

JUNE 4, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Mayor Kuhn - Good evening everyone It being close to 7:35 I will make the announcement that we are going to have an amendment to the Agenda. The amendment is the EMS Contract will be placed on the Agenda for a vote for Mayor & Council tonight. With that the Agenda will stand as presented and if you could all stand for the Pledge of the Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Kuhn - The Agenda will be amended adding a Resolution for the EMS Contract.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Kuhn
Mr. Petrucci
Mr. Underwood
Deputy Mayor Sapp
Mr. Brodnicki

Also in attendance were Manager Rayan, Secretary Sorce, Finance Director Schrecengost, Planning Director Blackwell, Gateway Engineer Minsterman and Solicitor Alexander and also WPCD Director O'Grady.

Mayor Kuhn - To start the meeting off we are starting it off on a very positive action. Don Kuhn Auto Body had a Car Wash for contributions for the K-9 Unit for the Penn Hills Police Department. With us tonight is Officer Jason Bonace, his K-9 Kenzo, Donnie the 3rd, his wife Angel and their daughter Harper. They represent the third generation of Don Kuhn Auto Body and Harper represents the fourth. So if you want to come forward my husband has had some health problems so Donald and his wife Angel are now in charge of Don Kuhn Auto Body and this was Angel's idea and I thought it was a very good idea and it her way of saying thank you to the K-9 Units . They did want to make the announcement that the car wash itself brought in \$275.00 in donations and Don Kuhn Auto Body added the other \$125.00 to make it a \$400.00 donation. They took a picture. Audience clapped.

Moe Rayan - Make sure you feed that dog.

Officer Jason Bonace - I will.

Mayor Kuhn - Like I said that was 100% Angel's idea and she is planning on doing another one later on and possibly I think the donation for that one will go to The School District. We will make sure that everyone is aware of it and I do have to say there were so many people that did come and have their cars washed to show their support to our K-9. Thank you.

Mayor Kuhn - Next on the Agenda I have made some changes. Usually we go through all the business and then at the end we have the reports from Mayor and Council and the Manager to the audience but being that I know that this is a very large conversational situation with the fact that your Manager and my Manager Moe Rayan has decided to go back to his position of ten years ago as Public Works Director, so I asked Mr. Rayan this was my doing and I asked him if he could present a list of accomplishments that had taken place under his tenure. I will give a report afterwards but this is a very difficult time for Mayor & Council and for my Directors and Staff because of the fact each and every one of them has said to me how they will miss his direction and as I say to the public many times the residents of Penn Hills are very fortunate to have the Manager that we have and our Directors and Staff. It wasn't always that way. So after the Manager presents his report then I will present a short report afterwards so I will start out with my Manager Moe Rayan.

Moe Rayan - Thank you Mayor. Good Evening.

I want to address Mayor & Council, Department Directors, Staff, and Residents to clear the air about false accusations made about the Municipality of Penn Hills within the past nine months.

The false news that the Municipality is financially unstable is untrue. The false news about the operations of the Municipality is untrue. I want to set the record straight with facts and not with speculation and rumors.

The Municipality for the most part operates 24 hours 7 days a week. Police, Emergency Medical Services, Fire Departments, Department of Public Works, and the Department of Water Pollution stand ready to protect and serve, tend to residents medical needs, clear roads from snow and debris, and respond to sewer flooding concerns. Our Code Enforcement Department ensures that the buildings within the Municipality are Code compliant. The Fire Marshal investigates fire scenes and prosecutes arsonists. The Planning Department, Finance Department, Administration, Library, and Senior Services Center serve the residents of Penn Hills daily. I commend the Department Directors and Staff for all that they do to make Penn Hills a better place to live. Look around the room and you will find the Municipal Department Directors that along with Staff have hundreds of years of experience and knowledge on the unique operations of this Municipality.

The Municipality is financially better on June 4, 2018 than it was on June 4, 2009.

The Municipality of Penn Hills has a Standard and Poor Rating of AA-. This means that Penn Hills is very likely to repay any debt incurred. We could have a better rating assigned if according to the Underwriters we were willing to raise taxes. Penn Hills must generate adequate local revenues to match expenditures.

When I became Manager in 2009 the projected year-end balance was \$69,000.00 we ended the year at \$1,464,124. In 2009, the projected year end sewer fund balance was \$1,201,702 at the end of 2009 we ended up with an actual sewer fund balance of \$5,083,490.

It did not take a magician to make this happen; it happened because of good financial management. We budget for flat state aid and look back at five years of historical data when drafting the budget. Our budgets are realistic. Mayor, Council, and residents you are lucky to have a staff of people who are watching our money and spending responsibly. We looked at the debt and restructured it, and as a result of cutting expenditures we ended up with an additional 4 million than projected.

The Finance Director monitors revenues and expenditures on a daily basis. A recap of weekly occurrences including financial data has been reported to Mayor and Council since February 2009.

2010

GF Projected Balance \$545,665	GF Actual Balance \$3,326,162
SF Projected Balance \$4,105,452	SF Actual Balance \$5,947,695

2011

GF Projected Balance \$2,653,924	GF Actual Balance \$4,439,851
SF Projected Balance \$4,807,871	SF Actual Balance \$5,806,640

2012

GF Projected Balance \$1,742,041	GF Actual Balance \$5,763,690
SF Projected Balance \$3,750,145	SF Actual Balance \$5,197,173

2013

GF Projected Balance \$3,181,654	GF Actual Balance \$7,105,154
SF Projected Balance \$3,128,034	SF Actual Balance \$4,087,571

2014

GF Projected Balance \$2,594,956	GF Actual Balance \$6,800,328
SF Projected Balance \$1,679,517	SF Actual Balance \$2,621,764

2015

GF Projected Balance \$2,176,661

GF Actual Balance \$6,465,878

SF Projected Balance \$484,651

SF Actual Balance \$1,280,369

2016

GF Projected Balance \$1,805,417

GF Actual Balance \$4,668,053

SF Projected Balance \$362,622

SF Actual Balance \$425,519

2017

GF Projected Balance \$1,186,639

GF Actual Balance \$4,157,728

SF Projected Balance \$343,449

SF Actual Balance \$2,261,058

2018

GF Projected Balance \$1,458,698

SF Projected Balance \$3,295,142

In 2010 the Sewer Debt Service was \$100,566,453; by 2018 it is down to \$60,241,116. The General Fund Debt Service in 2010 was at \$60,667,908 and in 2018 it is at \$50,676,392. This amount includes the 11 million borrowed for the new Municipal Building. In reality, 40 million has been shaved from the Sewer Fund and 20 million has been shaved from the General Fund.

Having significant financial stability for these past years enabled the Municipality to purchase through the general fund equipment, police vehicles, ambulances, cars for the Code Enforcement Officers, and equipment for the volunteer fire departments. We were able to hire personnel to fill vacancies. We paved roads and always had enough salt for the roadways during the winter months. All of this was done to the tune of \$10.1 Million.

The Municipality awarded sewer projects in upwards of 20 million dollars because of the sewer fund surplus. Therefore, complying with the Consent Order from the Department of Environmental Protection. We completed work specified in the Consent Order in 2016 without borrowing money and without raising sewer fees.

There is false news floating about that the new Municipal Building is millions over budget. The construction cost awarded for the building is \$12,853,000. We are not millions over budget, in fact, this project is \$30,000 under budget despite the extra we spend for a complete project. The original bid documents included an alternate bid for

an exhaust fan for the police firing range. However the alternate bid was not originally awarded to ensure that the project came in on budget. We have now added the exhaust fan for the police firing range at a cost of \$150K. In reality, the new Municipal Building would have been 180K under budget without the fan.

The Non-Police Pension has 97.5 % funded ratio; the Police has 70.1%. The Non Police Pension has \$16,252,111 in assets. We continue to monitor fees charged by investors to make sure that our pension funding is adequate. The Non-Police and the Police pensions are audited and have been found to be in compliance with Act 205.

The Municipal finances are audited annually by an independent auditor and are reviewed by the State.

HUD money used is audited annually.

Liquid fuel money is audited annually.

The Municipality is financially stable; money has not be misused. Financial reports are available and delineate spending, but no one has requested a copy; yet it is being reported that the Municipality is in financial trouble.

Most of the employees of the Municipality are covered by a Union Contract. In fact, there are six unions representing staff. Non-union workers average a three percent yearly increase over the past nine years. Union workers have averaged a three percent yearly increase over the same amount of time.

Every employee is paid bi-weekly and the retirees receive their pension monthly. Vendors and Contractors are paid upon receipt of their invoices. This shows that the Municipality is financially stable and able to pay to time.

What I have reported here is a rosy picture and some of you may be wondering why then am I leaving the position of Municipal Manager at the end of June. When I accepted this position it was agreed upon that there would be no political interference and no micro-management by Mayor or Council. In the first nine years there was never an attempt from a politician to interfere, there was never a false accusation made. People always took the time to get the facts. Nor was there any false information presented to the public. Again, people took the time to get the facts. However, in the past nine months politicians have not complied with the Home Rule Charter and have attempted to interfere with personnel management and in the daily operations of the Municipality. Therefore, the atmosphere I have been working under has become a political arena and I no longer feel that I can do the job as I see fit to continue to move the Municipality forward .

Mayor , thank you for allowing me the time to present the facts to you, Council, the staff, and the residents. I sincerely hope that this clears up the false news that has been circulating the Municipality recently.

Respectfully, Mohammed Rayan, Municipal Manager

Mayor Kuhn - As I stated that was at my request not at the Manager's request. It was to show the public especially the media and any social media where Penn Hills is today and where Penn Hills was nine years plus when the Manager took his position. Now I just have a few statements to make here. This is a very difficult time for me because of the fact that I have worked with Moe the twelve years I was on Council and the two years that I have served as Mayor. What some individuals and there are only a few, truthfully our residents are very good people in Penn Hills. I am out there I have been out there for fourteen years and our residents are very fair and they are very honest and hard working. Unfortunately, we don't hear their voices all the time. The voices that we hear mainly come from social media because of the fact that they don't even come to our meetings which I have always been more than fair giving them time to speak and to address any questions and any problems they see and any concerns that they have this isn't their forum to do and unfortunately they choose to do it on social media and I assuming the only reason that they do is because of the fact they can't be then not challenged they can't have someone who is saying directly to them know that is wrong this is the fact so you have to realize that when you are on Mayor and Council this is a very serious situation this isn't an if you are on PTA or if you on the church board member or any committees that we have you have five people representing 40,000 plus residents and this is a serious business and everyone who sits up here takes it very seriously. The only thing that I have ever asked of any of my Council is please don't play to the audience because of the fact we do not represent the ten, forty, one hundred people that might come to a meeting we have to make our decisions based on what is the best for the entire Municipality. Now as far as the Manager's position as I stated with my Directors everyone of my Directors I state constantly I couldn't ask for any better Directors each of them are very good and very professional in their realm of Director of Code or Director of Planning all of my Directors. They have the knowledge that they need for that particular directorship that they hold. Now the Manager he has to have enough knowledge and the ability to control all of those Directors. This is a very serious position that you have under our charter we legislate and we are in charge of governing but the Manager is in charge of the day to day running of the Municipality so I can speak because of the fact I was here back in the day and I was here when it wasn't the Mayor and Council that you have today. It was run by politicians and the Manager was run by politicians. This is not what you have here today. That is not who you are and that is not who we represent and neither was it when Mayor Anthony Deluca, Jr. was the Mayor. The Manager as he has just stated he has to be able to meet with County, State, Federal and he has to meet with personnel to have a staff of hundreds who are representing their position legally and he has to go into those rooms and he has to negotiate what is the best for Penn Hills. That is not an easy task to do and that is not a task that everybody is able to do. Also with the negotiations on the Agenda tonight we will have I believe it will be three contracts that have been ratified by our employees. That didn't come by automatically that came by from long hard negotiations. Negotiations that the Manager handles to be fair to our employees but also to be fair to our taxpayers whose money it is that pays those employees. You can't just be a yes man if you are a Manager of the Municipality of Penn Hills. You have to be able to take the hits and you have to be able to stand

