

**December 21, 2009 Council Meeting Minutes
and Discussion Session 7:30 P.M. – Council Chambers**

Sara Kuhn started meeting at 7:40 P.M.

Approval of Agenda – 7 items for considerations appointments will be deleted and the rest of the agenda will stand.

Sara Kuhn asked before we say Pledge of Allegiance that on Sunday December 6, 2009 our community and our police department suffered a devastating loss in the senseless and heartbreaking death of Police Office Michael Crawshaw. After Pledge of Allegiance, I would like everyone to have a moment of silence for Officer Crawshaw, his family and his loved ones, our entire police department, for their families and loved ones also. On that we will stand for the pledge.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

PRESENT: Mrs. Kuhn
Mr. Palumbo
Mr. Underwood
Mayor Deluca – not present - conflict on scheduling
Dr. Kincaid

Also present Manager Moe Rayan, Planning Director Howard Davidson, Deputy Clerk Diane Fitzhenry, Solicitor Bonnie Brimmeier, Controller Theresa Sciulli and Administration Secretary Maureen Sorce.

Motion for approval for November 16, 2009 Council Meeting and December 2, 2009 Budget Hearing Minutes.

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve minutes for November 16, 2009 Council Meeting Minutes and December 2, 2009 Budget Hearing Minutes.

Dr. Kincaid seconded approval and was a 4-0 vote.

Roll Call

Mr. Palumbo – Abstain – Not Present for November 16, 2009
Mr. Underwood – Yes
Dr. Kincaid – Abstain
Mrs. Kuhn – Yes on November 16, 2009 – Abstain – Not present for December 2, 2009 Meeting

Will have to go on next Council Meeting did not have adequate approval.

Motion to approve Master Expenditure Summary for Dec. 7, 2009

Dr. Kincaid motion for approval of Expenditures – approval of Warrants – December 7, 2009, Journal Vouchers - 1 in the amount of \$493,880.85 C.D. Requisition – 6 in the amount of \$7,639.29 and Master – 12939-13075 in the amount of \$1,059,248.50 making Grand Total of \$1,560,768.64

Mr. Underwood seconded motion and it was approved 4-0 vote.

Roll Call

Mr. Underwood – Yes

Dr. Kincaid – Yes

Mrs. Kuhn – Abstain from check #13001 & \$13002 – Don Kuhn – yes on all other

Mr. Palumbo – Yes

Motion for Master Expenditures Summary dated December 21, 2009.

Mr. Underwood made motion to approve December 21, 2009 Journal Vouchers – 7 in the amount of \$ 3,187,563.94, C.D. Requisitions – 11 in the amount of \$10,752.29 and Master 13076-13212 in the amount of \$831,096.19 for a Grand Total of \$4,029,412.42.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion and it was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Mickey O’Conner – 1095 Maple Avenue – How much have we paid Gateway Engineers so far this year? Ed will get answer for you. Monitoring the 4 Million Dollar Project. Some of the Miscellaneous engineering, sold homes, Public Works, GIS Work, Part of Consent Decree, Phase I Sewer Project \$11,000.00, Long Road, Dye Testing is part of Consent Order.

Sara also wants engineering fee to be monitored, because Engineering fees are quite high.

Roll Call

Dr. Kincaid – Yes

Mrs. Kuhn – Yes

Mr. Palumbo - Yes

Mr. Underwood – Yes

Motion for Resolution #2009-094

Dr. Kincaid move for approval of Resolution #009-094 awarding a contract to Matson Environmental Professional Services related to the Penn Hills EECEBG Grant.

Mr. Underwood seconded motion and it was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Mickey O'Conner - What study is it? Howard Davidson explains that we are hiring consultants to do an Engineering Study for the Municipality because we are going to receive a grant for \$182-184,000.00. Those are the conditions of that grant. Federal Government requires it. They are going to take a look at any way we spend money on energy, grant applications, street lights, traffic lights etc. Applications from 5-6 firms, Matson was clearly best of the bunch.

Mr. Underwood - Some of our lights are currently LED's and this helps us out on this grant. We continue to look green. Intent of Council is to convert other street lights in the future.

Sarah asked how close we are to getting the grant. Howard Davidson said we already have the grant.

Roll call

Dr. Kincaid - Yes

Mrs. Kuhn - Yes

Mr. Palumbo - Yes

Mr. Underwood - Yes

Motion for Resolution #2009-095

Mr. Underwood made motion to approve Resolution 2009-095 authorizing the acquisition and disposition of property on Buchannon Road LB 295-M-357 under the County Vacant Property Program.

Dr. Kincaid seconded motion and the Resolution was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Roll Call

Mrs. Kuhn - Yes
Mr. Palumbo - Yes
Mr. Underwood - Yes
Dr. Kincaid - Yes

Motion for Resolution #2009-096

Mr. Palumbo made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2009-096 adopting the Stand Together! Act Responsibility! (S.T.A.R.) Project.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion and Resolution was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Underwood said it is a great program and hopes it has a fantastic success through the school district as well as bring up the ranks of childhood, so things do approve.

Sara talked about Dennis Lynch was to be present at the December 7, 2009 Meeting which was cancelled and was not able to come tonight. His presentation at school was remarkable. Our Municipality was first to have it throughout the community.

Roll Call

Mr. Palumbo – Yes
Mr. Underwood - Yes
Dr. Kincaid - Yes
Mrs. Kuhn - Yes

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-097.

Dr. Kincaid move the approval of Resolution No. 2009-097 awarding a contract to Gateway Engineers for Professional Engineering Services related to the Penn Hills CD Program.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion and the Resolution was approved 4-0 vote.

Mickey O’Conner – How many various proposals? – Howard Davidson said about 7.
Already doing engineering for our Capital projects, CD work for us and we have no serious issues with them.

Roll Call

Mr. Underwood - Yes
Dr. Kincaid - Yes
Mrs. Kuhn - Yes
Mr. Palumbo - Yes

Reports

Mr. Underwood wanted Diane Fitzhenry to talk about letters received in Council packets from people in/out of Municipality. Sara appreciated the people who thanked our Medics. Diane read letters about our medics and what a great job they did.

Sara read letter that came in Council's packets from City Council, City of Pittsburgh, about Police Officer Crawshaw. All members of City Council signed it. Sara thanked all the people of Penn Hills and all the wonderful expression of caring and respect that our Police Department received, it was well felt through our whole Police Department. Keep all of them in your prayers.

Moe Rayan – Wanted to commend Public Works Road Department on an outstanding job starting at 11:45 Friday Night through Sunday Morning. Town looked good through snow removal operation.

Sara agreed and thanked public works. Sara said to give applause to our Manager because he came from Public Works and every morning still is there at 7:00 in morning.

Hold executive session after meeting.

Diane Fitzhenry asked Council about summer meetings for the Calendar. Everyone was in agreement for 2 meetings during summer. for calendar.

Motion for Adjournment: 8:04 p.m.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion for adjournment at 8:04 pm.