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TOWN OF McCANDLESS

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## Manager's Message



*Town Manager, Tobias M. Cordek with Assistant, Edith Liguori.*

The Town of McCandless is a community of dynamic growth. Lifelong residents have seen a rural township with few neighbors develop into one of the more populous "suburbs" of Pittsburgh. The transition was inevitable but

the best of both worlds blends to form an enviable home for all of us.

Past township commissioners and today's Town Council have carefully perceived and orchestrated a community which has earned the respect of not only its North Hills neighbors but Allegheny Countians and Western Pennsylvanians. The Town's reputation of public safety, good roads and progressive government is well earned.

In the past few months, Town Council and employees have worked diligently on a variety of tasks — some quite challenging, for growing pains always accompany expansion. Some of the highlights of recent Town activity appear inside this newsletter. We are currently nearing the end of extended negotiations to enhance cable television service. We have just seen a nagging winter of seemingly endless one and two inch snowstorms finally let us go. Spring is a welcome relief to those who have kept our streets clear from November through April.

Discussions and plans are underway about how we can increase participation in our volunteer fire companies whose members continue to freely give their time to protect our lives and property around the clock. Similarly, a volunteer emergency management coordinator has been named to analyze our disaster response resources and prepare procedures for coordinated response to disasters. And, of course, countless "behind the scenes" administrative functions occur to collectively keep our Town going.

McCandless is a Town to be proud of. To govern it fairly and progressively proves exciting and challenging. I look forward to doing my part. I am glad to be here.

Tobias M. Cordek



## Handicapped Compliance

The McCandless Town Hall is looking into updating the Town Hall in compliance with the Federal Government of the Office of Revenue Sharing. The following facilities for the physical disabled persons the Town is working on are: elevators, ramps, doors and doorways, rest rooms, water fountains, identification (for rooms or offices), walkways, curbs, parking lots, entrances, stairs, floors, floor coverings, public telephones and public meeting rooms. The Town is also to deliver programs, services in alternative manner or at a more accessible site, perform home visits to provide services, benefits, provide auxiliary aids to improve service provision, modify or redesign facility or equipment and public notices to blind or hearing impaired persons.

Governments are not necessarily required to make each existing facility, or every part of an existing facility accessible to and usable by the handicapped. However, it is expected that governments will ensure that their programs and activities, when viewed in their entirety, are accessible and usable by handicapped individuals.

## Council Highlights — 1984

### DECEMBER 19, 1983

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #875, amending Ordinance #856 appropriating certain monies for the fiscal year 1983.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #876, authorizing the borrowing of tax anticipation monies in the amount of \$497,186.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #877, rezoning property located at 9598 Harmony Drive (currently owned by Philip A. Brunn, III) from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-2 (neighborhood shopping) as per the request of Charley Brothers.

Ordinance #875, an ordinance setting the real estate tax rate for the calendar year 1984 and approving the Town budget for the year 1984, was adopted.

Resolution #14 of 1983, establishing the 1984 meeting schedule for Town Council and other boards, was adopted.

Resolution #15 of 1983, reestablishing a deposit account with Equibank for the payment of hospitalization costs, was adopted.

Ordinance #876, amending Ordinance #856 appropriating certain monies for the fiscal year 1983, was adopted.

The request of Alfred E. Thomson, III for an extension of the land development time constraints for the development of the Arcadia property along McKnight Road until December 19, 1984 was approved.

The two lot subdivision request of Albert and Rosemarie Hermann for their property located on Inwood Road and Van Dyke Drive was unanimously approved.

The preliminary plat submission of the Gigliotti three lot subdivision for property located on Kummer Road was unanimously approved contingent upon the fact that Lot 3 shall not be further subdivided and that that restriction be clearly stated and shown on the plan.

The preliminary plat application for a 69 lot subdivision to be known as the Forest Trails Plan of Lots located on Richard Road as submitted by Precision Equities was unanimously approved conditioned upon the language being inserted in the appropriate place on the plan which indicates these developers and successors and assigns will not request a rezoning and if and when Lot 35 is further developed it will be developed only in single family residential.

