A VIEW FROM THE HEIGHTS

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS

WHAT’S HAPPENING

Flag Day
Saturday 14 June

Independence Day
Friday 4 July

Patterson Heights Community Day
Sunday 3 August
(Rain date Sunday 10 August)

Labor Day
Monday 1 September

IN THE NEWS

Meet the Borough Secretary
Renee (DeRose) Cameron born June 24, 1964, is a graduate of Beaver Falls High School, Class of 1982, and has resided on College Hill, Beaver Falls for 29 years. She graduated from ICM School of Business in 1983. She lived in Redlands, CA from 1994-2007, where for 13 years, she was an Administrative Assistant for the Vice Principal of the High School. Since 2007 she has been a resident of Hopewell, PA. She has 2 daughters, Ashley Cameron, 19 who is attending Pittsburgh Technical Institute (PTI) studying Information Technology in Forensics, and Alyssa Cameron, 13, who is a student at Hopewell Memorial Junior High. Renee is has been employed part-time with Hopewell Township Sewer Department as the Collections/Administrative Assistant for the past 3 ½ years. She enjoys all indoor and outdoor sports and activities, crafts and much more. She is an Independent Jewelry Consultant for Cookie Lee Jewelry since 2003. She is very active in the Hopewell Community and is looking forward to becoming active and involved with the Borough of Patterson Heights.

Congratulations to the Blackhawk Lady Cougars
Following the WPIAL Championship win at Palumbo Center on March 1, the Blackhawk Lady Cougars Basketball team, ranked #1 in their WPIAL section, went on to win the four playoff games leading up to the State Championship game against Archbishop Wood in Hershey on Saturday March 22. The Lady Cougars were the winners, 51-43, in this game and, for the first time in 14 years, won the Class AAA State Title. Madison Amalia is a Freshman Guard for the team and MacKenzie Amalia is a team manager. Congratulations to all on a great year!

Congratulations to Graduating High School Seniors
Four Patterson Heights residents will be graduating from Blackhawk High School on Friday 6 June 2014.

Alex Devic -- Alex will graduate with High Honors and received the following awards and scholarships at the Awards Days Senior Assembly May 16:

John A. Gilchrist Memorial Scholarship
Design and Engineering Award has been
Tyler Stump Memorial Award
Physics Award
Business/IT Computer Science Award

MaryKate Signore – MaryKate will be attending CCBC in the Fall.
Kylie Steel – Kylie received the Beaver County Counselor’s Assoc. Extra Effort Award at the Awards Assembly and is planning on attending University of Akron in the Fall.
Makenzie Wilkinson – Mackenzie is planning to attend Ohio University in Athens, Ohio in the Fall.

Patterson Heights Students Participate in Coaches for Cancer “Thon”

Alex Devic, Mary Kate Signore and Kylie Steel participated with other Blackhawk students in the May 16th Dance-a-Thon to raise money for the Coaches for Cancer at Blackhawk HS.

BEAVER COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR
In other Blackhawk School District news, Patterson Heights resident and Blackhawk High School Social Studies teacher Deborah Daquila was selected as the winner of the Jumet Foundation Charitable Foundation Teacher of the Year Award. In addition to teaching Social Studies, Debbie is also Senior Class Advisor and we understand she will be retiring at the end of the school year.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all!

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Xander Wilkinson, Owner

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Fireman’s Ladies Auxiliary

Tidbits

Fireman Ladies Auxiliary News

The Fireman Ladies Auxiliary reconvened in March with an anniversary dinner held at the Grand Valley Inn, followed by a business meeting at the Firehall, while the May meeting included a mirth-filled White Elephant sale. Our final meeting until the fall will be held June 10 at 7:00 p.m.

A bake sale was held on May 20, Election Day, and, as per usual, we thank you for preparing one of your sweet delights to share with our community. During August, our activities will include both a bake sale and a book sale at Community Day, while as the days grow colder, Fall will be best served with a meatball sandwich sale and our annual soup sale. As always, we so appreciate all of the support given by you both as bakers and as buyers at our sales.

