of three sessions last Friday. This session finished with the largest number in attendance - 224 kids.
 - Movies in the Park – The last movie for the summer will be held this Friday and it is "Transformers" starting at dusk.
- Miss Morris noted that next week she will be attending the second year of Directors School under a full scholarship.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool reported that they are mowing grass 2-3 times per week on fields, which is unusual for August. They have also spread insecticide on fields to take care of grubs.
- The ADA required railing from the upper level to the lower level of the new pavilion has been completed.
- They have installed a section of split rail fence and posted a sign "No Motorized Vehicles", as a result of problems with cars driving on the trail at Old Orchard Park.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer announced that the Annual Resident Golf Outing would be held on September 19th.
- The public works department track hoe was used to excavate material from the pond, to begin heavy construction on two bunkers on the 8th and 9th holes to improve play on the course and to patch a hole in the driveway. Last year, the golf course had to spend considerable money to clean out the pond, and the excavation of the pond material by borough workers will eliminate spending money in the future.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - None

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MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Marwah moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 38

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
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The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, President present
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice President present
Jane A. Hopey, Vice President present
Ash K. Marwah (participated via speakerphone) present
Andrew Hrishenko present
Amy E. Sable present
Mayor William H. Kipp present

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineers present

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weiss present

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police absent
Walt Healy, Police Sergeant present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Works present
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director present
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer present
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Manager present
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Director present

Mrs. Creese announced that Councilman Marwah was participating in the meeting via speakerphone this evening.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Sable moved the minutes of the August 19, 2009 pre/post meeting, the August 19, 2009 regular meeting and the September 2, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the August 2009 Treasurer's Report. August 2009 receipts totaled \$556,634.16 and August 2009 expenditures totaled \$743,682.96. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$4,971,773.17 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$3,939,465.04. Mr. Hartman moved the August Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of August 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for August 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 17 permits and collected \$14,519.14 in fees. Total value of construction was \$1,012,592.59.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session would be held after this meeting to discuss a labor grievance and pending litigation.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Betty Gail Dietz, 2443 Rochester Road – Mrs. Dietz indicated that it was a pleasure to serve on the food committee at the Blueberry Hill Senior Meeting last Thursday. She thanked Miss Morris and Mr. Watenpool for making it all possible. Mr. Hrishenko complimented the food committee and encouraged everyone to attend. Mrs. Dietz also noted that she had attended one of the recent Emergency Preparedness meetings presented by Dr. Tom Stein, Emergency Management Coordinator. She encouraged everyone to attend one of his meetings.

Marion Ferrar – Ms. Ferrar asked why there were no available handicapped parking places in the municipal parking lot this evening. Sergeant Healy noted that the sign must state the maximum fine for the violation in order for the Magistrate to uphold a citation. The police will be asked to monitor the handicapped parking spaces.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 574-2009, REGULATING PARKS & RECREATION AREAS – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 574-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Ordinance No. 574-2009 amending Ordinance No. 287-86, as amended, and codified as Chapter 146 of the 1986 Code, regulating borough parks and recreation areas, be enacted, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 575-2009, STOP SIGNS IN THE BERKSHIRE & RAMBLEWOOD SUBDIVISIONS – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 575-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Ordinance No. 575-2009 providing for additional stop signs and the repeal of yield signs within the Berkshire and Ramblewood Subdivisions, be enacted, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 576-2009, STOP SIGNS AT SANDHURST AND FIELD CLUB DRIVES – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 576-2009 providing for additional stop signs at the intersection of Sandhurst Drive and Field Club Drive. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting.

YMCA JUDGMENT NOTE – Mr. Hrishenko moved to approve the Judgment Note in the amount of \$29,481.30 between the YMCA, Franklin Park Borough and MTSA, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

CODE.SYS CODE CONSULTING INC. AGREEMENT FOR ELECTRICAL INSPECTIONS – Mr. Marwah moved to approve the Agreement between the Borough and Code.Sys Code Consulting, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA 15209, for electrical inspection services, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 969-2009, AMENDING ELECTRICAL FEES IN THE SCHEDULE OF FEES – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 969-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 969-2009 amending the schedule of fees to incorporate new fees for electrical inspection services, be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 970-2009 – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 970-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 970-2009 approving the Cable Franchise Agreement between the Borough and Comcast for the 10-year period from September 16, 2009 to September 15, 2019, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

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RESOLUTION NO. 971-2009, DONATION OF LAND FROM NORTH SUBURBAN LAND COMPANY – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 971-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Resolution No. 971-2009 accepting the donation of Lot and Block No. 1068-H-331 from North Suburban Land Company, Inc. to be used as public land for public purposes, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp thanked Angela Baehr, EAC member, for bringing the property to the attention of Council and the Mayor. Mayor Kipp noted a news story about the G20 Summit and the fact that some police departments have decided that they cannot assist in the City of Pittsburgh during the G20 Summit. He noted that our police department's first duty is to the citizens of Franklin Park during the G20 Summit. The police will be on patrol making sure that Franklin Park stays safe during the G20 Summit. However, if called upon by the City of Pittsburgh for an emergency, our police department would respond. Mayor Kipp noted that it is budget time, and Council is faced with difficult decisions to balance the 2010 budget. He urged residents to provide their input to Council members or to him.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko mentioned that Councilman Marwah had an article written about him in the North Allegheny Community Magazine regarding the charitable contributions he makes to the school for blind girls located in India.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey noted that the Northland Library Board passed the 2010 budget by a 3-2 vote. She pointed out that the 2010 budget is considerably less than the 2009 budget, and if one of the member municipalities does not adopt the 2010 budget, then the Library would revert back to the 2009 budget. The state budget currently being considered reduces funds for libraries, and the municipalities would have to make up the difference.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable noted that input from residents regarding the 2010 budget would be welcome, and she would appreciate hearing from residents since it is their money.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah thanked Mr. Hrishenko for his kind words. Mr. Marwah noted that during his recent travels he has noted budget cuts in many areas of the country. There are lessons to be learned, and the borough needs to be careful looking at income and expenses and do what is best for the community.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman noted that a couple months back it was suggested that we give money back to the taxpayers. However, the latest figures indicate that the borough is now a little short on funds.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese noted that these are tough decisions that Council will have to make regarding the budget.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- No report.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- No report.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- No report.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris noted that the fall programs are in full swing, and some programs have already been closed.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool noted that they are continuing maintenance and repair work in the parks.
- Mr. Watenpool received a resignation from a Recreation Board member this evening, and he will provide it to Council.

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GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer announced that the Resident Golf Outing is sold out, with 80 people playing.
- Mr. Schweitzer has postponed the 20th Anniversary day with 1990 rates of \$5.00 originally scheduled for Sunday, September 20th. There are two large parties booked for that day, and he did not want to give up those revenues.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Someone in the audience asked about the location of the land being donated by North Suburban Land Company and what the borough would do with the land. Mr. Rocca responded that the land is located off Elkridge and Shadowbrook in the Northmont Farms Plan, and it would be maintained as open space and could be used in conjunction with the dam. There is an upcoming construction project involving the dam and the borough may need to pile some dirt or fill on the property.

Mr. Hrishenko asked if the permanent lights were installed at the new pavilion at Blueberry Hill Park. Mr. Merriman noted that temporary lights were put in and they are on from dusk to dawn. A post and light are on order and should be received by the end of the week. Mr. Hrishenko thanked Mr. Merriman for taking care of this project.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Mrs. Creese reminded Council that they would now go into executive session as she had previously announced earlier in the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 23

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The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, President present
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice President present
Jane A. Hopey, Vice President present
Ash K. Marwah present
Andrew Hrishenko present
Amy E. Sable present
Junior Councilperson Brennan McGovern present
Mayor William H. Kipp present

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineers present

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weiss present

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Works present
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director present
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer present
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Manager present
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent absent
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Director present

APPOINT BRENNAN MCGOVERN, JUNIOR COUNCILPERSON - Mrs. Hopey moved Brennan McGovern be appointed as the Junior Councilperson for the 2009/2010 school year, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously. Mayor Kipp administered the Oath of Office.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Sable moved the minutes of the September 16, 2009 pre/post meeting and the September 16, 2009 regular meeting, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the September 2009 Treasurer's Report. September 2009 receipts totaled \$491,513.07 and September 2009 expenditures totaled \$752,806.21. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$5,463,286.24 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$4,692,271.25. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of September 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

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BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for September 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 14 permits and collected \$21,635.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$2,328,789.71.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on October 7, 2009 to discuss potential litigation regarding the Scarlett Ridge Plan. Mrs. Creese also announced that an executive session would be held after the conclusion of this meeting to discuss a Teamsters Union grievance, and Council would also hold a post meeting after the conclusion of this meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Hrishenko suggested that the three-minute time limit for each speaker be eliminated. There was a brief discussion, and Council agreed.

Brian Webster, 1508 Sandhurst Drive – Mr. Webster stated that he feels strongly that all stop signs must stay at the intersection of Field Club Drive and Sandhurst Drive for safety reasons. Mr. Webster stated that the safety of the entire street should outweigh the inconvenience of one individual.

Hazel Pruckner, 1528 Sandhurst Drive – Mrs. Pruckner and her husband have lived on Sandhurst Drive for 36 years, and they have watched the street go from calm and quiet to a street with traffic. Mrs. Pruckner stated that there is no doubt that all three of the stop signs should remain for safety.

Marcia Ebbert, 1535 Field Club Drive – Mrs. Ebbert commented that there is limited site distance on Field Club Drive when turning onto Sandhurst Drive. Mrs. Ebbert said it would be wrong to remove any of the stop signs. She is in favor of keeping all of the stop signs for safety reasons.

Ken Schuring, 2358 Magee Road Extension – Mr. Schuring wanted it to be known that someone was spraying the trees along Magee Road Extension near Acorn Park. He was told by a second truck that it was PennDOT doing the spraying. Mr. Schuring stated that he called Mr. Rocca, who indicated that he had never been notified of the spraying. Mr. Schuring stated that the borough and individual residents should be notified when any type of spraying is going on. Mr. Rocca noted that staff has contacted Senator Orië's office and PennDOT, and we are waiting for a response. Staff will get back to Mr. Schuring once a response is received.

Pam Barnhart, 1514 Sandhurst Drive – Ms. Barnhart indicated that she was the person who initiated the request for the installation of the stop signs, and she fought very hard to have the signs put up for the safety of her children. Ms. Barnhart indicated that 21 residents were in favor of keeping all of the stop signs, and they need to remain for the safety of the children.

Brian McLaughlin, 1531 Sandhurst Drive – Mr. McLaughlin provided photographs of the intersection of Sandhurst Drive and Field Club Drive showing the poor field of vision at this intersection. Mr. McLaughlin is in favor of keeping all of the stop signs at the intersection for safety reasons. The safety concerns of 21 residents should outweigh the inconvenience of 1 or 2 residents. Mr. McLaughlin read into the record an email from Natalie Abel of 1512 Sandhurst Drive in favor of keeping the stop signs in place, and he also read a letter from Jennifer Webster of 1508 Sandhurst Drive in favor of keeping the stop signs.

There was then discussion among the audience, staff, Council and Mayor regarding the stop signs. Council thanked the residents for their input this evening.

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Marianne Stearns, 2505 Matterhorn Drive – Ms. Stearns noted that she used to live in the Brook Park neighborhood, and she would be in favor of keeping the stop signs. Ms. Stearns also read an email she received from Mr. Marwah regarding Allegheny County property reassessments. There was then some discussion regarding the reassessment issue as well as Mr. Marwah's comments.

Dennis O'Keefe, 1511 Sandhurst Drive – Mr. O'Keefe agrees with his neighbors, and he urged Council to listen to the comments expressed this evening regarding the stop signs and adopt Ordinance No. 576-2009 tonight.

Mrs. Creese noted that there would be a second public comment portion at the end of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 576-2009, ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS AT SANDHURST DRIVE AND FIELD CLUB DRIVE – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 576-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Ordinance No. 576-2009 providing for additional stop signs at the intersection of Sandhurst Drive and Field Club Drive be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Hopey. Council then discussed the motion. Mr. Marwah moved to table the motion. Mr. Marwah's motion failed, as there was no second to the motion. A vote was then taken on the main motion to enact Ordinance No. 576-2009, and the motion carried unanimously.