The two lot subdivision request of William F. and Ella F. Cousins for their property located on Kummer Road was unanimously approved.

Resolution #16 of 1983 which declares 1983-1992 as the Decade of Disabled Persons, was adopted.

# CABLE TELEVISION

For nearly two years, the Town of McCandless has conducted negotiations with Centre Video, its cable provider. Centre Video is the local subsidiary of Telecommunications, Inc. (TCI) whose headquarters are in Denver, Colorado. An agreement is close at hand. During the past several months the negotiations have culminated in a proposed agreement which has reached the home office of TCI. Centre Video has been providing cable television service in McCandless since 1970.

This current series of negotiations focuses on several key new provisions of service. The highlights of the proposed agreement include the provision of at least 24 channels within one year after the signing of the contract by the Town and Centre Video. This new service will have the capability of carrying up to 54 channels. Centre Video has already indicated that the following channels will be available within the contractual time frame: 2, 4, 7 (Wheeling), 9 (Steubenville), 11, 13, 16, 22, 40, 53, 9 WOR (New York), 17 WTBS (Atlanta), 6 (Johnstown), and Metro Data, which shows local meeting information and other items of community interest. In addition to the above channels, Centre Video also proposes several satellite services. I. Cable News Network, Time Weather Channel, Music TV (MTV), USA Network, ESPN and C-Span (Congressional Channel). Included among the original 24 channels is a governmental access/educational access channel which will provide local groups, organizations and agencies the opportunity to televise special noteworthy and informative functions and events. At least three paid television services must be available according to the proposed contract. Currently, Centre Video plans to offer HBO, the Disney channel, Showtime and Cinemax. With their added channel capability, Centre Video has indicated that they will continue to strive to provide expanded up-to-date programming. Among the additional 30 channel potential, an additional local access channel will be reserved.

In order to receive the new service package, a television channel converter will be given to each customer as part of the monthly service charge. This will allow each customer to receive the extended service. Rates are expected to parallel those of neighboring communities and will probably be at \$8.00 per month for the basic service when additional channels are ready to be offered.

Most of us will be glad to know that Centre Video has already ordered a new telephone system which will provide them with additional telephone lines so that they may receive trouble calls, complaints and suggestions. Similarly, the contract is expected to include provisions which will insure that customers will receive continued good quality service. Several standards of performance are built into the proposed agreement including 48 hour deadline for repairs to be made to the system where service has been discontinued or disrupted. If a service discontinuance or disruption extends beyond 48 hours, a customer either individually or through the Town will receive restored service or a pro rata credit on the monthly service billing. An

## Council Highlights *(Continued)*

### JANUARY 3, 1984

Various appointments were made.

Resolution #1 of 1984 was adopted which established the amount when competitive bidding shall not be required for contracts for labor, material, supplies or services.

Ordinance #877, authorizing the borrowing in anticipation of current taxes and revenue and issuance of a tax anticipation note for the calendar year 1984, was adopted.

The North Hills News Record, Pittsburgh Post Gazette and Pittsburgh Press were appointed as official newspapers for advertising the Town's legal notices.

The following appointments to Boards or Commissions were made:

— Nancy Palmer was reappointed to a four year term to the Town of McCandless Planning Commission.

— George Russell was reappointed to a three year term to the Town of McCandless Zoning Hearing Board.

— Otis Franklin was reappointed to a five year term on the McCandless Township Sanitary Authority.

— Robert G. Maloney was reappointed to a five year term to the McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority.

— Thomas G. Mohr was appointed to a five year term to the McCandless Industrial Development Authority.

— Andrew P. Goodman was reappointed to a five year term to the North Allegheny Joint Authority.

### JANUARY 23, 1984

Ordinance #878, amending Ordinance #704, "The Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless", by amending Article 325 entitled "Deed Transfer Tax" to redefine the term "document", was adopted.

The amended subdivision for Lots 24 thru 28 of the G. J. Brant Plan of Lots 2 located on Harmony Road changing the total number of lots to four instead of five as submitted by John Sandin was unanimously approved.