Please give a thought to joining us at one of our meetings on the first Tuesday of the month. Come as a guest, stay as a member.

GARDENING IN THE HEIGHTS

By Ann Bender

Container Success -- or Pot Some Pizzazz! Spring is here and Summer is coming! Really! If you’re making your summer landscaping plans, be sure to add containers to the mix. It’s easy to understand why container
gardening is so popular. Plants in containers can transform any outdoor area. They can be used as focal points on the patio, deck or balcony, at an entry to your home or in the garden. Pots of plants can enhance walkways, steps and paths. And pots are portable, so you can change on a whim. Spectacular containers of colorful flowers and bold foliage can add ‘color pops’ with less work and maintenance than flowerbeds. Most forms of flowering or foliage plants, herbs and edibles, dwarf fruit trees and small shrubs will feel right at home in containers. All it takes is the right mix of pots, soil and plants.

For the basic design of containers, just remember thrillers, fillers and spillers. Combine and upright (thriller), mounding plants that fill out the arrangement (fillers), and plants that drape or trail down the sides of pots (spillers). Plan your containers before heading out to the garden center or farmers’ market. Buy early to get the best selection and just what you want. While shopping, combine your plant choices in a cart to make sure the colors, sizes and textures work together. Check the plant tags to make sure these plants have similar sunlight and water requirements. Local growers are also great sources of information on the plants they grow and sell.

For container gardening, bigger really is better. Large pots hold more soil and moisture, as well as more plants. They have great ‘impact’ in your garden. You can also group similar pots (those having the same color or texture or style) and use just one type of plant per pot. Vary the sizes and heights of pots to keep it interesting. Using containers, you can try new combinations and different plants each season.

Here are some tips for great container gardening:

(1) Good drainage is critical. Any container that holds soil and plants must have drainage holes. When filling a pot with soil, put a coffee filter over the drainage hole first. This keeps the soil in and lets the water drain out.

(2) Use good quality potting soil. Buy potting soil with slow release fertilizer or mix in slow-release fertilizer granules with potting soil when planting. Soiless potting mixes are also available and are lighter and absorb more water. You may also want to add an upside down plastic planter or recycles plastic water bottle to the pot before filling with soil. They ‘take up space’ and make pots lighter - helpful when moving and rearranging pots.

(3) Use a catcher or saucer under pots that are on cement or wood to prevent stains. ‘Pot feet’ are also available at garden centers, especially for clay pots. Drain saucers of excess water. Standing water is not good for the plants and it draws mosquitoes.

(4) Once you have planted your thrillers, fillers and spillers in your containers, top dress with mulch, shredded bark, pebbles or other natural materials. This makes an attractive surface and helps retain moisture.

(5) Finally, site your containers well. Make sure the spots you’ve chosen meet the sunlight requirements for your plants. Also check the ‘visibility’ - is the container placed where it will be visually pleasing?

This summer, why not design and create some ‘pots with pizzazz’ for your garden? Remember, it just takes some thrillers, fillers and spillers. Enjoy!

Street Department Update
A reminder as we are working in our yards; the yard trash pick-ups are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursdays. Keep in mind the following guidelines: all yard trash should be in recyclable paper Yard Trash bags – left open – and should not contain garbage or debris other than grass, weeds or small brush, or branches. Larger limbs or branches should be cut in 4 ft. lengths and bundled -- bags and/or bundles should not be too large or heavy -- if you can’t pick it up, Bob can’t throw it in the truck bed!
Cut grass blown into the street is in violation of the Municipal Code. Grass clippings should be swept or blown back into the yard or bagged for
yard trash pick-up. If you have a lawn service you should remind them of this as well.

To those residents living on corner properties, remember to keep all your corner plantings according to Ordinance # 416, section IX.906 FENCES AND HEDGES. This, and all Borough Ordinances, can be found on the Patterson Heights Website.

Critter Corner

MEET DUCK DUCK AND HONEY!

AGES: 3 years and counting
NICKNAME: Duck, a.k.a. Duck-with-attitude
BREED: Duck: Khaki Campbell (brown)  
Honey: Indian Runner (white)
OWNER: Sue Starn
OCCUPATION: Duck: Yard constabulary/Canine Enforcement Officer  
Honey: President & STAR of the Heights Child Entertainment Consortium
FAVORED ACTIVITY: Duck: Swimming laps in my pool & divesting the area of unwanted canines  
Honey: Eating many yummies & policing Duck
FAVORITE TOY: Duck: Dog noses! Always checking to see if they squeak - as of yet, they don't  
Honey: I'm a big girl; I don't play with toys
LEAST FAVORITE THING: Duck: When my swimmy pool water turns hard in the cold  
Honey: The new wicked Boo puppy—he’s everywhere I want to be
RULE I LIKE TO BREAK:  
Duck: You know those little feety things /toes?? I like to nibble on them  
Honey: I’m like my name; always sweet and perfect
CRAZIEST THING I’VE EVER DONE:  
Duck: I take trips to Brady’s Run to swim  
Honey: I’m afraid of the dark...and the light...and noise...and anything that moves or doesn’t move
MY PERFECT DAY:  
Duck: Being chauffered to Brady's run for sun and swim  
Honey: A HUGE bowl of yummy things with no one, NO ONE! around – I want to be alone!

The Heights Creature Corner continues to look for a “creature” to highlight in each issue of the “View”. Give Sue a call so she can “interview” your cat, dog, duck or goldfish!
Sue Pokego  
724-846-0184  
spo4@comcast.net

THANK YOU LETTER

This letter is a thank you... to Ruthanne Bentley for her tireless efforts and commitment to this community. For those of you who may not know Ruthanne, she publishes The View from the Heights. This has been her project for several years now and we just want her to know how much we appreciate her public service and dedication to the community. She has no reason to put in the time and effort she does except for her love of this Borough. She volunteers her talent to support this community and it is important that we say a simple Thank You!
We also want to thank Terry Carroll, who no longer lives here, but was the original co-founder and publisher with Donna Lutz many years ago. Also the
boys, girls and their parents who help distribute the View to our residents.

Sincerely,
Pam and Jake Barsottini

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**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday 3 August**
(Rain date – August 10)

**Patterson Heights Community Day**

**Plan to attend!**
Fun for the whole family
Visit with your Patterson Heights Friends and Neighbors

**Karaoke**
**Face Painting**
**Magician**
**Monaca Cornet Band**
**Balloon Artist**
**Movie in the Park**

Free Brusters Ice Cream

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**Cotton Candy**
**Popcorn**
**Bake Sale and Book Sale**
to benefit the Fire Dept. and Ladies Auxiliary

**MUSINGS FROM THE MAYOR**

Phyllis Aluseo, Mayor

Spring has finally arrived in the Heights and it’s so nice to look out and see lush greens and some bright colors. Such a busy time with graduations, weddings and just plain yard work. Try to keep **Sunday 3 August** free to attend **Community Day**. It’s a fun day for all the family to spend time together and meet your neighbors and new residents.

I have enjoyed attending Junior Council meetings; they have so many good ideas and projects pending. Please encourage and support their projects when possible.

This is my favorite time of year when I can pick up a book, sit on the porch and greet the many walkers who pass by. Please feel free to stop and say hello, I would love to meet you.

**ABOUT JUNIOR COUNCIL**

Neighborhood Watch Meeting – at the April 28 Neighborhood Watch meeting Chief Jones & Officer Siget were in attendance. A human trafficking representative explained human trafficking, what it is, how it starts, and how to prevent it. She described her experience with human trafficking as a teen, and then showed a video of teens who also experienced human trafficking, revealing their stories and how they started it. There will be no meeting in the month of May, but there will be a meeting on June 30, at the Beaver Falls City Building (regular location is the Second Baptist Church,
Fellowship Hall Annex, 2322 Tenth Ave.) Beaver Falls at 7:00pm.

From July 20 to August 3, Community Day, the YMCA Rec program will take place. The program is for kids from grades K-5. From 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every day, the kids will come to the playground and they will have fun and play games with certified Y workers. Near noon, they will eat a free lunch then play more games until a parent/guardian picks them up at 2 p.m.

During the recreation program, to raise money, we will have a raffle with a huge expense-filled basket. Commercial restaurants, department stores, landscaping places, etc. will donate merchandise and/or gift cards to put in the basket. The raffle tickets will be sold on June 16, 17, at the fire department from 1 -5. There will also be tickets sold at the Junior Council meeting on June 9 at 7:00 p.m. The actual raffle will be on June 18th at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to make a cash donation, have any questions, or have a recommendation for a commercial business that would be interested in sponsoring this event, call (724) 683-1852. Thank you.

**Neighborhood Watch Info**

*From Pam Barsottini*

**How to Report Suspicious Activities, Crimes or Incidents?**

- Call 911 or the Beaver Falls Police (724-846-7000)
- Give your name and address – you can remain totally anonymous, but you must give this information. This if very important.
- Explain what has happened
  - Briefly describe the suspect
  - Vehicle, if involved
- Remember, never approach person on your own – call the police or 911

All residents are encouraged to attend the monthly Neighborhood Watch meetings, you can call the Junior Council members if you need transportation. Meetings are held at the Second Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall Annex, 2322 10th Avenue, Beaver Falls. Next meeting is June 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Marge Harsh shared this following article. It seems appropriate since 2014 marks the first “Baby-Boomers” 50th High School graduation.

**The Song that Launched a British “Invasion”**

“She loves you, yeah, yeah, yeah!!” That refrain from the signature song of the Beatles marked the beginning of Beatlemania in the sixties. “She Loves You” was co-written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney in June 1963, before the band’s premier national tour, when they were the opening act for Britain’s teenage sensation Helen Shapiro.

Six months later, on January 3, 1964, Americans got their first earful of “She Loves You” (and their eyeful of the Beatles themselves) during a film clip of the Fab Four on The Jack Paar Show, a month before the Beatles arrived in the United States for the first time. Fans sent that song and “I Want to Hold Your Hand’ to the top of the US record charts, a rare back-to-back feat that had previously been achieved only by Elvis Presley in 1956.

**Special Note from the Borough Council**

*The Council would like to remind residents that if they had planned to do some paving on their property this summer, residents might want to get an estimate from with the street paving company while they are working in the Heights.*

**BOROUGH INFORMATION**

*Borough Council Meeting*

Third Wednesday – Monthly
7:00 p.m.
Borough Fire Hall Meeting Room
600 Seventh Avenue  PH
724-846-0677

*Borough Secretary*

Renee Cameron  724.846-0677

*Council Members*

Phyllis Aluseo, Mayor  724.846-3937
Paul Bellan  724.622.2374
Richard Evans  724.843.6244
Patterson Heights Council Minutes
March 19th 2014
Council members present: Mr. Starn, Mr. Evans, Mr. Pegg, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Landman, Mr. Bellan and Mayor Aluseo... Ms. Muhlburger arrived at 7:04pm
Officers present: Secretary Ely, Solicitor Urick
Police Report: Chief Jones could not attend copy was given to council
Fire Report: Chief Medlin read the monthly report
Tax Collector Report: Ms. Phillip could not attend this evening
Code Enforcement Report: Mr. Starn Read the report
Visitors:
Ruthanette Bentley spoke about the view from the heights.
Val Becker spoke on pot holes on 4th street.
Communications: Mr. Starn read the Brady’s Run dam emergency plan.
Letter from City of Beaver Falls requesting for council to review their proposed upcoming zoning ordinance.

