

- (8-83) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to authorize the use of the municipal building, two public works employees and one truck to aid the Century Club during the Spring Clean Up scheduled for Saturday, April 26th, and further authorizing overtime, if necessary. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Szoko voting “NO”
- (8-84) MOVED PADULA-SZOKO to authorize the appropriate officials to execute an agreement between the Township of Wilkins and the St. Margaret’s Foundation for the donation of an automatic electronic defibrillator (AED) to be placed in the Municipal Building; agreeing to purchase the required cabinet for the AED and agreeing to make available all Township employees for training on the use of the AED, contingent upon the Solicitor’s receipt and review of the Agreement. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-85) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to accept the agreement between the Township of Wilkins and the Wage Policy Committee for the period January 1, 2008 through and including December 31, 2010 and authorizing the appropriate officials to execute the Agreement. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-86) MOVED COSTA-PADULA to accept the agreement between the Township of Wilkins and the Wilkins Township Maintenance Employees Association for the period of January 1, 2008 through and including December 31, 2010 and authorizing the appropriate officials to execute the Agreement. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-87) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to rescind the acceptance of the Agreement between the Township of Wilkins and the Wage Policy Committee. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-88) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to accept the Agreement between the Township of Wilkins and the Wage Policy Committee for the period of January 1, 2008 through and including December 31, 2010, with one (1) amendment: The final paragraph under Article XXIV, Duration (page 33) is hereby deleted in its entirety. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-89) MOVED COSTA-PADULA to approve an Act 202 Real Estate Tax Abatement, in accordance with Ordinance #979 for the following properties: 1621 Vineseian Place (Lot/Block #453-P-211), 1625 Vineseian Place (Lot/Block #453-P-213) and 1637 Vineseian Place (Lot/Block #453-P-219). The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-90) MOVED COSTA-FIALLA to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to advertise for a public hearing to be held on April 14, 2008 for the purpose of receiving public comments on the proposed R-C-1 Zoning Ordinance and also advertising for adoption of the R-C-1 Zoning Ordinance. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Padula voting ‘NO’
- (8-91) MOVED FIALLA-SZOKO to accept the recommendation of the Wilkins Township Planning Commission to appoint Mr. Tom Graney of GCCA as a consultant to the Planning Commission to aid in proposed rezoning for the Greensburg Pike, Larimer Avenue and Jefferson Heights area of the community at a cost of \$5,500.00. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Padula voting “NO”..
- (8-92) MOVED FIALLA-SZOKO to authorize Chief Guthrie to attend the Pennsylvania Chief of Police 2008 Education and Training Conference to be held from July 13th through the 16th in Lancaster at a cost of \$730.00. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

- (8-93) MOVED FIALLA-PADULA to authorize the purchase of one (1) 2008 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicle from Kenny Ross, in accordance with the SHA COG bid, at a cost \$22,333.00. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Szoko voting 'NO'
- (8-94) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to appoint Mr. James Dick of 815 Elizabeth Street as an alternate to the Board of Code Appeals. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (8-95) MOVED FIALLA-COSTA to authorize Mr. Hill to attend the Pennsylvania Construction Codes Academy "Preparing for Summer Code Issues" seminar to be held on April 8, 2008 from 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM at a cost of \$125.00. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Commissioner Padula congratulated the Recreation Advisory Board on their receipt of the 2008 Citizen of the Year Award, stated that he attended the Intergovernmental meeting of March 23rd and the representatives from other communities were also commending our Recreation Advisory Board. Mr. Padula stated that the Intergovernmental group is currently exploring ways to: jointly contract refuse and recyclable removal; collaborate on a joint effort to rid the communities of abandoned houses; and continuing a partnership for stormwater management. The next meeting is scheduled for April 29th at the Rankin Christian Center. He also thanked Keith Morse for his help in securing the grant for the AED and thanked the Century Club for their continuing efforts in the community.

Commissioner Fialla congratulated the Recreation Advisory Board on their receipt of the 2008 Citizen of the Year Award, stated that she had scheduled a meeting of the representatives of the City of Pittsburgh to be held on March 13th. Unfortunately, the meeting had to be postponed. She hopes to reschedule the meeting within the next several weeks to discuss whether or not joint refuse removal and energy savings projects could be mutually beneficial to both communities. Also, questioned whether or not the Public Works employees utilize safety vests when performing road work and whether or not they utilize respirators when applying weed killer. Ms. Fialla wished Mrs. Martinelli and the Century Club good luck with the spaghetti dinner and thanked Mr. Dick for volunteering to serve as an alternate on the Board of Code Appeals. She thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and stated that the next meeting of the Board will be held on April 14th.

Commissioner Costa asked that everyone support the current Century Club initiatives – the spaghetti dinner and the Clean-Up day and also stated that there is a resident who lives in Wilkins Township that has recently been experiencing some great difficulties. Anyone wishing to help this resident should speak with Mrs. Martinelli of the Century Club for further information and to donate either food or money.

Commissioner Szoko stated that he would like the employees to recognize that we have a chain of command that needs to be followed and hopes for better teamwork in the future. He also stated that he would like to see a decrease in spending, but has not yet seen one. He also requested that employees refrain from micromanaging and remain professional and thanked Chief Guthrie and the Fire Department Chiefs for all of their hard work.

Commissioner Wilson stated that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to the public meeting to discuss two items of personnel and an item of litigation. He also stated that the Board would be returning to executive session following the meeting for continued discussion of these items. Mr. Wilson stated that he is tired of the grandstanding that continues to take place at public meetings. Even though this continues to occur, the Township has moved forward and settled the employment contracts with the Wage Policy Committee and the Maintenance Employees Association.

Mr. Wilson congratulated the Recreation Advisory Board on the receipt of the Citizen of the Year award and also congratulated Commissioner Szoko on his business (Churchill Vision Center) coming in first this year with the Woodland Hills Progress for vision care.

(8-96) MOVED PADULA-COSTA to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.
The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary