

## **APRIL 6, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

The April 6, 2015 Council Meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor Anthony DeLuca presiding.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor DeLuca – Good Evening, we will call this meeting to order. The Agenda will stand as presented. Will you please stand for The Pledge of Allegiance?

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All stood for The Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

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

Also present were Secretary Sorce, Finance Director Schrecengost, Planning Director Blackwell, Controller Futules and Solicitor Dice.

### **PROCLAMATION**

Mayor DeLuca – first we have a Proclamation to Te'Shan Campbell. Te'Shan do you want to come up. He is our State Champ at 170 lbs. for Wrestling. I personally want to congratulate you for doing a great job. I don't know if anyone knows the commitment that wrestlers have during the wrestling season, they do their school work and then they go to at least probably like two practices a day during the season it is just a great accomplishment and it is great for Penn Hills because I think the last State Champ was probably back in the 80's

Te'Shan Campbell – 91

Mayor DeLuca – 91, do you remember who it was, was it John Dasta?

Te'Shan Campbell – Mike Kray

Mayor DeLuca – Mike Kray, so it has been a long time so it is fantastic. I am going to read this Proclamation.

Mayor DeLuca – Whereas, The Mayor & Council of The Penn Hills Municipality takes great pride in applauding Te'Shan Campbell for achieving an outstanding 36 wins, 0 losses in his Senior Year in wrestling at Penn Hills Senior High School; and, Whereas, Te'Shan Campbell will be a 2015 Penn Hills High School Graduate; and, Whereas, Te'Shan Campbell was a 2-time Allegheny County Champion in wrestling; a 2015 AAA Section Champion; a 2015 AAA WPIAL Champion and a AAA PIAA Champion; and, Whereas, a striking example of pride, enthusiasm, dedication and hard work has been brought to our attention by the achievements of Te'Shan Campbell; and, Now, therefore, I, Anthony L. DeLuca, Mayor of the Municipality of Penn Hills on behalf of the Council and all of our residents do hereby recognize and commend Te'Shan Campbell on all his achievements and congratulate and commend his parents on their persistence, love and guidance over the years; in witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of The Municipality of Penn Hills on this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2015, signed Anthony L. DeLuca, Mayor.

Mrs. Kuhn – I just want to say what a proud moment for you and your family and for Penn Hills. You did us proud so thank you and as anyone would know the Mayor knows the commitment it takes to be a wrestler and not only on your part but on your Mom and Dad and Family also, so congratulations honey it was a wonderful wonderful achievement.

Te'Shan Campbell – thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – and I just want to say during the State Championship I was like checking out the brackets to see how you were doing during the contest.

Te'Shan Campbell taking pictures with Mayor and Council.

## **MINUTES**

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 16, 2015.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion.

Mrs. Kuhn abstained she was not in attendance.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.

## **EXPENDITURES**

Dr. Kincaid made a motion to approve the Expenditures dated April 6, 2015. Journal Vouchers 0 - \$0.00, C.D. Requisitions 14 - \$12,646.71, Checks Numbering 30573 – 30765 - \$1,203,673.91 making a Grand Total of \$1,216,320.62.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion.

Mrs. Kuhn – with Moe not being here I don't know if Ed would know or not but on Page 3 Ed we had our salt and I know that with the terrible winter that we had that we were really straining the Budget and I was just wondering if you knew, if not, you can just ask Moe if he could get it for me, where we are Budget wise because everyone thinks the winter is over and it is except we have November and December that still comes out

Ed Schrecengost – we used all the liquid fuels money and left the General Fund.

Mrs. Kuhn – o.k. so we still have funding for it. Thanks Ed. And the other thing is on page 13 – 30645 is Keystone. I know Mayor you and I talked about this briefly right before the meeting but I had some issues with residents and Keystone Collections and I called up at the Municipality and Maureen was very helpful to me and got me all the information and we got the situation resolved but it appears that Keystone is calling the Municipality and sending the people to call The Municipality for questions and that is not our administrations job to be doing when they are receiving payment for it.

Mayor DeLuca – yes and I agree with you and when the Manager gets back we are going to have to talk to him about that and see if we want to retain Keystone for the Real Estate Taxes.

Mrs. Kuhn – I do think we need to look into that because it was very very disappointing to me and Maureen again I want to thank you you were so very helpful.

Maureen – thank you.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Mrs. Kuhn abstained from Check No. 30747 to Don Kuhn Auto Body for \$600.00 for Rental and yes to all others.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Palumbo made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2015-019** incorporating various Traffic and Parking Regulations in accordance with Recommendations from The Traffic Safety Committee.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion.

Mayor DeLuca – just to let you know this is going to be putting a stop sign at both sides of Hulton Road down by Sunoco there.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Palumbo made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2015-020** authorizing The Submittal of A Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grant Application to The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for Accessibility and Recreation Improvements at Universal Park and Turner-Friendship Park.

Dr. Kincaid seconded the motion.

Mayor DeLuca – this project here if we get the Grant will be for a uni-sex restroom installed at Universal Park and a Pavilion installed at Friendship Park.