BAIERL FAMILY YMCA, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mr. Marwah moved National City Letter of Credit No. SCL015289 in the original amount of \$49,445.00 for the Baierl Family YMCA, be reduced by \$44,445.00 leaving a balance of \$5,000.00, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated September 22, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF BOB ZICK FROM THE RECREATION BOARD – Mrs. Sable moved to accept the resignation of Robert Zick from the Recreation Board effective September 16, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously. Mrs. Creese noted that Mr. Zick's resignation was accepted with regret.

NORTHLAND LIBRARY QUARTERLY PAYMENT – Mrs. Hopey moved the Treasurer's office be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$66,071.75 payable to Northland Library for the fourth quarter payment of 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

2010 NORTHLAND LIBRARY BUDGET APPROVAL – Mrs. Sable moved to adopt the proposed 2010 Northland Library budget, contingent upon Franklin Park Borough providing up to \$270,855.00 as its share of municipal support, seconded by Mr. Hartman. Mr. Marwah objected to the motion because the amount specified in the motion is not the exact amount for the budget because the Regional Asset Board has rejected the funding formula for the libraries. Mrs. Hopey explained that the state budget has been passed and the figure in the motion is the amount specified in the library budget. Mrs. Creese called for a vote. Mr. Marwah voted "No" and all other members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO FRANKLIN PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. NO. 1 – Mrs. Hopey moved the Treasurer be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable to the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 which represents the Borough's annual contribution to the Fire Company, and the Treasurer be authorized to prepare a check in the amount of \$25,000.00 payable to the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust for deposit into the Borough's Fire Company Escrow Account for future fire company vehicle purchases, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 972-2009, ALLEGHENY COUNTY'S ENERGY PROGRAM FOR MUNICIPALITIES – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 972-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Resolution No. 972-2009 indicating the Borough's willingness to participate in an energy audit as part of Allegheny County's Energy Program for Municipalities financed by a block grant through the U.S. Department of Energy, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

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AWARD 2009 FALL COMMODITIES BIDS – Mrs. Hopey moved to award the following 2009 fall commodities bids as submitted to the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance for its bid opening on September 23, 2009:

Gasoline & Diesel Fuel Glassmere Fuel Service, Inc., P.O. Box 187, Curtisville, PA 15032,

seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

APPOINT ACBA DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE – Council discussed the appointment of a delegate and an alternate. Mrs. Creese indicated that she would be willing to continue to serve as the delegate. Mr. Hrishenko commented that he does not mind attending these type of meetings, but he would rather not be the alternate if the delegate can choose who they would like to attend the meeting in his/her place. Mrs. Hopey moved to appoint Martha Creese as the Delegate and Amy Sable as the Alternate to the Allegheny County Boroughs Association, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

2010 PENSION MMOs – Mr. Hrishenko moved to acknowledge receipt of the 2010 MMOs for the Police and General Employees' Pension Plans and to state Council's intention to budget additional funds beyond the MMOs, seconded by Mrs. Hopey. Mr. Marwah commented that Council has agreed to contribute more into the pension plans than required by the MMOs and that total amounts to \$299,000. Mr. Rocca then explained the state requirements for funding the municipal pension plans. Mrs. Creese asked for a vote on the motion and it was carried unanimously.

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 577-2009, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A LOCAL SERVICES TAX – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 577-2009, providing for the levying, assessment and collection of a Local Services Tax under the "Local Tax Enabling Act," 53 P.S. Section 6921.101, et seq. and amending Chapter 189 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Franklin Park, adopted by Ordinance No. 456-98 and thereafter amended, to enact a new Article VI to be entitled "Local Services Tax". This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at a future meeting. Mr. Rocca explained that the Local Services Tax has not previously been needed in the borough, but the borough now needs the additional revenue to offset expenses. The Local Services Tax allows a municipality to impose up to a \$52.00 tax on any employees who work within the borough and make over \$12,000. Mr. Rocca noted that Council will conclude the budget process within the next 30 days and they will make a final determination whether or not to impose this tax at the conclusion of the budget process. Mr. Marwah commented that he is firmly opposed to this tax and he discussed his reasons. Mrs. Creese then asked Mr. Junker to further explain the proposed Local Services Tax. Mr. Rocca noted that staff is projecting that the borough would collect approximately \$60,000 from this tax. Mr. Junker noted that the borough is required under the Local Tax Enabling Act to dedicate at least 25% of the tax collected for items such as police, fire and road repairs.

REGIONAL VEHICLE INSPECTION TEAM AGREEMENT WITH THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY – Mr. Hartman moved to approve the Regional Vehicle Inspection Team Agreement between the Borough of Franklin Park and the District Attorney of Allegheny County, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca noted that he was glad to see everyone in the audience, and he welcomes citizen participation and input.