An exception of the subdivision regulations by waiving the installation of sidewalks on the proposed amended subdivision for lots 24 thru 28 of the G. J. Brant Plan of Lots 2 located on Harmony Road as submitted by John Sandin was unanimously approved.

The conditional use application by John Sandin to construct three duplexes and remodel the single family dwelling on the proposed amended G. J. Brant Subdivision was unanimously approved.

The request of St. Alexis Manor for a one year extension of the land development time constraints to maintain the R-6 zoning classification for property located on Old Perry Highway was unanimously approved until February 28, 1985.

Resolution #2 of 1984, making application for a permit to install and operate a traffic signal at the southern intersection of Corporate Drive and Babcock Boulevard, was unanimously adopted.

Resolution #3 of 1984, amending Resolution #4 of 1978, Resolution #10 of 1978 and Resolution #14 of 1982 establishing standards and specifications for paving, grading, drainage and retention systems within the Town, was unanimously adopted.

Resolution #4 of 1984, authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities of Allegheny County and the exception of an agreement with regard to that acceptance, all in relation to the installation of a traffic signal system located at the intersection of Babcock Boulevard, Ingomar Road and Wildwood Road located in North Park, Allegheny County, was adopted.

### FEBRUARY 27, 1984

The rezoning request of Charley Brothers/Shop and Save for property located at 9598 Harmony Drive from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-2 (neighborhood shopping) to accommodate a parking lot and an addition to the Shop and Save supermarket was unanimously denied.

The final plan submission of a 69 lot subdivision known as the Forest Trails Plan of Lots located on Richard and Meinert Roads, as submitted by Precision Equities, Inc. was unanimously approved.

The final plat submission of a three lot subdivision known as the Kummer Farms Plan II located on Kummer Road, as submitted by Dominic and Marie Gigliotti, was unanimously approved.

The site plan submission of North Allegheny School District for a bus garage to be constructed on the Intermediate High School property was unanimously approved.

The site plan submission of Camelot Coal for a second office building to be located in the Rinaman Commons Plan, Rinaman Road, was unanimously approved.

Resolution #5 of 1984, amending Resolution #4 of 1978, Resolution #10 of 1978, Resolution #14 of 1982 and Resolution #3 of 1984, establishing standards and specifications for paving, grading, drainage and retention systems within the Town of McCandless, was unanimously adopted.

Resolution #6 of 1984, naming Saturday, April 28, 1984, "Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Day" in the Town of McCandless, was unanimously adopted.

### MARCH 5, 1984

The site plan submission of T.G.I. Friday's Restaurant located on Corporate Drive, Pittsburgh Office & Research Park (Radice property), was unanimously approved.

Resolution #7 of 1984 was adopted wherein the Town agrees to enter into an agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for snow and ice control on Babcock Boulevard and Peebles Road within the Town of McCandless.

annual review of service capability and performance will be conducted by the Town.

As soon as the proposed agreement is returned by TCI and its contents are agreed

upon by both parties, it will be adopted by ordinance and the service upgrade can begin. We, at the Town Hall, as well as all residents anxiously await this moment.



## Council Highlights *(Continued)*

### MARCH 26, 1984

Citizen awards were presented to Philip B. Hindley and Allen W. Jackson.

Annual service awards were presented to the members of volunteer fire companies.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #880, rezoning property located on Thompson Run Road from C-1 (commercial recreation) to C-3 (highway commercial) as per the request of Dennis Mascari.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #881, rezoning property located on Ingomar Road from 1 (institutional) to R-2 (one and two family residential) as per the request of North Park Evangelical Church.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #883, rezoning property located on Ingomar Road from R-2 (one and two family residential) to 1 (institutional) as per the request of North Park Evangelical Church.

A motion was made and passed unanimously to rescind all prior appointments to the Volunteer Firemen's Financial Advisory Committee.

The following were unanimously appointed members of the Volunteer Services Fire Finance Committee: Chairman of the Services Committee, Chairman of the Finance Committee, one representative from each fire company, the Town Manager or designee and the Town Fire Marshal.

