

December 1, 2008 Council Meeting Minutes

The December 1st meeting of the Penn Hills Council was called to order at 7:40 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, Mayor Anthony L. DeLuca presiding.

Approval of Agenda Items

The Mayor announced that Item No. 6. a. Appointments were being deleted from the agenda. There were no other changes and the agenda was approved as amended.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council and the audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Roll was called and the following members of Council responded:

Present: Dr. Kincaid
Mrs. Kuhn
Mr. Palumbo
Mr. Underwood
Mayor DeLuca

Also present were: Manager Van Horne, Assistant Solicitor Racunas, Gateway Engineer Minsterman, Controller Sciulli, Finance Director Schrecengost, Planning Director Davidson and Deputy Clerk Fitzhenry.

EXPENDITURES

Approval of Warrants

Dr. Kincaid made a motion to approve the Master Expenditure Summary dated December 1, 2008 including Journal Vouchers numbering 0 in the amount of \$ -0-; C.D. Requisitions numbering 20 in the amount of \$21,616.24; and Master Check Nos. 9477 to 9615 in the amount of \$1,234,006.02, making a grand total of \$1,255,622.26.

Mr. Palumbo seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0, except Check Nos. 9489, 9495, 9574, 9497 9578, 9508 and 9511, which were approved by a vote of 4 to 1, Mr. Underwood being the negative vote.

Resolutions

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2008-064** retaining H-T Capital Markets, Investment Banker.

Mrs. Kuhn seconded the motion

Mr. Chris Shelby and Mr. Chip McCarthy were both present in the audience to respond to questions by both Council and the audience.

Mayor DeLuca asked Mr. Shelby to give a brief explanation of the resolution on the agenda.

Mr. Shelby explained how this analysis typically works and the fees associated with any final determination and agreement by Council.

Mr. Don Sanker asked questions specific to the fees being paid to H-T Capital for their services, etc.

Mr. Shelby responded to the questions.

Roll was called and the motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Dr. Kincaid made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2008-065**, **Resolution No. 2008-066** and **Resolution No. 2008-067** approving the acquisition and subsequent disposition of vacant property in accordance with the Allegheny County Vacant Property Recovery Program and providing assurance that acquisition is consistent with the Penn Hills Comprehensive Plan.

Resolution No. 2008-065 pertained to property located at 7252 Travella Boulevard, Lot and Block Nos. 172-S-7 and 172-S-9; Resolution No. 2009-066 pertained to property located at 7287 Mount Carmel Road, Lot and Block No. 173-C-267; and Resolution No. 2008-067 pertained to property located at 7450 Chadwick Street, Lot and Block Nos. 173-M-291, 173-M-294, 173-M-295 and 173-M-296.

Mrs. Kuhn seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Resolutions (Continued)

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2008-068** authorizing the Municipality of Penn Hills to extend the lease agreement with the Lincoln Park Community Center for space for the Penn Hills Satellite Library for an additional year under the same terms and conditions as provided in Article V of the existing lease approved by Resolution No. 2008-015 of March 5, 2008.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Mrs. Kuhn made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2008-069** authorizing a change order to Smeltzer Construction, Inc., for the Senior Center Renovations – General Work, Contract No. 08-053 in the amount of \$1,790.00.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

Items for Consideration

Appointments were deleted at beginning of the agenda.

Introductions of Ordinances, Resolutions, etc.

Council had no legislation to introduce at this time.

REPORTS – Mayor, Council, Manager, etc.

Mayor DeLuca reported that the first budget hearing would be held on Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. and Light-up Night is scheduled for Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. with Santa Claus. He noted it would also be the opening night for the Police Train Display.

NOTE: Mayor DeLuca announced that Council would hold a brief Executive Session following the adjournment of the meeting to discuss Personnel Issues.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Dr. Kincaid made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Adjournment (Continued)

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion to adjourn and it was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Diane Gionta Fitzhenry
Deputy Municipal Clerk

These minutes approved by Mayor and Council on April 6, 2009.