

**WILKINSBURG BOROUGH**  
**Council Legislative Session**  
**June 12, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Cohn called the meeting to order at approximately 7:01 PM in Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building, 605 Ross Ave., Wilkinsburg, PA.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called to establish a quorum. Present were: Mr. Lefebvre, Ms. Evans, Ms. Trice, Ms. Moore, Ms. Goodman, Ms. McCarthy-Johnson and President Cohn. Michael Witherel, Borough Solicitor was also present. Marla P. Marcinko, Borough Manager, Mayor John Thompson, Ms. Ervin and Ms. Macklin were absent. A quorum was established.

Ms. Ervin arrived at approximately 7:03 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Following the pledge of allegiance, a moment of silence was observed to remember victims of violent crime.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Brian Lowe – Eastern Area Pre-Hospital Services (EAPHS)** – Mr. Lowe commented on improving response times and cited recent drops in response times appear to be affected by increased traffic on local roadways due to parkway closures. Mr. Lowe reviewed the dispatch codes.

**Ben Roth – 2364 Hollywood Dr.** – Commented that speeding has increased on Hollywood Drive between Orlando Place and Williamsburg since parking has been restricted on one side of the street. He presented a petition to Council requesting that the parking restriction be eliminated.

**Millie Segreti- 104 Angela Drive** – Commented on the current litigation in which she is a party with the Borough. She commented on the statement on the Right-To-Know request form that provides for a response within 5 days. She commented that her request for the tape of the meeting of May 8 will not be available until the minutes are approved at the June meeting. She requested a copy of the tape recording of this meeting.

**Tom Montgomery-1003 Savannah Ave.** – Thanked Mr. Lefebvre for attending the Regent Square Civic Association meeting on traffic and pedestrian safety concerns.

**Kate Luxemburg 432 Rebecca Ave.** – Questioned whether Council has information to provide regarding use of Whitney Park. She stated she received a Private Criminal Complaint for a code violation on a property she purchased at sheriff's sale without first receiving a Notice of Violation. Attorney Witherel stated that there may have been a misunderstanding with the Director of Code Enforcement and he would consult with him. Ms. Luxemburg stated that Borough efforts should be focused on encouraging people to invest in Wilkinsburg.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. Approving Council Meeting Minutes of 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/13, and 5/22/13.**

Ms. Trice requested a correction to the May 8, 2013 minutes which indicated she voted on the April bill list. Ms. Trice was not in attendance at that meeting.

**Moved:** Ms. McCarthy-Johnson

**Second:** Mr. Lefebvre

**May 1**

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

**May 8**

**Yes:** Ms. Ervin, Ms. Evans, Ms. Moore, Ms. Goodman, Ms. McCarthy-Johnson, Mr. Lefebvre, President Cohn

**Abstain:** Ms. Trice

**Motion carried 7:0 with one abstention.**

**May 15**

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

**May 22**

**Yes:** Ms. Ervin, Ms. Moore, Ms. Goodman, Ms. McCarthy-Johnson, Mr. Lefebvre, President Cohn

**Abstain:** Ms. Trice, Ms. Evans

**Motion carried 6:0 with two abstentions.**

**2. Approving May Checks issued:**

<b>Regular Disbursements 05/01 – 05/31/13</b>	<b>\$ 990,283.75</b>
<b>Payroll Disbursements</b>	<b>255,840.30</b>
<b>Voided Checks</b>	<b><u>389.50</u></b>
<b>Total Disbursement</b>	<b>\$1,245,734.55</b>

**Moved:** Ms. Evans

**Second:** Mr. Lefebvre

**Yes:** Ms. Moore, Ms. Goodman, Ms. McCarthy-Johnson, Mr. Lefebvre, Ms. Evans, President Cohn

No: Ms. Ervin, Ms. Trice

**Motion carried 6:2**

- 3. Adopting Ordinance No. 2904 Vehicles and Traffic providing for:**
  - a. One way restriction on Burns St.**
  - b. Restricting parking on Plato Way, Horace Way and Virgil Way**
  - c. Eliminating residential parking at various locations**

**Moved:** Mr. Lefebvre

**Second:** Ms. McCarthy-Johnson

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

- 4. Adopting Ordinance No. 2905 – Occupancy Permit Requirements.**

**Moved:** Ms. Evans

**Second:** Mr. Lefebvre

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

- 5. Adopting Ordinance No. 2906 – Establishing Handicap Parking 1127 Wallace Ave.**

**Moved:** Ms. Goodman

**Second:** Ms. Ervin

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

- 6. Approving Resolution No. 13-050 – Approving Street Closure – St. Mark AME Zion Church Community Day.**

**Moved:** Ms. Ervin

**Second:** Ms. McCarthy-Johnson

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

- 7. Approving Resolution No. 13-051 – Sponsoring Banner – St. Mark AME Zion Church Community Day.**

**Moved:** Ms. McCarthy-Johnson

**Second:** Ms. Moore

**All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 8. Approving Resolution No. 13-052 – CD 40 Concurring Resolution – Street Reconstruction.**
- 9. Approving Resolution No. 13-053 – CD 40 Concurring Resolution – Ardmore Blvd. Retaining Wall.**

10. Approving Resolution No. 13-054 – CD 40 Concurring Resolution- Ferguson Playground Renovations.
11. Approving Resolution No. 13-055 – CD 40 Concurring Resolution – Wood St. Handicap Ramps.
12. Approving Resolution No. 13-056 – CD 40 Concurring Resolution – Demolition.
13. Approving Resolution No. 13-057 – CD 40 Declaring Slums & Blight.

Moved: Ms. Trice

Second: Mr. Lefebvre

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

### NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Moore provided the Wilkinsburg Library Report.

Ms. McCarthy-Johnson announced the start of Art in the Park on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. and the opening of the Farmer's Market.

Ms. Evans announced the WCDC received funding, along with several other communities, through the Allegheny Conference to encourage economic development projects.

President Cohn announced that bike racks have been installed at the Borough Building and Eastridge Branch Library.

President Cohn recognized Family Links, a non-profit organization, for a payment in lieu of taxes in the amount of \$2,500.

President Cohn requested a consensus of Council to purchase new chairs for Council Chambers for Council members. It was agreed to purchase the chairs with unexpended funds allocated to the Council training budget.

### ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, on motion by Ms. McCarthy-Johnson, second by Ms. Ervin, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45 P.M.

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Jason Cohn, Council President