strong. That is not something that comes just automatically. I know there a lot of figures given tonight but there is no way you will remember all of them or any of them but what you will remember is every one that was stated shows that under the leadership of Manager Moe Rayan our Municipality has thrived from years of where it was failing and that comes from the head and as I say Mayor and Council we do approve all the expenditures but we don't have offices up there, we don't go to the meetings, that is all done by the Manager and those are very important things that have to be done. On a personal level, our Manager Moe Rayan did not come before Mayor DeLuca and the Council at that time and say I am putting my resume in for the Manager's position. He never did that. He never came up and he didn't give a resume. That is not what he did. He was very happy in his position as the Public Works Director and he was very good at it, but let me explain to you how this came about. We came in when I came in 2004 we had a Manager who was from I am not going to give names I am just going to say that we had a Manager and unfortunately he took his direction from Mayor and Council and not his own. So he did not last very long so then when he left we had to pull our Financial Director Ed Schrecengost in as the Acting Manager then we hired someone who was in charge of the Game and Fish Commission and his resume was very good and we all felt well he could manage billion dollar well maybe not billion but multi-million dollar budget then he should be able to handle Penn Hills unfortunately when he came he felt that he was still running with a budget that he had from the State and that just didn't work because of the fact we only had limited funds to control what needed to be done in Penn Hills so there again Mr. Schrecengost stepped up to the plate and came in as the Acting Manager. Then we had a Manager's resume and that Manager was in charge of a smaller community but was in charge of the Police Department, the Code Enforcement, the Public Works so we thought well that would be good because that person is going to be familiar with everything that we have with our working employees. That Manager worked very hard but unfortunately was unable to complete any items that came up . Like I said the Manager worked very hard that was here every day but she could not close the deals so once again we were in search of a Manager and once again my Finance Director came to the plate and he became the Acting Manager and then we hired a Manager who was also a Solicitor and at that time the Solicitor fees for The Municipality were completely outrageous so we thought this is good we will save money because he is the Solicitor. Well I am not saying any names but I will tell you that there would be employees who went up to the Manager's Office and he would be asleep at his desk. When I would have meetings with the Manager and with people from the State he would be holding up a piece of paper and yawning behind it. So once again he was dismissed. Now the media all over Penn Hills has had ten Managers or eight Managers within three year periods. Now of course that is because they counted every time my Financial Director came in as Acting Manager but that wasn't stated it was just stated we had gone through x number of Managers because that is what sells papers and headlines. So when we put out again for resumes for the Manager's position we received none. We had what they call head hunters looking and their remark came back that no one wanted to come into Penn Hills because of the political arena and because of the fact they had to move into Penn Hills. Now we went to the well too many times. Ed and his wife both said he is not taking it

again. He can't be the Acting Manager and the Financial Director. I was on my hands and knees crying but Maryann's answer was no so now we are with no Manager. So it was the Mayor Anthony DeLuca who approached Moe Rayan at Public Works. He asked if he would come in as Acting Manager for us because we had no one. Moe said I would have to talk this over with my wife, I have to think about it, I like where I am at and once again we were pleading with him and upon that he stated he would accept being Acting Manager. Now the climate that we had in Penn Hills one cannot ask someone to give up their position as Public Works Director where he was secure. He was vested and making the monetary money that he needed for him and his family. So how do you ask someone to give that up to become the Manager in the climate that we have. So after he was Acting Manager for so long we asked him to become the regular Manager and we made up a contract. Now I know everybody is going to be oh my goodness why did you do this, why did you do that. Well let me tell you something. Mrs. Sapp, Deputy Mayor Sapp she wasn't involved in that contract, Councilman Petrucci wasn't involved in that contract, Councilman Mark Brodnicki he wasn't involved in that contract. I was involved in that contract as Deputy Mayor. So anyone who wants to make any comments regarding that contract and why there was a severance pay in it and why there was an agreement that if for any reason without cause the Manager chooses to go back to the Public Works Director he was able to do that. Number one that was a smart move on his part because of the fact why would you take a chance to become a Manager of Penn Hills and then be left go in six months to a year and then be without a job. He didn't come to us we came to him. Best decision I ever made and if I had to make that decision again in this audience and I am not running any more for election but if it was on three months before I was running for an election and I had to make that decision again my decision would be the same as it was. Whatever his severance pay is Mr. Rayan has saved the Municipality hundreds of thousands of dollars throughout the nine years that he has been here. He is an engineer and he has saved us just one instance alone \$100,000 in engineering fees because of the fact he is an engineer and when he read what they were asking he knew to tell them no. He has saved this Municipality hundreds of thousands of dollars so whatever that severance pay is he deserves that and if anyone has any problem with it you can get on the Agenda next meeting give Maureen notice that you want to speak and you can come up and you can speak to me but my first question will be to you where were you nine years ago. Moe also is vested in Penn Hills. He has lived here and his family lives here and his children were raised here. We did not have to go out and bring someone in and then when they choose not to become a resident in a year's time have to have legal proceedings because of the fact they were trying to circumvent the situation by renting an apartment. We didn't have that with Mr. Rayan. Also, he has served as a volunteer Fireman at Number 7 for years. Very difficult to get our volunteer firemen to get volunteers to serve. That is the character that Mr. Rayan has. Will he be missed unbelievable. Not just by Mayor and Council but every one of his Directors and everyone of his staff. He has chosen to go back to Public Works which he has every right in the world to do. No one can make any comments regarding his decision. If you are unhappy with that decision then you are looking at the person who voted for it. With that being said we will miss him terribly but he has expressed to me that anytime Mayor

and Council needs him for any advice or any questions all we have to do is call. The other thing is our Manager every Friday, every Friday, whether he was leaving on vacation or whatever every Friday Mayor and Council receive a packet and the packet is everything that has taken place with his meetings, where they are, what the situation is, we receive it every single Friday. That was initiated by Manager Rayan and we had never received anything like that in previous years. Those are my comments, if Council, I am not going to open it up to the audience like I said anyone who has any questions or comments please be put on the Agenda and we will speak at this time but this is a report and our reports are at the end of the meeting and we do not take comments on our reports so this isn't something that has been changed or different this is just something that is always the same other than the fact that I presented it at the beginning and not at the end so I am done with my comments. Does Council have any then be free to express them and then we will move on to the rest of the meeting? Honey do you have something. I got corrected by the Reverend last Council Meeting because I called him honey and not Reverend and like I tell everyone that is a terrible habit that I have and please forgive me.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - I just want to say thank you so much for all of your diligence and hard work that you put into this Municipality . I personally when I came on board as a Council Member you made me feel so confident and you made my job a lot easier. I felt secure and I felt that the Municipality was secure because you were here. I wish you well. God Bless You and if you have any recommendations for your position that you are leaving we certainly welcome them because we value what you have to say. Thank you again for your diligence.

John Petrucci - Mr. Rayan, I would like to thank you also for your service in the Community and you will be sorely missed and keep your phone on because I will be giving you some calls and asking you for some advice but yes you were a valuable asset to our organization here and you will be missed. Thank you.