Letter from PennDOT giving clearance for liquid fuels monies for 2014

Junior Council Report: The junior council gave a report and spoke on doing a summer recreation program.
Mr. Bellan made a motion to let the Junior Council start a summer recreation program, Second by Ms. Muhlburger. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Mr. Landman made a motion to amend prior minutes of January meeting that Mr. Starn did not make any motions as stated, Second by Ms. Muhlberger. PASSED UNANIMOUS

The Minutes of the February 19th 2014 meeting were approved with changes upon a motion by Mr. Landman, seconded by Ms. Bellan PASSED UNANIMOUS

Public Safety: Mr. Bellan made a motion to authorize Patterson Township to advertise a ordinance for a cooperative agreement, Second by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Building and Grounds Committee: Nothing at this time

Streets and Sewers Committee: Mr. Bellan made a motion to advertise ordinance #267 for the PIB road loan, Second by Mr. Pegg. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Motion by Ms. Muhlberger to apply for salt shortage relief, second by

Recreation Committee: Nothing at this time

Recycling and Refuse Committee: Nothing at this time

Budget and Finance Committee: Nothing at this time

Rental & Property Maintenance Committee: Nothing at this time

New Business:
Mr. Landman made a motion to pass Ordinance #268 to combine the duties of secretary treasure, second by Ms. Muhlberger. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Mr. Pegg made a motion to have a audit of the amusement tax for the golf course done, second by Ms. Muhlberger. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Ms. Muhlberger made a motion to pay both mayors association dues, second by Mr. Bellan. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Monthly Bills: It was motioned by Mr. Pegg, seconded by Mr. Bellan to pay the monthly bills. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Mr. Bellan made a motion to enter executive session for personal reasons. Second by Ms. Muhlberger @8:26pm PASSED UNANIMOUS
Mr. Bellan made a motion to enter regular session. Second by Ms. Muhlberger @ 8:45pm PASSED UNANIMOUS
The meeting was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Bellan, second by Ms. Muhlberger. PASSED UNANIMOUS at 8:46pm
Bill Starn, President
Thomas Ely, Secretary

Patterson Heights Council Minutes
16 April 2014
7:00 pm Council Meeting called to order
Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Council Members
President: Bill Starn - Present
Vice President: Jim Turnbull - Present
President Pro Tem: Julie Muhlburger – Present (arrived a few minutes late)
Rochard Evans - Present
Paul Bellan -Present
Bryan Landman- Present
Richard Pegg – ABSENT

Mayor
Phyllis Aluseo – Present

Officers
Secretary/Treasurer: Renee Cameron and Tom Ely - Present
Solicitor: Chad McMillen - Present

Police Report: Chief Jones reported that during the past few weeks there have been several vehicles broken into. He stepped up the patrols and noticed that incidents have pretty much stopped at this point. Chief wanted to make sure that the residents keep their vehicles locked and if they hear or see anything suspicious to please contact the police so they can respond accordingly.

Tax Collector Report: Sue Phillip – Read her report.
Fire Chief Report: (Not present) Mr. Starn read the report (4) calls reported

Visitors:
Mr. Starn mentioned that Randall from PNC bank was on the agenda but he could not attend. He was supposed to present the proposals that were discussed the other day. He left the handouts to be passed out.
Ruthanne Bentley spoke about the view from the heights. Discussion: She brought extra copies of the view if anyone wanted a copy. She is working on the May issue to be ready the 2nd weekend in May. Would like to include Graduation news, and would also like to welcome the new secretary and include a bio on the new secretary. She suggested to Jr. Council to put information in the news about the summer program. She would also like to advertise the Community Days. She reminded Council she will need a copy of the approved March minutes. She would like her deadline to be Friday, 4/25/14 to submit anything that needs to be put in the news.