Mrs. Kuhn – I hope we do get this Grant because both those parks are used by many of our residents and I know that many people from Plum Boro use the Universal Park and they always make a comment on how nice it is so it speaks well for Penn Hills. My only question is on Number 7 whereas that the \$50,000 local match will be available to accomplish the proposed project. I am assuming that if the Grant is for \$100,000 and they give \$50,000 and then we have to give it \$50,000 match, is that correct?

Chris Blackwell – yes that is correct.

Mrs. Kuhn – and if you look at Number 9 whereas it has The Municipality of Penn Hills acknowledges the responsibility to annually budget funds for maintenance operation of the project site and facilities, so I am assuming this money is budgeted in our 2015 budget?

Chris Blackwell – we really are proposing it for 2016. We apply now. John Scaglione had come to me and said to me and I guess he had been budgeting \$50,000 and putting it in his budget so my intent is to double the money so sort of like I think we should make the best effort to always go after more so I told him if I could double it what would you want and then we talked about expanding the project so that is the idea.

Mrs. Kuhn – well that is great then because of the fact he has funds that he has been budgeting and then 2016 would be the budget that we actually would pass for this.

Chris Blackwell – that is correct.

Mrs. Kuhn – o.k. thanks Chris.

Chris Blackwell – and then right know he has money so we can say yes we have the money but you will be looking at this at another time. Thank you.

Dr. Kincaid – and the question I would have Chris, what is the history of successfully getting these Grants? Do you have any idea?

Chris Blackwell – yes actually we have always gotten them, we have been very successful. Really it is the match, we built the skate park with this Grant, put in football lighting at Friendship Park, we have done a lot of projects with this type of Grant, it is the match. If you have a \$200,000 project like the ball field lighting you had to come up with \$100,000. So I think that is always the issue. So in this case where you are already proposing it and that is what is on the table lets go for more.

Dr. Kincaid – that is a positive thing.

Chris Blackwell – yes.

Dr. Kincaid – o.k.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor DeLuca – before I go on to the next Resolution the Finance Director pointed out to me I thought the Resolution for the stop sign was at Zozos but it is not it is at Old Hulton Road. I know we did talk about the one at Zozos.

Mrs. Kuhn – it is when you go down by Penn Hills Baseball Park. (Milltown) I think they use it more as a short cut.

Dr. Kincaid – so is this going to be a four way stop then?

Mayor DeLuca – no a two way down on Hulton. Right Ed.

Ed Schrecengost – yes.

Dr. Kincaid – I know where it is now, thank you.

Mayor DeLuca – but we will still work on that one where Zozos is.

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve **Resolution 2015-021** authorizing The Manager of The Municipality to be The Designated Official to Sign and Complete The Grant Agreement with The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Green Light-Go Pennsylvania's Municipal Partnership Program.

Mr. Palumbo seconded the motion.

Mayor DeLuca – this is upgrading the traffic and pedestrian signals at Rodi, Purity, Saltsburg and Universal and Saltsburg and Stotler Roads.

Mrs. Kuhn – again I think this is a good project and I am glad that it is on so many streets but again I am just asking about the last whereas The Municipality of Penn Hills is assessed what administrative, cash, and/or non-cash needs would be required to provide the local match because this is another match where it is \$20,000 and The Municipality would have to come up with \$10,000 and it says we do have the capacity to proceed with this project so I am assuming the funds are available.

Chris Blackwell – yes that is my understanding. Meg Balsamico prepared this Grant really quickly because the deadline was approaching really fast and Moe had asked her to do it and so we got it and it is another good thing about doubling your money.

Mrs. Kuhn – thanks Chris.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

### **ORDINANCES**

Mr. Palumbo made a motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2015-2575** approving The Editing and Inclusion of Local Legislation Incorporated into The Codified Ordinances of The Municipality and to Approve, Adopt and Enact New Matter in The Codified Ordinances.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion the motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Mayor DeLuca – is that you Chris?

Chris Blackwell – yes it is funny I put that in a memo to Moe just too kind of tell him what I am doing. I don't know if this is the correct forum but I just wanted to let you know that the consultants that we hired for CDBG they did have meetings both here and in the Planning Department Office and they were very successful, the Consultants were very pleased with everybody that came and spoke whether it be Municipal Department Heads or Citizens so I think it was really worthwhile and I just wanted to let you know that it is going very well. Thank you.

### **REPORTS**

Mayor DeLuca – I have two quick ones. I went to the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday and it was very well attended in Penn Hills Park. We probably had around 300 kids down there for the Easter Egg Hunt so it was a very good turnout and the day was beautiful.

Also Auto Tag and Notary in the Penn Hills Shopping Center is having a contest they are asking this is for \$40.00 off a tuxedo for boys they submit an essay I will be judging the essays for Penn Hills and the Mayor of Monroeville will be judging the essays from Gateway and Te'Shan is you are going to the prom submit an essay. Help your parents out. So Auto Tag and Notary is putting that together.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor DeLuca entertained a motion to adjourn.

Dr. Kincaid made a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Underwood seconded the motion.

Mayor DeLuca – this meeting is adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 P.M.

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MAUREEN M. SORCE  
MANAGER'S SECRETARY