Mr. Brodnicki - Moe I want to thank you for your service. The biggest compliment I guess that I could give you would be that I could trust what you said. I wish you well.

Gary Underwood - You and I go back through the years and I have been here twelve on Council and every time I needed to come to you and if I needed to find answers I would get them through you and like Sara said you are very smart and you went to college and you know what it needs to do the work that you have done and I appreciate you, so thank you. I will see you on the road.

Mayor Kuhn - And as I stated Moe is not leaving Penn Hills he is just moving from one position and going to the next and he has offered to be very helpful in our search for the position of Manager. Alright with that being said I have an appointment for The Shade Tree Commission. I am assuming that all Council Members received Chris Blackwell's comments, memos and so I wanted to put up the name of Rick Duncan. His resume is outstanding and he was thirty years as an archeologist and project manager. It goes on and on so I can't think of a better candidate and I also as I tell everyone Penn Hills is very fortunate to have such talent within its Municipality. Do I

have a Motion to accept Rick Duncan's resume for the Appointment to The Shade Tree Commission.

APPOINTMENT:

John Petrucci made a Motion to accept resume for the Appointment to The Shade Tree Commission.

Deputy Mayor Sapp seconded the motion.

Mr. Underwood - I have a question. Is he here tonight?

Mayor Kuhn - I don't know if he is in the audience. I don't believe so.

Mr. Underwood - O.K. He is not here so apparently he is not really wanting to be on The Shade Tree Commission.

Mayor Kuhn - I don't think that Gary. I don't even know if he was informed that he should be here and we make a lot of Appointments where they are not in the audience.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved by a 4-1 vote.

Mayor Kuhn - Moe if you could make a notation that when we have Appointments if we couldn't notified them if they would like to be in the audience it would be beneficial if they were.

MINUTES:

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve the **Minutes of May 7, 2018** Council Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - I wanted to make one comment with regards to the report where Councilman John Petrucci did represent at the Penn Hills Community Development Corporation but I was also there as well and some of the other Council Members.

Mayor Kuhn - Maureen can you insert that for us.

Maureen Sorce - Sure.

For Roll Call Mr. Underwood he abstained from approving the meeting minutes because I was not present for one of the meetings.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - I have read all of the minutes although I was not in attendance for that particular meeting but I say yes.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved by a 4 yes - 1 abstained.

Mayor Kuhn - Do I have a Motion for June 4, 2018 Expenditures?

EXPENDITURES

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve the **Expenditures of June 4, 2018**, C.D. Requisitions 11 - \$8,270.23, Master 40602 - 40813 - \$2,884,049.31 - Total \$2,892,319.54.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mayor Kuhn - Yes except on Check Number 40631 to Don Kuhn Auto Body and 40699 to Don Kuhn Auto Body and yes to all the others.

John Petrucci - No on Check Number 40631 and yes on all the others.

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

Mayor Kuhn - Do I have a Motion for Ordinance 2627 of 2018. Before I ask for the Motion the Motion that we are going to vote on first is to remove this Ordinance from being tabled. So Do I have Motion for it to be removed from being tabled?

ORDINANCES

Mr. Petrucci made a Motion to remove **Ordinance 2627 of 2018** from being tabled.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mayor Kuhn - Now do I have a Motion for **Ordinance 2627 of 2018**?

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Ordinance 2627 of 2018** - amending Ordinance No. 2420, The Municipality of Penn Hills Zoning Ordinance providing for a change in The Zoning District Category and Corresponding Zoning Map Change for the following property described below. Said Property is currently Zoned B-2, Community Business. The intent of this Ordinance is to change The Zoning of the Parcel to R-1, Single Family Residential, for the purpose of converting the existing building to a Church to be located at 12012 Frankstown Road.

Mayor Kuhn - Do I have a second?

Deputy Mayor Sapp seconded the Motion.

Mayor Kuhn - Any comment from the Audience? For those of you in the audience this was covered in detail at our last council meeting so being that there were only three council members present and this is of great importance we Tabled it until we had a full complement of Council people. Any comments?

Jerry Chiappinelli - 921 Cimarron Drive - I believe this Motion is on the rezoning of the church for a church to be put where Bottom Dollar was and become a non-taxable property in Penn Hills, is that correct Mayor?

Mayor Kuhn - Yes that is what it is.

Jerry Chiappinelli - So this is the old Bottom Dollar which is now owned by Aldi which generates tax for Penn Hills and the School District and become a non-taxable property and become a church, is that correct?

Mayor Kuhn - This came before Planning Jerry so you are familiar what it is, right so what it is is they are asking to bring in a church which is very badly needed in Penn Hills and they are bringing in a complex if I am not mistaken that is going to represent Health Care, Training, Education and a list of many things which you are familiar with because it was presented to you at the Planning Commission and the thing of it is for them to do that they are asking for a Zoning Change so it is the property located at right where we said at 12012 Frankstown Road which is the old Bottom Dollar which is now owned by Aldi. So that is what is on the Agenda tonight. They are requesting a Zoning Change for that property in order to have the facility that they want to bring in to Penn Hills.

Mr. Chiappinelli - I understand that. I did the investigation on that also. We checked out how much tax comes into Penn Hills. Right now you are paid approximately \$45,000 to \$50,000 in taxes on an empty building to Penn Hills. Some of it goes to the school district, some goes to the township. When it is operational it generates wage tax, business privilege tax, and if you go and you change that Ordinance to non-profit, it sounds good now and they don't have to pay any taxes but the people of Penn Hills will have to make that it up on taxable property because that property now generates no money. We recommended and we did it to other properties and churches for this church. The Assembly of God is what it is called and Planning and everyone else on the Commission offered to help find other properties that are not generating any tax for Penn Hills. Penn Hills Municipality and Penn Hills School District needs the money. We need the money and we need the jobs just like U-Pay and Pull brought in, as other businesses are bringing into Penn hills. If you take that property and you make it non-taxable and what if his finances fall through. Now if that falls through that property is still non-taxable and someone else will walk in and we will have

this game in Penn Hills just like with the liquor licenses. This town needs money and it is generated money and financially under Moe Rayan it has done a very good job. I have been around here only probably 40 years and I have watched different administrations fall and spend money for nothing and now we have a fiscally operating town. The Penn Hills Municipality is functioning very well so now we are going to say to the Penn Hills tax payers you are going to kick in money because we have a non-tax property. I don't agree with it and I think it should be voted against. There is plenty of property in Penn hills that is non-taxable and we suggested St. Bart's, it has an auditorium, it has a gym and a kitchen.