The resignation of Gordon E. Neuenschwander from the McCandless Industrial Development Authority was accepted.

Roy Biddle was appointed to the McCandless Industrial Development Authority.

The contingency placed on the final plat approval of the Forest Oaks PRD dated October 22, 1979, that Austin Contracting secure a right-of-way agreement for the off-site drainage facility on Richard Road was removed. A new contingent that Austin Contracting, on behalf of the developer, makes an escrow payment of \$10,000 to the Town of McCandless for the installation of approximately 75' of 60" corrugated metal pipe from the south side of Richard Road adjacent to the Richard Eichner home downstream toward Fish Run, all of which is based upon the ability of the Town of McCandless to secure a right-of-way from the King and Eichner families for this work within 30 days of this date at no cost or no liability to the Town of McCandless was approved.

The final English Farms Plat made for J-3 Corporation, located on Rochester Road, contingent upon no development in the Town of McCandless being undertaken, was unanimously approved.

An addendum to the Radice land development agreement establishing the time parameters for the installation of a traffic signal at the southerly corner of Corporate Drive and Babcock Boulevard to be consistent with PennDOT requirements for installation of same was unanimously approved.

A contract was awarded to Wine Construction Company, the lowest responsible bidder, for the scarification and dust oil treatment program at a price of 80¢ per square yard.

### APRIL 23, 1984

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance #885, rezoning property located on Corporate Drive and Babcock Boulevard from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-7 (general office) as per the request of Radice Realty, Inc.

Ordinance #879, amending Part Seventeen of the Building Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, by adding a new Article 1715, entitled "Logging", was unanimously adopted.

Ordinance #880, rezoning property located on Thompson Run Road from C-1 (commercial recreation) to C-3 (highway commercial) as per the request of Dennis Mascari was unanimously adopted.

The subdivision request of Dennis Mascari for property located on Thompson Run Road immediately abutting the YWCA property and the Mascari Auto Body property was unanimously approved.

Ordinance #881, rezoning property located along Ingomar Road from 1 (institutional) to R-2 (one and two family residential) as per the request of North Park Evangelical Church was unanimously adopted.

Ordinance #882, rezoning property located on Ingomar Road from R-2 (one and two family residential) to 1 (institutional) as per the request of North Park Evangelical Church was unanimously adopted.

The preliminary plat submission for the Pine Run 68 lot subdivision located on Thompson Run Road and Bretton Way as submitted by Raymond H. Smith, Inc. was unanimously approved contingent upon the following: (1) The developer secure the necessary DER permits to facilitate the installation of a bridge to accommodate Pin Oak Drive. (2) Recorded deed restrictions indicating that nothing may be built or placed in any area designated as retention swales or the like. (3) Establishment of an escrow fund in an amount sufficient to replace a planted island on Pin Oak Drive with asphalt should be necessary ever occur. (4) Submission of engineering drawings to accommodate H-20 loading criteria for the bridge over Pin Oak Drive, and (5) installation of a sidewalk as per Town specifications between the existing right-of-way for Thompson Run Road and the extended right-of-way for Thompson Run Road.

The simple subdivision request of Ernest V. Vesely for property located on Germain Road was unanimously approved.

The simple subdivision request of Madia Homes for property located on Inwood Road was unanimously approved.

A three month extension of the site plan for the Showcase Emporium as submitted by National Amusements, Inc. to expire July 31, 1984 was unanimously approved.

Resolution #8 of 1984, authorizing the members of the volunteer fire departments located within the Town of McCandless and the members and employees of the McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority to perform certain extended duties, was unanimously adopted.

### MAY 7, 1984

Resolution #9 of 1984, amending Resolution #7 of 1984 wherein the Town agrees to enter into an agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for snow and ice control on Babcock Boulevard and Peebles Road within the Town of McCandless and authorizes the Council President to sign the appropriate documents, was unanimously adopted.

## Soccer Field Opens In Fall

The new McCandless soccer field is being readied for use beginning September 1, 1984. A key element to the opening of the new recreational facility is the completion of an adjacent parking area. Located on Ingomar Road, entrance for cars is off Grubbs Road, next to the McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority building.