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MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp welcomed Brennan as the new Junior Councilperson. He reminded everyone that Tuesday, November 3rd is election day noting that residents would be voting for a new Mayor and three Council positions. He encouraged audience comments at the end of the meeting regarding any actions that took place during the meeting this evening. Mayor Kipp had noted that current estimates indicate that we will have a small budget surplus at the end of the year, and Council would not have to make difficult decisions as first thought. Mayor Kipp read a letter from Ms. Marilyn Senik of Hopkins Church Road expressing thanks and appreciation for herself and all residents of Hopkins Church Road for the recent road paving. Mayor Kipp discussed the 2006 Comprehensive Plan and the current work by the Planning Commission to develop new and revised regulations to implement the Plan. Mayor Kipp discussed the Five Points Village Overlay Article. Mayor Kipp discussed the interviews conducted by Council of two Planning Commission members who would be up for reappointment in 2010. Mayor Kipp read a letter addressed to Mr. Hrishenko from the Allegheny County District Attorney's office dated September 22, 2009 regarding a complaint filed by Mr. Hrishenko against Mrs. Hopey. The letter stated that an Allegheny County District Attorney reviewed the allegations and found no criminality involved.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko congratulated Brennan. Mr. Hrishenko thanked Mr. Merriman and his staff for installing the lights at the new pavilion at Blueberry Hill Park. Mr. Hrishenko responded to Mayor Kipp's previous comments regarding the Five Points Overlay area. Mr. Hrishenko noted that he and Mr. Marwah attended the Western Pennsylvania Township, Boroughs and Authorities Fall Conference at Seven Springs, and he reviewed some of the topics discussed. Mr. Hrishenko discussed the letter received by Mrs. Hopey from the Ethics Commission and also a letter sent out by Mrs. Hopey to her constituents. Mr. Junker cautioned Mr. Hrishenko that the confidentiality provisions of the Ethics Act prohibit any person from disclosing or acknowledging to another person any information relating to a complaint, preliminary inquiry, investigation, hearing or petition for reconsideration.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey read a statement regarding allegations against her regarding the installation of air conditioning at the Clover Hill Golf Course by Hopey Heating and Cooling. She noted that she would no longer publicly comment on this matter.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable congratulated Brennan and reminded everyone to vote on November 3rd. Mrs. Sable noted that she appreciated hearing from the residents of Field Club Drive and Sandhurst Drive, and she thanked them for coming out tonight.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah congratulated Brennan. Mr. Marwah noted that Council would be scheduling a meeting to finalize the budget, and he urged everyone to attend.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman congratulated Brennan. Mr. Hartman noted that he is not in favor of raising any taxes.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese noted that Dr. Thomas Stein, the borough's Emergency Management Coordinator, has agreed to hold another session regarding emergency preparedness. Mrs. Creese encouraged everyone to attend when a date has been scheduled. Mrs. Creese welcomed Brennan. Mrs. Creese commented on comments made by Mr. Hrishenko and Mr. Marwah at the recent Seven Springs Conference.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko stated that he is against increasing taxes. Mr. Hrishenko then responded to previous comments.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman commented on the letter previously read by Mayor Kipp regarding the paving of Hopkins Church Road. He noted that his guys try to stay one step ahead of everything and that is what they are paid to do.
- He noted that the brush chipping program would begin on November 2nd. He also noted that he ordered salt today.

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CHIEF OF POLICE

- No report.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- No report.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris announced that the Halloween Party would be held on Sunday at the Activity Center, and the Square Dance would be held on November 7th at the Activity Center.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool noted that work is being done at the new lacrosse field. The excavation is underway, and should be finished next week weather permitting.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Betty Gail Dietz, 2443 Rochester Road – Mrs. Dietz commented regarding the Seven Springs Conference and previous comments made by Mr. Hrishenko and Mr. Marwah.

There was then discussion among Council members regarding the Five Points Overlay District.

Hazel Pruckner, 1528 Sandhurst Drive – Mrs. Pruckner commented that there are many strong personalities on Council and there is a lot of dissention. She encouraged Council to stop arguing and work together to get the job done.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 47

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
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The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, President present
Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice President present
Jane A. Hopey, Vice President present
Ash K. Marwah absent
Andrew Hrishenko present
Amy E. Sable present
Junior Councilperson Brennan McGovern present
Mayor William H. Kipp present

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineers present

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weiss present

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police present
Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary present
Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Works present
Brianna Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director present
Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer present
Ambrose Rocca, Borough Manager present
Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent present
Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Director present

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp read the speech he gave at the Veterans Day celebration at Franklin Elementary School on November 11th.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mrs. Hopey moved the minutes of the October 7, 2009 work session, the October 21, 2009 pre/post meeting, the October 21, 2009 regular meeting and the November 4, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the October 2009 Treasurer's Report. October 2009 receipts totaled \$502,318.96 and year-to-date receipts totaled \$5,965,605.20. October 2009 expenditures totaled \$950,673.41 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$5,642,944.66. Mrs. Sable moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of October 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for October 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 20 permits and collected \$11,161.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$957,997.00.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on November 4, 2009 to discuss labor relations, personnel and T-Mobile litigation and an executive session was held prior to the meeting this evening regarding a Teamsters Union grievance.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR – None

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING, CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION CU-09-10-05, WILLIAM & SARAH SWARTZ – Mrs. Creese turned the meeting over to Mr. Junker to conduct a public hearing to consider Conditional Use Application CU-09-10-05 submitted by William and Sarah Swartz. Mary Ellen Wolf, court reporter, was present to take a verbatim transcript of the hearing. Mr. Junker noted that the Planning Commission recommended to approve the request and no conditions were attached. Mr. Junker reviewed the time requirements for approval of the application. Mr. William Swartz indicated that the front addition would be used for the storage of personal and classic cars and the rear addition would be used for the storage of a lawn tractor and yard equipment. Mr. Phillips noted that the abutting property owners had been notified. Mr. Swartz was asked if he would be willing to provide a landscape plan and he stated that he would be willing to do so. Council discussed the possibility of continuing the public hearing until a landscape plan is provided. Council expressed a concern regarding the size of the finished garage. Mrs. Sable moved approval be granted for Conditional Use Application CU-09-10-05 submitted by William and Sarah Swartz for an 840 sq. ft addition to a detached garage located at 2268 Meadow Road in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated October 29, 2009, and contingent upon submission of a landscape plan to be approved by the Environmental Advisory Council, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 577-2009, LOCAL SERVICES TAX – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 577-2009. Mrs. Hopey moved Ordinance No. 577-2009, providing for the levying, assessment and collection of a Local Services Tax under the "Local Tax Enabling Act," 53 P.S. Section 6921.101, et seq. and amending Chapter 189 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Franklin Park, adopted by Ordinance No. 456-98 and thereafter amended, to enact a new Article VI to be entitled "Local Services Tax", be enacted, seconded by Mrs. Sable. Mr. Rocca explained that up until now the borough has been in a relatively sound financial position, and we have not had a need for this tax. This tax imposes a \$52.00 annual fee on every worker within the borough. It also exempts workers who earn less than \$12,000 per year. Employers are required to withhold \$1.00 per week and submit it to the borough on a quarterly basis. There are several communities who have either instituted this tax this year or increased it. Mr. Hartman commented that he would rather have this tax than laying off employees or cutting services. Mrs. Creese then asked for a vote. Mr. Hrishenko voted "No" and all other members present voted "Aye". The motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 578-2009, 2010 TAX RATE ORDINANCE – Mr. Junker introduced Ordinance No. 578-2009 levying and assessing taxes for general and specific purposes for the year 2010. This ordinance will be properly advertised for enactment at the December 16, 2009 regular meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 973-2009, APPOINTING JEFFREY W. ADAMS AS A FIRE POLICE OFFICER – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 973-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 973-2009, appointing Jeffrey W. Adams as a Fire Police Officer for the year 2009 and providing for duties and control by the Chief of Police, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously. Mayor Kipp administered the Oath of Office.