Mayor Kuhn - We were aware at the last meeting I was looking at our minutes there are ten paged typed minutes regarding our conversation with this zoning change and basically what you have stated plus much more information was already given and we already have had discussions with them and I know that I did ask Chris Blackwell if he would get in touch with them in the meantime between our last meeting and this meeting to show them the properties that they could use and also show them any vacant properties that we might have and he had done so and he has met with them, Chris do you want to go into that?

Chris Blackwell - Since the last meeting definitely prior to we recommended many properties and I think that we have suggested several properties. We have been very fair about our position.

Mayor Kuhn - Right so if I am not mistaken they had come into the Planning Department Office and you actually showed not just the properties that are available as far as churches and as far as schools but also the vacant properties that would be available to them, correct?

Chris Blackwell - Yes that is correct. The Municipality is 21 square miles and about 13,000 acres which means that probably 10, 11,000 of it is owned by residential. This is primarily a residential community and you can imagine there is a lot of vacant property not just this property but a lot of vacant property that would be suitable for this use.

Mayor Kuhn - Right and I know at the last meeting Councilman Petrucci also gave them an invitation that he would also take them around to show them other locations also and we are well aware of the taxes that come in from that and we are well aware that it is not only the real estate tax but the mercantile tax as well. Mayor & Council are fully aware of that and that was stated as I said in pages seven through 17 of our Minutes. We also discussed with them as we had said Chris would let us know that we are still collecting \$40,000 a year, is that correct Chris?

Chris Blackwell - Yes that is correct and it is about \$6,500 to the County so it is probably about \$6,500 to Penn Hills and then over four years \$40,000.00.

Mayor Kuhn - So we were well aware of that fact and that was addressed and we also explained to them even though the building is not in operation at this time and it has been vacant for three years that we had property from our Old Public Works Garage that sat vacant for five to eight years I believe Moe?

Moe Rayan - Six.

Mayor Kuhn - Six years and eventually we got someone there and it did generate all the taxes and also employment so that also was discussed at the last meeting. As I said the only reason it wasn't voted on wasn't because of the fact we didn't have that information it was because of the fact there was only three Council people representing and under the legalities of it if the vote would have come down to 2 - 1 it still would have failed because of the fact that it is not the majority of the Council that are representing it is the majority of the five so being that if they even would of had one then we didn't feel that was fair so we waited until the whole Council was here but we are well aware of all the situations and we all read the statements from the Planning Department, the statements from the Planning Commission and also what was stated in the Minutes we also explained to them that we heard from Ms. Pearce who is with Allegheny County Economic Development and the fact that she stated it was not what our Comprehensive Plan for Penn Hills has that would be what should go into that property. So yes we discussed that at length at the last meeting so we are well aware of all those factors.

Mr. Chiappinelli - Thank you Mayor and recently I did a survey of 250 citizens in Penn Hills and 87% did feel that they should not take money out of their own pocket to pay for a property.

Mayor Kuhn - I am sorry Mr. Chiappinelli they feel what?

Mr. Chiappinelli - They don't feel that they are in favor of taking a property off the tax rolls. If you remember correctly East Hills Shopping Center sat there for how long?

Mayor Kuhn - Really Mr. Chiappinelli ,I know we are all aware of all those facts and as far as the residents and the survey I did not have one call from any residents stating x to z on this. We even made the statement about the old Public Works.

Mr. Chiappinelli - Thank you Mayor and I would also like to compliment Moe Rayan on a fantastic job. I feel as if and I have been around for 40 years and I have watched the Mayors and Managers and political things here. Moe you did a fantastic job and we are going to miss you because you put stuff back in order and you have your eyes and ears open all the time and his office is always open to suggestions and criticisms. Thank you Moe. Appreciate it very much.

Pastor Lecocq - Honey.

Mayor Kuhn - And will I ever live it down.

Pastor Lecocq - Talked about the Top 10 Reasons to Say "Yes".

Dear Mayor & Council,

We are so grateful for the warm reception you have given us, as we make plans to launch a church campus and outreach center in Penn Hills! As you know, we are under contract with Aldi, attempting to purchase the former Bottom Dollar building on Frankstown Road. In order to use this property for our intended purpose, we have requested a Zoning Amendment.

At the May 7th meeting, we presented our intentions, and asked the Council to consider granting our request. The Council has many reasons to say "No." These reasons are valid, understandable, and consistent with the city's plans for economic development.

But in spite of those reasons, we are asking you to say "Yes."

Rather than make our entire presentation again, we've chosen to present to you this list of "Top 10 Reasons to say 'Yes'."

10. We will conduct ourselves in an honorable manner, and never give you a reason to be embarrassed by our actions.
9. Our ministry center will be a unique addition to the business corridor. It will be a site unlike anything else in town. You'll walk into the place, and be glad that you had a part in making it happen.
8. Pastor Lance makes the best chocolate chip cookies, and he will bring a big platter of them to Council's next meeting. (Note: If this would be interpreted as a "bribe," please disregard Item #8).
7. With last summer's closing of 3 Rivers Assembly of God, and Turner's subsequent purchase of that property, that 3-acre parcel was added to the tax roll. You could consider this move as a swap in that regard.
6. Several properties featuring large buildings are available, or will be soon. Could the city re-zone those properties to Business?
5. Taking the long view, the positive financial impact on the city could be very large. Consider the long term impact of healthy marriages, young people who stay in Penn Hills and get jobs, buy homes, etc.
4. The welcoming atmosphere and generous attitude of a ministry center like ours would foster love, acceptance and kindness, while helping to meet the tangible

needs of Penn Hills residents (food, clothing, school help, etc.). This would build bridges across all racial and socio-economic lines.

3. The clinic would provide free medical assistance for people without health insurance. The help that the clinic provides for families is wonderfully beneficial in a variety of ways.

And the Top 2 Reasons - We've got to go with Scripture itself.

2. ESTHER--God raises up people of Faith, and places them in strategic positions for significant moments. We believe He has done that with Penn Hills City Council Members of 2018. None of you are in those seats by accident, but you have been placed there by the Lord Himself for such a time as this.

(Ester 4:14)

NUMBER 1 REASON: The Colt

1. In the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 19, Jesus told His followers to go and obtain a Colt for Him to use while riding into Jerusalem. As they were untying it, people asked why? The answer was, The Lord needs it.