Fran Levinger - President of the Women’s Auxiliary was asking permission to plant a tree in honor of Tilly who passed away last year. Mr. Starn said they will discuss with the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Caren Turnbull - presented letter of resignation from Elaine Jansto that she will no longer serve as an Auditor for the Borough. She also addressed that Elaine wanted to know what should she do with all her copies of her audits from 2000 – 2011. It was suggested that she can keep them or bring them to the Borough to keep on file. She also presented a letter from Mr. Coleman head of the Assessment Department showing that he did change their residence to a single family dwelling.

Caren Turnbull - addressed her concern with Mr. Pegg wanting to send a letter to the Country Club.

Linda Hurley addressed what happened to the POW flag. Mr. Starn stated that he had it because it fell and it was all torn. Mr. Pegg and Jake are to get us a new one.

Larry Malone 7th Street – Wanted to know what the latest on the Nixon property was. Mr. Starn checked to see if anything was on the Code Enforcement report. Mr. Malone stated last he heard it is now in Council’s hands. He would like a letter from Council if they are not going to pursue anything so he can present it to his insurance company to protect his property. Discussion took place.

Pam Barsottini – Was recording the meeting for Dick Pegg under the “Sunshine Act”. Wanted to know when the update for the Web site was going to take place? It was said that the update was already in progress. What is the status of the new roads? Mr. Starn advised that the status of the new roads will be discussed later on.

Code Enforcement Report: D. L. Pella not present. Mr. Starn Read the report (4 cases)
Question was asked why D. L. Pella does not attend the monthly meetings. Discussion took place.
Junior Council Report: Wanted to know what was the latest on the Blackhawk letter? Mr. Starn heard
that Blackhawk was not giving any money this year. Norm stated that the letter was sent but we have not received anything from Blackhawk. Dunhams is the only sponsor they got. They are giving discount cards. Jr. Council asked for any recommendations for sponsors. It was suggested that Council write a letter to give to Junior Council as an introduction for soliciting donations for their summer playground project. Date of the next Jr. Council meeting is May 12th.

**Communications:** Mr. Starn said he had a letter for D.L. Pella he left her a voice mail regarding the property of 410 7th avenue per her request. He read the letter which was for the estimate of painting the structure listed and McDanel Painting has been notified that the bid is approved and put on schedule. Tenant was also notified.

The **Minutes** of the March 19th, 2014 meeting Julie said she had an addition to add to the minutes. Mr. Turnbull would like to make a small clerical change on the 2nd page. Motion was made by Mr. Bellan to approve the March 19th, 2014 meeting with the approved changes seconded by Ms. Muhlburger. **PASSED UNANIMOUS.**

Mr. Turnbull asked that before the meeting continues that the new Secretary/Treasurer be introduced and gives a brief bio.

**Public Safety Committee:**
Mr. Landman had nothing to report. However, he did mention about installing an intercom system. Will be addressed under Building and Grounds

**Neighborhood Watch** – Will Portzline – Discussion Mr. Bellan suggested that Council give Jr. Council a formal letter to present to the businesses for support and donations. Norm asked Alexander if he had any donation forms. Norm said he would give them $100 donation from his business.

**Pam Barsottini** advised Council that the next Neighborhood Watch is 4/28/14 on Human Traffic. Mayor Aluseo asked how many people did they have interested in the Neighborhood Watch program. Response was not many. Mr. Landman discussed his experience he had in organizing a Neighborhood Watch program. Discussion took place.

**Approve Ordinance for EMA Generator** - Motion made by Ms. Muhlburger to approve Ordinance #268 for the purchase of the EMA Generator seconded by Mr. Bellan. **PASSED UNANIMOUS.**

**Cooperative Agreement with Patterson Township** - Motion made by Ms. Muhlburger to approve the Cooperative Agreement seconded by Mr. Bellan. **PASSED UNANIMOUS.**

**Portable Basketball Hoops** – Discussion

**Building and Grounds Committee:**

**Fire Department would like to request permission for a monument** – Discussion took place Mr. Turnbull discussed requests for monuments and feels there needs to be further discussions by Council. Larry spoke on behalf of the Fire Department. He said the monument would be dedicated to all the Firefighters and Auxiliary past, present and future. Larry described that the stone will be granite stone and the engraving is being donated from Rome Monument. He would like to have it done by Community Days. Discussion took place where to put the monument and to get a sketch of the monument.

**Fire Department would like to plant a Live Christmas Tree** – Discussion took place

The Buildings and Ground Committee will discuss and come up with a plan and get back to Council.

**Intercom/Buzzard & Surveillance Cameras for Borough Building** – Mr. Turnbull discussed an 8 camera surveillance system for $379 Sale price Regular price $700.00 Discussion took place. Mr. Turnbull suggested to do some research on pricing for next meeting.

Mr. Turnbull discussed the safety for the new Secretary being the first female they have had working at the Borough Building possibly installing an intercom system, or a door bell and allowing her to keep the doors locked. Council addressed Renee on how she felt or any suggestions. Discussion took place.

Mr. Turnbull asked Renee if she was going to post her hours on the doors for the Public. Renee advised Council that her hours were already on the recorded phone message and she will post a notice on both doors. Mr. Starn mentioned that the hours should also be posted on the web site

Mr. Turnbull asked about a desk chair for Renee. Discussion took place. No Authorization needed if purchased under $150.00

Mr. Turnbull volunteered to donate a computer desk to Renee.

Mr. Turnbull questioned why Bob was not cutting the grass and why we were paying someone to cut the grass. Mr. Starn stated that it took Bob 2 days
to cut the grass and we are paying someone $40 to cut the grass. Discussion took place

**Streets and Sewers Committee:**
Chad McMillen, Solicitor requested a motion to authorize DCED approval the execution of the Ordinance #267. Chad said the Ordinance was advertised, however, after the execution of the Ordinance we also need to advertise it again because DCED requires that it be advertised twice. Also need authorization for the advertisement. That will conclude the ordinance and advertisement portion on the DCED requirement. Mr. Bellan motioned to approve ordinance #267 seconded by Jim Turnbull. Discussion took Place PASSED UNANIMOUS Mr. Bellan made a motion to approve the 2nd advertisement for Ordinance #267 second by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS

**Recreation Committee**
Discussion took place on purchasing a load of safe surface mulch for the playground. Norm stated this was just an FYI. Mulch runs approximately $800/$900. A motion was made by Mr. Landman to purchase a load of safety mulch for the playground area and second by Ms. Muhlberger. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Ms. Muhlberger inquired about Community Days and the Committee getting together to organize. Discussion took place.

**Recycling and Refuse Committee**
Annual Recycling Report for Calendar Year 2014. Mr. Starn discussed with Norm and asked if he knew anything about the report. Norm advised Council that the annual report had already been completed and turned into Holly.

**Budget and Finance Committee**
Discussion took place about adjusting the pay periods for Bob to have a waiting period before the paychecks are disbursed. An example discussed was to have the pay period start Sunday thru Saturday and paid the following Friday (bi-weekly). Suggestion was made by Mr. Turnbull to sit down and discuss with Bob. Mr. Starn advised Council discussion will continue next month. Mr. Turnbull asked about the amusement tax. Discussion took place. Questions were addressed to Norm. Mr. Turnbull made a motion to drop the investigation and audit of the amusement tax for the golf course and was second by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS

**Rental Prop and Maintenance Inspection Committee**
Applications for Rental & Occupancy License Letters for 2014
Ms. Muhlberger asked if the letters were mailed out yet. Renee responded that the letters were already to be mailed and postage was needed. Mr. Muhlberger asked Tom “Norm” what do we do with the money that gets collected. Norm responded funds are deposited into our regular account. He also stated that every 2 years a rental gets inspected then John Balser will bill us $75.00 plus there are administrative costs involved by D. L. Pella. Norm stated we would basically break even because we are no allowed to make money. Make discussion took place.