INGOMAR/FRANKLIN PARK ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION LEASE AGREEMENT – Mr. Hrishenko moved to approve the Lease Agreement between the Borough of Franklin Park and the Ingomar/Franklin Park Athletic Association for the use of borough fields for a period of 15 years, beginning April 1, 2009 and ending November 1, 2024, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

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NORTH ALLEGHENY SOCCER CLUB LEASE AGREEMENT – Mrs. Sable moved to approve the Lease Agreement between the Borough of Franklin Park and the North Allegheny Soccer Club for the use of borough fields for a period of 15 years, beginning April 1, 2009 and ending November 1, 2024, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

LINBROOK CRICKET CLUB LEASE AGREEMENT – Mrs. Hopey moved to approve the Lease Agreement between the Borough of Franklin Park and the Linbrook Cricket Club for the use of borough fields for a period of 15 years, beginning April 1, 2009 and ending November 1, 2024, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

CAR WASH AGREEMENT – Mr. Hartman moved Council accept the proposal from Jerry's Car Wash, Wexford, PA, to provide basic full service car wash services for vehicles owned and maintained by the Borough at a cost of \$6.35 per vehicle for the year 2010, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDER #1, LINBROOK PARK LACROSSE FIELD TREE REMOVAL & GRUBBING CONTRACT – Mrs. Hopey moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Linbrook Park Lacrosse Field Tree Removal and Grubbing Contract increasing the original contract price of \$34,498.00 by \$2,242.37 for the clearing of additional acreage as required by the stormwater management plan prepared by HRG Engineering, bringing the total contract price to \$36,740.37, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDER #1, LINBROOK PARK LACROSSE FIELD EXCAVATION CONTRACT – Mrs. Sable moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Linbrook Park Lacrosse Field Excavation Contract increasing the original contract price of \$128,198.00 by \$8,694.50 for the adjustment of final quantities and to incorporate work into the contract that previously was to be performed by borough forces, bringing the total contract price to \$136,892.50, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

PAYMENT #1, LINBROOK PARK LACROSSE FIELD EXCAVATION CONTRACT – Mr. Hrishenko moved to authorize Payment No. 1 in the amount of \$103,903.00 to Tedesco Construction Company for the completion of earth work for the Linbrook Park Lacrosse Field Excavation Contract, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

SCARLETT RIDGE PLAN, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mr. Hartman moved Washington Federal Letter of Credit No. 237 in the amount of \$100,250.35 for the Scarlett Ridge Plan, be reduced by \$14,388.00 leaving a balance of \$85,862.35, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated November 10, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

PURDY NURSERY, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mrs. Hopey moved Bank of America N.A. Letter of Credit No. S201343 in the amended amount of \$25,389.12 for Purdy Nursery, be reduced by \$5,885.85 leaving a balance of \$19,503.27, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated November 11, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2010 BUDGET – Mrs. Hopey moved to introduce the 2010 Borough Budget, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca summarized the 2010 budget noting that with the exception of the Local Services Tax, all other tax rates will remain the same. The Local Services Tax should generate approximately \$67,000. The 2010 budget is a flat budget; revenues are projected to increase 1/10 of 1% and expenditures will increase 1/8 of 1%. We were able to balance the budget by eliminating some road resurfacing projects and also by eliminating some of the equipment depreciation. In 2013 bonds begin to be paid off, and we will begin to receive some repayments from the sanitary sewer funds. The beginning cash for 2010 is estimated at \$400,000, which is \$100,000 less than last year. We expect to finish 2009 with approximately \$100,000. We will upgrade equipment and facilities in the amount of \$170,000, which is well below what was spent last year. There were some cost-saving measures taken last year for the purchase of road salt.

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Mr. Rocca reviewed the lease agreements with the athletic associations that were on the agenda this evening. The way we have developed and maintained our recreational facilities is through cooperation with each one of the leagues, both through donations and through direct monetary contributions. It has been a very successful formula.

Mr. Rocca announced that every year Bill Howrilla, a resident and ex-marine, collects donations to be sent to soldiers serving overseas. The back room of the municipal building is full of donations, and they are now looking for resources to help defray the shipping costs. Mr. Rocca noted that the borough employees are taking up a collection, and he urged anyone who would like to contribute to see him after the meeting.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker noted that on October 28th he was invited to speak in front of the House Republican Policy Committee meeting in Pine Township regarding the property assessment system and what action the state could take. Mr. Junker noted that the meeting was videotaped and should be broadcast on PCN. Mr. Junker also congratulated the recently elected officials.

MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp congratulated Mrs. Hopey and Mrs. Sable on their re-election to Council, and he congratulated Council-elect David Quatchak and Mayor-elect Dennis O'Keefe.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko thanked everyone who attended the last Council meeting from Sandhurst Drive and Field Club Drive to express their opinions regarding the stop sign at the intersection of Sandhurst Drive and Field Club Drive.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey welcomed Jeff Adams as a new fire police officer. Mrs. Hopey thanked Mr. Rocca and the department managers for working together to develop a balanced budget. The borough is very fortunate to have a staff that is willing to work together for the good of the community. Mrs. Hopey noted that the Northland Library budget is tough, along with every other budget. The Northland Library Board held a meeting last night. Because the ACLA funding will be less than expected, the Northland Library Foundation has taken on the responsibility for funding the Bookmobile. They will hold a fundraiser in February. She noted that people realize how important the library is for the community and they have shown their support.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

MR HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He stated that the Local Services Tax will help the borough so we do not have to lay off any employees.