That answer was deemed sufficient.

The Lord needs the property located at 12012 Frankstown Road.

Please untie it for Him.

Mayor Kuhn - Thank you so much.

Dr. Beasley spoke on Church and all the things they offer.

Mayor Kuhn - As I stated at the previous meeting it is a very difficult decision for everyone who is sitting up here. Because I know myself as I have stated I am a woman of strong Faith and I know that in the long run we have to take care of our youth and not even our youth other people who have the same problems. So you look at the long term of say what if we don't want to put a dollar figure on someone who needs help and everyone on Council hoping that whatever the decision is tonight that you don't walk away from Penn Hills and even though we have to consider the tax residents we also have to consider that we the people we have to reach out to those who need the help and we also in the long run if we can save one child, two children, ten that helps too because of the fact that they aren't spending tax payers money on incarceration and having people's houses broken into and those types of things so is the need in Penn Hills, it is absolutely as it is throughout the United States of America. Unfortunately, as I stated you picked the heart of Penn Hills because that is our main artery and that is a

business district with the exception of the church across the street and we have to put our personnel beliefs aside and we have to make our decision based on what is best for the entire Community and residents and like I said the Planning Commission their recommendation which they just recommended to Mayor & Council and the final decision is ours. They recommend not to approve the re-zoning, our Planning Director he also gave a recommendation to Mayor and Council that he didn't believe that re-zoning should take place at that location and as I said the Economic Development from the County stated that they did not feel that if we re-zone that would be in line with our Codified Ordinances. It is a very difficult decision and I will tell you and the public I have not talked to one Council Member asking what their decision will be and none of them have contacted me on what their decision will be. So until the vote comes down we don't know for sure but I do know this whatever the outcome is I hope that we can all still work together to find a home for this endeavor. It might not be the old Bottom Dollar but let's work together to see if we can find something that Penn Hills can accommodate. Thank you very much.

Mr. Brodnicki - Just like I said last meeting if this doesn't work tonight for you please don't give up on Penn Hills.

Mayor Kuhn - O.K. that being said I know that our terminology has changed. When I ask for a vote if Council is in favor of the change

Craig Alexander - The motion on the floor is to approve the Ordinance which is to approve the change.

Mayor Kuhn - O.k. a yes vote is to approve and a no is not in favor.

Craig Alexander - Right.

Mayor Kuhn - Alright. Roll Call Maureen.

There being no further discussion the Motion was voted down with a 1-4 vote.

Mayor Kuhn - And as I said I hope that your vision wasn't just for that location. I hope your vision is for Penn Hills and that we can work together to find you a location that works for you and also Penn Hills. Thank you very much.

Chris Blackwell - Mayor if I might add?

Mayor Kuhn - For a minute there Chris I thought it was the Lord.

Chris Blackwell - To discuss what the role of a church might be. Besides helping to find another location may (in-audible).

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2628 of 2018** relating to Driveway Safety Zone.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

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

Mr. Underwood made a Motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2629 of 2018** no parking on Blackridge Avenue.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

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

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2630 of 2018** no parking on Parkway Avenue.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

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

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2631 of 2018** no parking on Hawthorne Avenue.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Underwood made a motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2632 of 2018** no parking on Gaywood Avenue.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2633 of 2018** no parking on southern Avenue.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Underwood made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-020** amending The Five Year Consolidated Plan and Community Development Block Grant Budget Years 41, 42 and 43.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

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

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-021** approving the Community Development Block Grant Program Action Plan, Home Program and Budget for 2018.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Underwood made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-022** awarding The Penn Hills Phase X 2018 Sewer Repair Contract A -- Excavation Contract in The Total Amount of \$430,741.00.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

Mr. Petrucci - Mr. Rayan maybe you could answer this question is this just being pro-active or does this need to be done right away?

Moe Rayan - All of the excavation contracts on the sewer lines that are televised they are graded and if they fall between the category of 4 or 5 that necessitates the need to repair the lines. Those lines were probably televised last year and viewed by the engineers and the department director and was determined to put in a contract this year for repairs.

Mr. Petrucci - What type of material is the pipe made out of?

Moe Rayan - These are old pipes they are terra cotta lines.

Mr. Petrucci - Thank you sir.

Mayor Kuhn - Just so the public is aware this Resolution and the next two are all pertaining to sewer related repairs. I just wanted to make the public and the media aware that if we totaled the three that we are voting on tonight the amount that is going to be spent for our repairs is \$886,436.00 so we are very close to doing another million dollar repair that is part of our mandates that we do to keep our sewer systems up to date so there are no violations, so that is a great deal of money so when anyone is

asking you or our Council Members or Maureen on the phone or our Manager as to why our sewer fees are so high and I just want to make everyone aware of the fact that we are also right now close to \$900,000.00 just on these three Resolutions and that we have not had to borrow to pay for any of the repairs and we have not had to raise the sewage rate last year either so this is where the money is going.

John Petrucci - I hear a lot of comments about sewage bills being high and the money that you see that we are taking in off the sewage bills \$9.85 and the \$30.00 service fee that is what this money goes towards. It goes to take care of the repairs that are desperately needed. There are 341 miles of sewage line in this old Community and these sewage lines were put in with terra cotta pipe that is why I asked Mr. Rayan to explain it to us and they need repaired. Over a period of time terra cotta collapses and that is where your money is being spent.

Mayor Kuhn - Thank you John. We try to educate the public because of the fact that those who don't attend the meetings on a regular basis don't realize what it costs to keep our sewers in compliance and we certainly don't want to go backwards to where we were many years ago when Penn Hills was put under Criminal Consent Decree. So we worked very hard to be able to come out from under that and through the Manager, Staff and Council have been able to have us go from Criminal Consent Decree to Consent Order to where now EPA and DEP are saying that Penn Hills has done such an excellent job that we are actually getting not under the watch but if we did not do all the mandates that are put on us for our sewers then we would be back in a problem so \$900,000.00 for three Resolutions of repairs is a great deal of money and as I said we are being pro-active instead of reactive and just for everyone's information the funding for this is from the Sewer Fund Consent Decree Compliance Account 08429456519 so there is no monies that we are borrowing to take care of this.

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

Deputy Mayor Sapp made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-023** awarding the Penn Hills Phase X 2018 Sewer Repair Contract B -- Lining Contract in the Total Amount of \$441,535.00.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mr. Petrucci - How many miles or how many feet I see linear feet of lines that are being done at this particular time?