The field will be available for scheduled use April through June and September through November. Use will be by permit only issued on a "first-come, first-served" basis. It is recommended that permit applications are made before August 15th.

Off-season use of the field is discretionary with its availability being indicated by "Open" and "Closed" signs.



## Future Developments

The spring of '84 generated renewed interest in developments within the Town of McCandless. Several new endeavors are currently in the stages of either the approval process or construction.

— A third building owned by T.G.I. Friday's has been started in the Pittsburgh Office and Research Park owned by Radice Corporation of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. T.G.I. Friday's Restaurant, located on Corporate Drive, is well under construction. This particular structure may also be seen from McKnight Road. The T.G.I. Friday building will encompass approximately 10,000 square feet of restaurant space and will open approximately August 1st.

— Sheetz Convenience Stores has begun construction of their building located at Old Perry Highway and Perry Highway approximately 1/4 mile south of the West View Water Authority's water tower. The Sheetz facility is expected to open approximately July 15, 1984.

— The Forest Oaks townhouse development located on Richard Road continues to make progress with the installation of the storm sewers and sanitary sewers. It is anticipated the initial buildings will be constructed during the summer of '84. When finished, a total of 217 units are contemplated.

— Town Council approved a 69 lot subdivision located on Richard Road to be developed by Precision Equities. The subdivision will be known as the Forest Trail Plan of lots and is expected to commence construction in the summer of '84.

— Austin Contracting has begun work on a 72 lot subdivision known as the Country Manor

Plan of lots located on Rinaman Road. This particular plan is expected to be well under construction during the summer of '84.

— The Barn Swallow Plan being co-developed by Bernhard Realty and Sandin Thomas-Century 21 Realty has had the initial earth work completed and the road installed. It is expected homes will be erected on this site this summer.

— A 5 lot subdivision known as the B.K. Victor Plan of lots is under construction along Ingomar Road. This particular plan is located directly across from the Showcase Cinema property.

Several other major developments have been proposed to the Town for consideration. Residents should be aware the Planning Commission and Town Council review all major developments proposed. The Planning Commission meets the first Tuesday of every month to review new plans as they are submitted. The Zoning Committee of Town Council further reviews these plans during their meeting scheduled for the second Monday of every month. Town Council then takes a formal action on these proposals at their regularly scheduled Business Meeting the fourth Monday of each month. Residents are urged to attend these meetings for comment to Council members.

Any resident desiring information on development proposals as well as existing developments within the Town of McCandless may visit the Town Hall zoning office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Recreational Permits

Use of Town recreational facilities — ball field and new soccer field — is by permit only. Permits are issued to community residents and local organizations who conduct activities deemed beneficial to the Town. Facilities are never rented to any person or group.

### POLICY GUIDE LINES

1. Application forms to request use of fields are available in the town manager's office weekdays during regular business hours. All permit applicants must appear personally.
2. Definite playing schedules are required and must be submitted to the town manager. No blanket type requests will be considered.
3. Applications approved by the town manager are subject to review and final approval of the town council.
4. Those authorized to use town facilities must have the permit in their possession when utilizing the facility. (Permits must be available for inspection by town officials and police personnel upon request.)
5. Only that facility indicated on the approved permit may be used by the group.

### PERMIT FEES

1. If a sponsoring group is composed of 90% or more town residents NO fee is charged.
2. Inter-Community groups composed of 50% or more town residents must pay a \$75.00 fee.
3. Non-community groups must pay a \$150.00 fee.
4. Appropriate fees must accompany permit applications. Checks are to be made payable to: Town of McCandless.