BRENNAN MCGOVERN, JUNIOR COUNCILMAN – Brennan congratulated all who were elected and re-elected in the recent election. He thanked Mayor Kipp for reading his Veterans Day speech and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese thanked Mayor Kipp for reading his Veterans Day speech. She congratulated Jeff Adams as a new fire police officer, and she congratulated Mrs. Sable, Mrs. Hopey, Mr. Quatchak and Mr. O'Keefe for being elected. Mrs. Creese noted that the Local Services Tax was a tough decision for Council to make. She thanked staff for the sacrifices behind the scenes to cut to the bare minimum so we did not have to lay off any workers or cut any services.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and welcomed Jeff Adams as a new fire police officer.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- No report.

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ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris provided an update on the recent Halloween Party, noting that there were 200 attendees.
- Lunch with Santa is scheduled for Sunday December 13th. Early registration is encouraged since the program usually fills quickly.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool noted that they had completed aeration and fertilization of all athletic fields.
- They have put straw blankets on all steep slopes on the Lacrosse Field to meet all DEP requirements. The overall construction is finished, and the contractor was moving out his equipment today.
- They have reconstructed the ball field on Rochester Road in order to address drainage issues.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer noted that the season is winding down at the golf course, but they are still open for play.
- Gift cards are available for the holidays.
- He wished everyone Happy Holidays and congratulated the newly elected officials.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - None

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 36

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin Park was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237.

Council President Martha Creese called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Krummert called the roll:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Martha A. Creese, President..... present
 Richard H. Hartman, Second Vice President..... present
 Jane A. Hopey, Vice President..... present
 Ash K. Marwah..... present
 Andrew Hrishenko..... present
 Amy E. Sable..... present
 Junior Councilperson Brennan McGovern..... present
 Mayor William H. Kipp..... present

ENGINEER:

Bob Nedzesky, W.E.C. Engineers..... present

SOLICITOR:

Robert Max Junker, Law Offices of Ira Weiss..... present

STAFF:

Don Dorsch, Chief of Police..... present
 Cathy Krummert, Borough Secretary..... present
 Ronald Merriman, Superintendent of Public Works..... present
 Brianne Morris, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director..... present
 Tim Phillips, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer..... present
 Ambrose Rocca, Borough Manager..... present
 Bill Schweitzer, Golf Course Superintendent..... present
 Jim Watenpool, Parks & Recreation Director..... present

RECOGNITION OF BOY SCOUT TROOP NO. 36 FOR THEIR COMMUNITY SERVICE – Mayor Kipp recognized the following scouts for their community service. First-time awardees received patches.

<u>First Time Awards</u>	<u>Second Time Award</u>	<u>Third Time Award</u>	<u>Eagle Scout Rank</u>
Adam Bolette	Edd Keisling	Jeff Campbell	Jeff Campbell
Gabe Gaspar	Jacob Machi		David Wilkins
Linda Campbell	Mike Magdic		Matt Magdic
	Matt Waldron		
	Ken Andrews		
	Scott Campbell		
	David Wilkins		

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Mrs. Hopey stated that tonight we recognize Council President Martha Creese and Mayor William Kipp for their exemplary public service to the Borough of Franklin Park.

PRESENTATIONS TO MARTHA CREESE, OUTGOING COUNCIL PRESIDENT – Ms. Ashley Siska from State Senator Jane Clare Orié's Office read and presented a Citation to Martha Creese. Mr. Ralph LeDonne of State Representative Mike Turzai's office read and presented a Citation to Martha Creese. Mrs. Hopey read and presented Resolution No. 974-2009 to Martha Creese. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 974-2009 recognizing Martha Creese for her years of dedicated community service, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS TO WILLIAM KIPP, OUTGOING MAYOR - Ms. Ashley Siska from State Senator Jane Clare Orié's Office read and presented a Citation to William Kipp. Mr. Ralph LeDonne of State Representative Mike Turzai's office read and presented a Citation to William Kipp. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 975-2009 recognizing William Kipp for his years of dedicated community service, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously. Council Vice President Jane Hopey read and presented Resolution No.975-2009 to William Kipp.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mr. Hrishenko moved the minutes of the November 18, 2009 pre/post meeting, the November 18, 2009 regular meeting and the December 2, 2009 work session, be approved, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Rocca read the November 2009 Treasurer's Report. November 2009 receipts totaled \$393,937.86 and November 2009 expenditures totaled \$488,934.15. Year-to-date receipts totaled \$6,360,068.06 and year-to-date expenditures totaled \$6,131,878.81. Mr. Marwah moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT – Mayor Kipp read the Police Report and activity report for the month of November 2009. Mr. Hartman recommended the Police Report be filed with the Police Secretary.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT - Mr. Phillips read the Building Inspection Report for November 2009. Mr. Phillips issued 16 permits and collected \$17,404.00 in fees. Total value of construction was \$1,977,268.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mrs. Creese announced that an executive session was held on December 2, 2009 to discuss personnel and a Teamsters Union grievance.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Jim Lawrence, 2604 Fountain Hills Drive – Mr. Lawrence stated that Mrs. Creese has served the community with courage and leadership, and she will be missed.

Mr. John Murphy, 1815 Franklin Run Drive – Mr. Murphy is a new resident who has a concern with the application on the agenda this evening for Franklin Run Plan of Lots Revised No. 3, and he asked Council to oppose the application. Mr. Junker indicated that the zoning ordinance does permit a staggered approach with different setbacks from 50 ft. to 40 ft. throughout the plan. He suggested that the homeowners in the plan look at the language in their contracts with the developer. Mr. Phillips noted that the ordinance provides for the request that has been made by the developer, and this is the second request of this type in the plan. Mr. Murphy expressed his frustration that the project manager did not convey accurate information to him. Mr. Marwah indicated that Council also received an email from Jeffrey Roth of 1809 Franklin Run Court opposing the application. Mr. Marwah asked Mr. Phillips to prepare a report on this issue to familiarize Council with this matter. Mr. Junker indicated that the review approval time limit date is February 13, 2010. Council could table the matter for further investigation.