Moe Rayan - I didn't add all the numbers together but you get more for your money when you do the lines that are less severe conditions of the piping and the other one that we need to excavate for are beyond the lining, however, as far as the number I am not sure but the Department Director is sitting here Tom do you have any idea?

Tom O'Grady - I didn't add them all up.

Rick Minsterman - It is approximately 11 to 12,000 feet.

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

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-024** awarding the Penn Hills Phase X 2019 Sewer Repair Contract C -- Jade Pump Station Forcemain Contract in the Total Amount of \$14,160.00.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

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

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-025** approving The 2019 through 2023 Labor Agreement between The Municipality of Penn Hills and The Teamsters Local 249 representing certain employees of The Department of Public Works and authorizing The Proper Municipal Officials to Execute Same.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mr. Petrucci - I am glad to see that we settled the last two contracts so just for the public's sake Mr. Rayan would you give us the high points of this contract negotiation?

Moe Rayan - The Public Works Department basically mirrored the old one. The Municipality and the Local 249 Teamsters thought that we had a good working document and they presented us requesting a three percent increase and we were able to negotiate a lesser increase with them and I believe it was 2.75, 2.50 and 2.50 and I apologize I don't have these figures but they were all between the 2.50 and the 2.75.

Mr. Petrucci - Thank you very much.

There being no further discussion the Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Kuhn - We have **Resolution 025 and 026 and 027** they are all regarding the negotiations for the ratification of the contracts between our Public Works, the next one would be for the Police and then finally the one that was added for the EMS. I just want to congratulate and thank the Manager and our Financial Director, Mr. Schrecengost and all those who were involved, the union leaders who worked hard for the negotiations for the staff members and as I said earlier our goal is to make sure that the people that work for us are being treated fairly and on the other side of that is also to make sure that we negotiate for the residents of Penn Hills whose tax dollars will be what pays for the actual decisions that are made so this is what is done and it takes a lot of time and a lot of give and take for both sides so once again I want to thank

everyone involved in the negotiations and it is always nice to see that our contracts our ratified and completed.

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

Mr. Underwood made a Motion to approve **Resolution 2018-026** approving The 2019 through 2022 Labor Agreement between The Municipality of Penn Hills and The Police Advisory Board and authorizing The Proper Municipal Officials to execute same.

Mr. Petrucci seconded the Motion.

Mr. Petrucci - Mr. Rayan could you give highlights on this one also?

Mr. Rayan - We were able to have several meetings with the Advisory Board and some of them are present here tonight and pleased to announce that we had meetings between the two parties and we were able to settle on wages lesser than what was presented and concessions on both sides were made and we were able to settle the Agreements from 2019 through 2022 respectively with 2-1/2%, 2-1/2% and 2%, 2%. We made the concession on the uniform allowance of course Police uniforms are not cheap but we were able to accommodate that as well with the increase for the allowance. (in audible)

John Petrucci - Thank you.

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

Mr. Brodnicki made a Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2018-027** approving the 2017 through 2020 Labor Agreement between the Municipality of Penn Hills and the IAFF Local 5167 representing employees of the Emergency Medical Services.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mr. Petrucci - Mr. Rayan would you give me some highlights about that one also please?

Moe Rayan - Sure this particular agreement it started some time ago and we started negotiations back in January of 2017. Some people left the unit and changes in the union leadership so we were able to come to a conclusion here recently in the past half a dozen meetings. We were able to make concession on our part and certainly the EMS Department made concessions as well. We ended up with the wages and we ended up with a contract from 2017 to 2021 a four year agreement. 2017 respectfully there was no increase presented and it was agreed upon and in 2018 it was agreed upon a three percent increase and 2019 a three percent increase and 2020 2.75. Other concessions were made with the staffing and we were able to make agreement with the bargaining units allowing the Municipality to have a little bit of flexibility in terms of

staffing the ambulances with people from part time and other folks within the units in addition to the full time people and also we made an agreement to try and minimize the over time both sides agreed upon. We take pride in our employees so we agreed to the longevity reimbursement and we increased that by \$10.00 per year. Again it is a manageable document and we feel that we are fair to our employees and the employees felt the same about the Municipality on how they were being treated.

John Petrucci - Thank you Mr. Rayan and with all your help on all of these contracts.

Mayor Kuhn - Once again Moe thank you, Ed and the unions and I hope you can express Mayor & Council's gratitude for all the work that this does. Thank you.

Moe Rayan - Will do.

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

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

None.

INTRODUCTION FOR ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, ETC.

None.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND MANAGER

Deputy Mayor Sapp - Yes I would like to make a report on the Memorial Day Parade. I was out of town and I am so sorry that I missed it but I know you guys had a beautiful day and the community came out and everyone had a fabulous time and I am sorry I missed it but I am glad you guys had a great day and I thought of all of you all day long.

Mayor Kuhn - Thank you.

Mayor Kuhn - And of course last but not least.

John Petrucci - Thank you Mayor. On May 19th I attended a luncheon at the Green Oaks Country Club to honor the volunteers of the Senior Center of Penn Hills. I think it was a very nice occasion and we honored those volunteers because without those volunteers the people the elder people wouldn't get their food and these volunteers do a lot of hard work for us and put in a lot of hours and it is all totally free. So I think they deserve a whole lot of gratitude from us and I am sure Council does give them a whole lot of gratitude for the time they spend doing this and planning a nice event and they were honored. The Memorial Day Parade as Cathy said was a beautiful

day and was a big success. Milligan Paving there was some questions about that up on Universal Road and that started June 4, 2018 and I think I saw a couple posts about that and after Universal Road and then Mount Carmel. I don't know whether they are going to pave it or patch it. He wasn't sure. It all depends on how much Grant Money they get or funds they get to do something with it. Also something was brought to my attention, I can do this now or I can do it after for the handout about the camera loan program. I see she left Faith Milazzo contacted me about this Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful and what it is we can apply for some free cameras to put in these dump sites and we can apply for multiple cameras to put in the dump sites. It is all free of charge. We have the forms here and I will give one to Mr. Rayan and

Chris Blackwell - Mr. Petrucci we have applied for the cameras and we received the Grant and we have a meeting on June 21st to set them up.

John Petrucci - Well that is great. Did you meet with Faith?

Chris Blackwell - No this is something I did on my own several months ago.