**New Business**
**Letter from Council regarding financial condition 2012 and 2013**
Mr. Starn read the letters he wrote to the auditors per Auditor’s request. Discussion took place. Mr. Bellan made a motion to authorize Council to sign the letters stating that we agree to the best of our knowledge that our 2012 books were proper and correct. Second by Mr. Landman PASSED UNANIMOUS

**Update Web Page -** Was already discussed

**Authorization for Renee to sign checks**
Discussion took place on signing checks. Mr. Turnbull made a motion for Council to write a letter to authorize PNC bank to make Bill Starn, Renee Cameron, Julie Muhlberger and Jim Turnbull to sign PNC checks and that the Secretary/Treasurer must be on each check as one signature. Second by Mr. Bellan. PASSED UNANIMOUS Discussion took place.

Julie submitted a model from COG requesting that in the future our Minutes and Treasure’s Report be modeled like COG. Discussion took place. Mr. Starn stated for Renee to review it and let Council know next month.

PNC Proposal handouts were passed out to Council to review. Will discuss next month

**Officer Reports**
Mayor - Nothing to report (Aluseo)
Zoning Board/Code - N/A (MDIA)
COG - (Muhlberger)
Ms. Muhlberger stated that COG is having a dinner reception
For the newly elected municipal officials On Thursday, 4/24/14
From 7 – 9 pm in Monaca. If you are not planning on attending you will still get
A certificate. If you plan on attending let Renee know so she can submit your name.
Ms. Muhlberger addressed to Renee that there is a Managers/Secretaries Meeting
the 3rd Thursday of the quarter. Norm stated that the meetings are always held on
the 2nd floor on the Monaca Municipal bldg. Invites are sent via email per Norm.
Ms. Muhlberger discussed on May 1, 2014 in Allegheny County there is a Driver Safety
Course for Bob. If interested in having Bob attend the number to call is: 1800 367-5827
Emergency Management Coordinator (Bellan)
Solicitor (McMillen)
Chad McMillen asked for an amended motion to approve to change the #268
ordinance to #269. Motion was made by Mr. Bellan second by Mr. Landman PASSED
UNANIMOUS
Monthly Bills: It was motioned by Mr. Bellan to pay the monthly bills for April amending the list to include Tom Ely’s full paycheck on the list, seconded by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS
Mr. Turnbull made a motion to end Norm’s temporary employment as of April 30, 2014 second by Ms. Muhlberger. Roll Call was taken for a vote. (4) Yes (2) No’s Mr. Starn asked Norm if he would still be available by phone. Pam Barsottini asked should Renee still need some help and she had to ask Norm a question can Norm be paid? Or is he supposed to help her on his own because it would be his choice to do so. No Discussion took place. The meeting was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Bellan, second by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS at 9:25 pm
Bill Starn, President
Renee Cameron, Secretary/Treasurer

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Best Wishes to all!!

From the Editor ~

Our dining room window is our bird-watching window – winter and summer – David and I so enjoy watching the “neighborhood” birds especially the two hawks that fly through almost daily, sometimes stopping to survey the possibilities of a possible dinner! The other day we looked up from breakfast to see a Pileated Woodpecker (aka Woody the Woodpecker) perched on the split rail fence at the back of our yard! How fortunate we are to have such interesting wildlife in our midst. I’m wondering if perhaps a Patterson Heights resident might be interested in submitting an occasional article about the bird life in the Heights? If so, please give me a
call or send me an email, I’d love to talk to you about this.
This issue has quite a bit of community news – we are introduced to the Renee Cameron, our new Borough Secretary, Ann Bender has submitted some gardening information, Pam Barsottini has reported on the Neighborhood Watch and also submitted some jokes, Sue Pokego introduces us to “Honey” and “Duck”, Xander and Will introduce us to the summer youth program they are planning and, of course, we recognize our High School graduates. I hope you enjoy hearing all this news and will submit your community news for future issues.
As always, I want to thank the many people who work diligently to get the View into your homes. This truly is a “community” publication and I am so grateful for the support. Thanks to all!

Ruthanne