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Mrs. Michele Chetoka, 1655 Norman Drive – Mrs. Chetoka thanked Martha Creese for everything she has done on behalf of the Recreation Board. She also enjoyed working with Mayor Kipp in some of the Recreation Board programs. Mrs. Chetoka mentioned a problem with a running club affiliated with the YMCA who runs four abreast on Nicholson Road. Vehicles must then drive out around the runners causing a dangerous situation. Mr. Rocca indicated that this has come up before, and he had asked the executive director of the YMCA to make alternate plans. He has now spoken with Mr. Gary Sippel who owns office buildings behind the YMCA with paved streets and sidewalks, and Mr. Sippel agreed that the group could run in this area. Mr. Rocca made the YMCA executive director aware of this option. Chief Dorsch indicated that they are permitted to run on the road, but they cannot run more than two abreast. Mr. Rocca was directed to send a letter to the YMCA.

Mayor-elect Dennis O'Keefe, 1511 Sandhurst Drive – Mr. O'Keefe stated that both Martha Creese and Mayor Kipp worked unselfishly giving of themselves for Franklin Park. Well done and congratulations.

Borough Historian, Debby Rabold – Mrs. Rabold announced that history books are still available for sale. Mrs. Rabold thanked Martha Creese and William Kipp for their dedicated community service. Mrs. Rabold presented Martha with a picture taken at the dedication of the historical marker on Brandt School Road two years ago.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS – Mrs. Hopey moved Council authorize the payment of the bills, which have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 578-2009, THE 2010 TAX ORDINANCE – Mr. Junker summarized Ordinance No. 578-2009. Mr. Marwah moved Ordinance No. 578-2009 levying and assessing taxes for general and specific purposes for the year 2010, be enacted, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

2010 BUDGET – Mrs. Hopey moved the annual budget for the year 2010 be approved (the official budget will be available in the general office during normal business hours), seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

2010 TABLE OF ORGANIZATION – Mr. Hartman moved the 2010 Table of Organization fixing the salaries for employees and appointees of the Borough for the calendar year 2010 be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 976-2009, POLICE PENSION CONTRIBUTION FOR 2010 – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 976-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 976-2009 establishing the contribution rate of 2% of compensation for the participants of the Borough of Franklin Park Police Pension Plan for the 2010 plan year, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 977-2009, RATIFYING AND APPROVING 2010 ENGINEERING FEES – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 977-2009. Mrs. Sable moved Resolution No. 977-2009 ratifying and approving engineering fees for the year 2010, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN RUN PLAN OF LOTS REVISED NO. 3 – Mrs. Hopey moved preliminary & final approval for Subdivision Application No. 09-12-07 Franklin Run Plan of Lots Revised No. 3, submitted by Franklin Run LLC for a minor subdivision to change 3 lots with 50 ft required front yard setback lines to 40 ft setbacks along Franklin Run Court in the R-2 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated November 24, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated November 24, 2009, seconded by Mr. Marwah. Mr. Marwah moved to table the motion, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko. Council discussed and noted that they would like more information before voting on the matter. Mrs. Creese called for a vote and the motion to table carried unanimously.

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SBA TOWERS LLC COMMUNICATION TOWER IN LINBROOK PARK – Mr. Marwah moved preliminary and final approval for Land Development Application No. 09-10-02 submitted by Tristar Investors, Inc./SBA Towers LLC for a communication tower site located in Linbrook Park in the R-1 zoning district, contingent upon compliance with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer's Staff Report dated December 14, 2009, and the letter from W.E.C. Engineering dated December 11, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN RUN DEVELOPMENT, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mr. Hrishenko moved Letter of Credit No. SB-003082 in the amended amount of \$351,500.00 issued by S&T Bank for the Franklin Run Development, be reduced by \$68,500.00 leaving a balance of \$283,000.00, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated December 8, 2009, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PITTSBURGH PARKING LOT EXTENSION, LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION – Mrs. Sable moved Letter of Credit No. 12500532-00-000 in the original amount of \$130,854.00 issued by PNC Bank for the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh parking lot extension be reduced by \$130,854.00 leaving a balance of \$000, and that it be canceled in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated December 8, 2009, seconded by Mr. Marwah and carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH FRANKLIN PARK OFFICERS ASSOCIATION INSTITUTING 12-HOUR SHIFT PROGRAM – Mrs. Hopey moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Borough of Franklin Park and the Franklin Park Officers Association instituting a 12-hour shift program for a 1-year tryout period, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 978-2009, APPOINTING KENNETH WISE III AS A PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER – Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 978-2009. Mr. Hartman moved Resolution No.978-2009 appointing Kenneth Wise III as a part-time police officer effective December 16, 2009, be adopted, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously. Mayor Kipp administered the Oath of Office to Kenneth Wise III.

FINAL PAYMENT TO TEDESCO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR LINBROOK PARK LACROSSE FIELD EXCAVATION CONTRACT – Mr. Marwah moved to authorize the second and final payment to Tedesco Construction Company in the amount of \$32,989.50 for the completion of all excavation and grading contract work for the Linbrook Park Lacrosse Field Excavation Contract, seconded by Mr. Hrishenko and carried unanimously.

REAPPOINT WILLIAM H. KIPP TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL & THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE – Mrs. Sable moved William H. Kipp be reappointed to the Environmental Advisory Council effective January 1, 2010 through the end of his term which will expire December 31, 2010, and that William H. Kipp be reappointed to the Scholarship Selection Committee effective January 1, 2010 through the end of his term which will expire December 31, 2011, seconded by Mrs. Hopey and carried unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER – Mr. Rocca thanked Martha Creese for her service, noting that she has had the best interest of the residents of Franklin Park first and foremost. He also thanked her for the support she has given to the staff. Mr. Rocca thanked William Kipp for his service as Mayor, and noted that he will continue to serve on the EAC and Scholarship Selection Committee. Mr. Rocca wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Junker noted that he has been in regular contact with Martha Creese, and it is quite a commitment to be a member of Council, and especially president. Martha has been an excellent ambassador for the borough. Mr. Junker stated that it was good to work with William Kipp. Mr. Junker also thanked their spouses, Bill Creese and Peggy Kipp, for allowing them to serve the borough.