John Petrucci - Very good sir. Nobody told me anything about it. She contacted me about it the other day. So we got that straightened out. Mark Shuster at Robotic and Discovery will be attending the next meeting. He will be on the Agenda on July 16, 2018. Mr. Shuster is going to put on a presentation about he believes he can save the Municipality money so I said to him I think you should stand before Council and tell how you are going to do that. So he is going to give a presentation on July 16, 2018. He contacted me through the school district. He is going to present them with one also. He claims he can save money for our community and money for the school district so that ought to be interesting. I received and I am sure everyone did a letter from Don Kuhn Auto Body in reference to the contract and I want to thank Don Kuhn for submitting this letter to us and I would like to thank him for all the years of service that he gave to Penn Hills. Saturday June 9th at 9:00 I am taking all volunteers if you would please we are going to go down to Rosedale Fire Hall and do some clean up and some painting in the front and on the side of the building where the old offices where the barber shop use to be years ago and the tattoo shop. We are trying to get that cleaned up and then do some clean up around back and pick up garbage. I figured we should be there no longer than 12:00 and that is basically it. Mayor I am done.

Mayor Kuhn - Unbelievable.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - Yes I have a question for Councilman Petrucci. You said Mr. Shuster will do a presentation before Council and Residents on the 16th to save the Municipality and School District money?

Mr. Petrucci - Yes.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - How is that so?

Mr. Petrucci - He told me it was too complicated and I said you better come up here and tell us in person.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - So you have no idea on what it is about?

Mr. Petrucci - I have some figures jotted down that he claimed that he could do and it is individual property and mercantile taxes and he would have to explain all of this stuff. He was going on and on about it and he was recommended to call through Nancy Hines.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - Is he sending a letter to the Municipality?

Mr. Petrucci - Oh yes. He is sending a letter to get on the Agenda.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - O.K. and he will include a description?

Mr. Petrucci - Yes he will.

Deputy Mayor Sapp - O.K. Thank you.

Mayor Kuhn - I know Councilman Petrucci had brought up the cameras for Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful and I do apologize Chris I wasn't aware that we had already and I should have called you but that is my error. I want to congratulate you for taking it upon yourself to go ahead and do that because of the fact as we know the illegal dumping is so very difficult to control and if we could get these cameras especially free of charge and now you are saying we did already receive the grant or did we apply for the grant?

Chris Blackwell - We applied and received it. This stems down from the meeting that we had with Faith and the folks from Allegheny Clean Ways last year some time. And the folks from Allegheny Clean Ways were at the meeting and they discussed some of the severe dumps sites that we have. So that is how they suggested this camera program so later we have been going back and forth and meeting with this person and we really should of had it sooner but I think it is just the way the scheduling worked out so Scott Shepard at Public Works is really taking the ball on this. He said they are going to do the work load where there are going to be three cameras and one camera will be placed and watch at the front of the vehicle and one camera watches the license plate and the third camera watches that the cameras aren't stolen.

Mayor Kuhn - Oh wow.

Chris Blackwell - And then these cameras will report and send an e-mail to Scott's computer to monitor so they know and it is set up so not every time the wind blows or something like that. We have had some kind of internal discussion about how

to actually do this. We are watching this area. Scott's employees will be meeting on the 21st of this month to be trained on the operation of the cameras and when the batteries have to be changed maybe monthly things like that so it is a whole program so they are going to loan us these cameras for a certain amount of time. I will get more details for you in the future about this so it maybe something if we see the success of this how it works and maybe it would be something that we apply for some other kind of grant.

Mayor Kuhn - Once again I apologize that Mr. Petrucci had brought that to my attention and I said I thought it was a good idea and I was not aware that you had already done that Chris. I thank you for taking the initiative and what is really nice is that I didn't realize until you explained it that there is also a camera on someone damaging it because that was a lot of the problems that we had prior to the dumping situation am I right Moe? We would put cameras up and before the day was ended someone had broken them so that is nice to know that they have that so that is a very positive grant that we have and thanks again.

Chris Blackwell - Now everyone knows where they are going to be there.

Mayor Kuhn - That's is alright. Maybe if they know they will go somewhere else outside of Penn Hills.

Chris Blackwell - I am just kidding. It is a real problem and all of us working together to try and solve.

Mr. Petrucci - Do we have spots for those cameras?

Chris Blackwell - We do but I am not telling.

Mayor Kuhn - I also wanted to make a comment on our Memorial Day Parade. It is one of the most fun activities that the Municipality has and as Deputy Mayor Sapp said about the day was so beautiful when I welcomed everyone I made the statement it doesn't rain on Penn Hills Parade and every year we have beautiful weather and it is so nice to see and it is mainly the local children and organizations who come out for the parade and it is so much fun and everyone has such a good time. The children love the candy that is thrown out and it is wonderful to see our school district with their music, I think they won first prize if I am not mistaken for their float and you see our Penn Hills Pride Football Team and as I said to them nothing is better than ball in Penn Hills when our young people play football. Penn Hills has always been a football town so it was very enjoyable and I think everyone had a really good time with it. My only other report is Councilman Petrucci had called me in regards initiating a cleanup of some of our businesses. So today the Manager and our Code Enforcement Director Mr. McCafferty and myself and Councilman Petrucci we did a ride by of the businesses that are on the top priority of making and not actually abiding by the Ordinances that Penn Hills has in place and the outcome of that was that we had made a suggestion to our Director,

John McCafferty and we are having him initiating sending out letters to these particular businesses and then we are going to have a rotation of follow ups because the problem is going through all the citations and going to the Magistrate and it takes a great deal of time and when it is finally finalized they do the clean up and then three or four months after that it is right back to where it was so we felt that with this rotation of Code Enforcement doing a stop in that it will give the owners the initiative to continue to keep the buildings in the conditions they should be in. Word will get out that you can't just do this one time and let it go because the Municipality now is going to be doing a continual follow up and I believe and Councilman Petrucci and the Manager and John McCafferty agreed also that a face to face visit will accommodate more than a letter because of the fact if you are a business owner and someone stops in from the Municipality and then they stop in a second time I think that will get their attention. So I think that is a real good pro active situation for the Municipality and I think it is a step in the right direction for us too to follow through with other Code Violation situations. That being said, we will have an Executive Session after the meeting regarding personnel matters and do I have a Motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Sapp made a Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Underwood seconded the Motion.

Mayor Kuhn - Meeting is adjourned. Thank you everyone for coming.

The meeting was adjourned at 10.00 P.M.

DATE

MAUREEN M. SORCE
MANAGER'S SECRETARY