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MAYOR KIPP – Mayor Kipp noted that Martha Creese is leaving after a long tenure as a public servant. He noted that Martha's final achievement is the 2010 budget. Despite difficult financial times, the borough passed a fiscally sound budget that does not contain personnel layoffs or increased property taxes, and it decreases the borough's debt. He thanked Martha for her service and noted that she would be missed.

Mayor Kipp noted that he enjoyed his year as Mayor, and he thanked several individuals and the police department and citizens of Franklin Park. Mayor Kipp wished everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday season.

MR. HRISHENKO – Mr. Hrishenko acknowledged former junior councilperson Bryan Hogg who was in attendance this evening. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and good health to everybody.

MRS. HOPEY – Mrs. Hopey thanked Martha Creese and stated that she will be missed. Mrs. Hopey stated that it was nice getting to know Mayor Kipp better, and she looks forward to working with him in the future.

MRS. SABLE – Mrs. Sable thanked Martha Creese for her many years of public service to the borough. She thanked Martha for her leadership, commitment, involvement and all of her time and effort. Mrs. Sable thanked William Kipp for assuming the duties of Mayor this year. She acknowledged his long-term involvement and interest in borough affairs, which allowed him to make a seamless transition from EAC chairperson to Mayor. Mrs. Sable wished everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

MR. MARWAH – Mr. Marwah congratulated Martha Creese and Mayor Kipp for their exemplary work for the borough. Mr. Marwah recognized all borough employees, noting that the borough has one of the best staffs. He has been an employer for the last 25 years, and he has not experienced this kind of dedication to their work. Mr. Marwah recognized the volunteer firemen, noting that they are doing an exceptional job. They are the best in this area. Mr. Marwah noted that the Local Services Tax has been approved and he was, and is, opposed to it. Mr. Marwah commented on the Allegheny County reassessments, noting that the County will be sending out letters to homeowners early next year. Mr. Marwah commented that Council had addressed all of the flooding issues in the borough over the past few years. He also commented on the Franklin Nursery Court Case and expressed some of his opinions regarding the case. Mr. Marwah wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

MR. HARTMAN – Mr. Hartman commented that the borough could not have picked anyone better than William Kipp to serve as interim Mayor. Mr. Hartman stated that Martha Creese served with the utmost decorum. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

BRENNAN MCGOVERN, JUNIOR COUNCILPERSON – Mr. McGovern thanked Martha Creese and Mayor Kipp for their dedicated service to the borough, noting that it was a pleasure to work with them and getting to know them. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas, a healthy holiday season and Happy New Year.

MRS. CREESE – Mrs. Creese responded to Mr. Marwah's comments regarding the Franklin Nursery Case. Mrs. Creese noted that when she was appointed to Borough Council in May of 2005 her goals were to maintain the highest standards of civic and fiscal responsibility while improving the quality of life for residents. She highlighted some of the accomplishments of Borough Council: the development and approval of the borough's ten-year comprehensive plan, which resulted in the subdivision, land development and zoning ordinances; providing a more open and transparent government; improving communications with the borough staff and improving services to residents. She thanked everyone for giving her the opportunity to serve on Council, and she thanked her family, the staff and Councilmembers. Mrs. Creese wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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Mrs. Creese noted that Mayor Kipp's dedication to the office was inspirational. She congratulated Mayor-elect Dennis O'Keefe and Councilman-elect David Quatchak.

Mrs. Creese encouraged everyone to attend the Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 4th at 7:00 p.m. Borough resident Judge Judy Olson will swear in the newly elected officials.

Mrs. Creese commended Mr. Watenpool, Miss Morris and the entire Recreation Board for the very successful Lunch with Santa, despite the very icy conditions that morning. Mrs. Creese complimented Mr. Merriman and Chief Dorsch for responding to the very bad road conditions that morning.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- Mr. Merriman noted that it was a pleasure working with Martha Creese and Mayor Kipp.
- He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

CHIEF OF POLICE

- Chief Dorsch thanked Mayor Kipp and noted that it was a pleasure to get to know him. Chief Dorsch also thanked Mayor Kipp for getting the police contract settled.
- Chief Dorsch noted that while Martha Creese was dealing with many borough issues, her grandson was serving in Iraq.
- Chief Dorsch wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ZONING OFFICER

- Mr. Phillips noted that Martha Creese was a good friend and advocate to staff. It was a pleasure working with her, and she will be missed by everyone. Mr. Phillips welcomed Mayor Kipp back to the EAC. He congratulated Ken Wise on his appointment to the police department.
- Mr. Phillips wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

ASSISTANT PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Miss Morris reported that the Seniors luncheon was held last Thursday and the Lunch with Santa was held on Sunday.
- The Winter Bonfire will be held in January in Blueberry Hill Park.
- Miss Morris noted that Mayor Kipp did a wonderful job during the transition into the Mayor's position, and he seemed to enjoy the position.
- Miss Morris noted that Martha Creese has served with such poise and grace.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

- Mr. Watenpool thanked Martha Creese for the support she has shown to the parks department.
- Mr. Watenpool noted that he enjoyed working with Mayor Kipp, and he looks forward to working with him on EAC issues in the parks.
- Mr. Watenpool wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT/MANAGER

- Mr. Schweitzer noted that Mayor Kipp showed integrity and dedication while serving as Mayor.
- Mr. Schweitzer noted that Martha Creese has integrity and he has complete respect for her. He expressed his heartfelt appreciation for the support of the staff.
- Mr. Schweitzer wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Bryan Hogg, 2528 Shellburne Drive – Mr. Hogg was the borough's former Junior Councilperson. He thanked Mayor Kipp for making a smooth transition and assuming the responsibilities of Mayor. Mr. Hogg noted that Mrs. Creese kept her poise and led the borough and Council with dignity and determination. Mr. Hogg thanked both Mrs. Creese and Mayor Kipp for their service to the borough, and for the lessons they taught him while he was the Junior Councilperson.

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Mr. Jim Lawrence, 2604 Fountain Hills Drive – Mr. Lawrence noted that Mrs. Creese always characterized herself and Council very professionally, and he thanked her again for her service.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Marwah moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sable and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Krummert
Borough Secretary

Audience Present - 87