### CONDITIONS OF USE

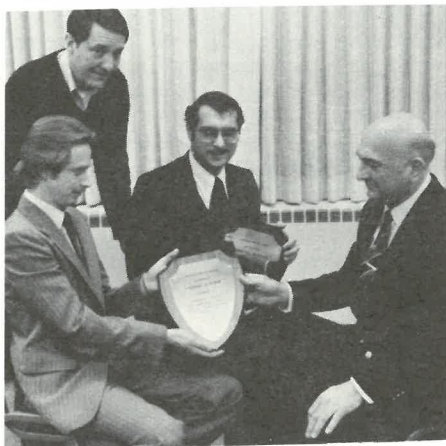
1. Hours of use are between 8:00 a.m. and dark.
2. Users are required to remove any debris left after use of the facility.
3. Users of facilities are liable for any damage to town property.

## Fire-Class Rating Revised

The Town has received written notice from the Insurance Services Office (I.S.O.) on February 26, 1984 that we are now a Class "4" based on a scale of 1 to 10 with "10" representing less than minimum protection. Only five other municipalities out of 130 in Allegheny County have earned this excellent rating. In the entire state of Pennsylvania, only 30 municipalities (mainly large cities) have a comparable rating.

Our businesses and institutions of the Town of McCandless should be very proud of this rate change and especially thankful to the volunteer fire fighters and the ability to keep up with the modern changes and scientific fire-fighting techniques. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Property and business owners do not have the task of notifying their insurance companies of this change, as all insurance companies will automatically credit your premiums (if eligible) if your address is shown as *Town of McCandless* on your policy. You will NOT receive credit if only your ZIP code location identification is shown.

## Citizen Awards Presented



*McCandless Police Lieutenant, Ralph J. LeDonne looks on as Public Safety Chairman, Gerard Aufman, Jr. present Citizen Awards to Allen W. Jackson (R) and Phillip B. Hindley (L) for their assistance to police personnel.*

4. All groups using town facilities must have liability insurance to include bodily injury and property damage.
5. No alcoholic beverages or drugs are permitted on town property.
6. Profane or vulgar language is not permitted.
7. No form of gambling, including the sale of tickets-of-chance, is permitted. Nor, is solicitation of donations in exchange for tickets of admission.
8. Parking is restricted to areas posted or indicated.

**NOTE:** The Town of McCandless reserves the right to reject any or all applicants requesting use of facilities. It also reserves the right to revoke a permit — temporarily or permanently — when there is a lack of general supervision, evidence of poor conduct, or disregard of "Conditions of Use".

## Disaster Planning

McCandless Town Council has recommended Mr. Martin Sanvito to be appointed Emergency Management Coordinator by the Governor of the Commonwealth. Upon appointment he will set up plans, within the State of Pennsylvania's Emergency Management Program, to deal with disasters (natural or man-made) within the Town.



*Mr. Martin Sanvito*

Mr. Sanvito will work with local, county and state officials to evaluate the Town's ability to cope with disasters. If such an occurrence does take place he will coordinate activities such as relocating the sick and injured or the safe and orderly evacuation of our citizens should the need arise. His position is inter-related to others with comparable duties statewide and may call upon specialized teams to assist in local emergencies.

Mr. Sanvito earned Bachelor and Master Degrees at the University of Pittsburgh and worked for a number of years for the State of New Jersey on developing disaster plans and reactions to emergencies. He also held positions in New Jersey's and Pennsylvania's Departments of Health.

Mr. Sanvito's belief in civic responsibility is evidenced in volunteering his time and expertise in this vital position. For this, he has the grateful thanks of Town of McCandless Officials and residents. His unassuming nature and reluctance for recognition was demonstrated when asked what assistance he would require. His answer? "Just some paper and pencils".

## Soccer Field Site of Benefit

Although not scheduled for regular use until September, Council has given permission for a Cystic Fibrosis benefit soccer tournament to be played July 21st (rain date — July 28th). Sixteen (16) area teams, 12 years old and younger, will participate beginning at 9:00 a.m. Trophies and awards will be presented to youngsters participating.

The tournament will be the first use of McCandless's newest recreational facilities. There will be no admission charge for spectators; nor, will donations be solicited. Refreshments will be available at a concession stand, with all proceeds going to the CF Foundation.

To make the occasion more memorable, members of the Pittsburgh Spirit Soccer Team are expected to make an appearance.



# Of Interest To Residents

## Elected Officials

### Councilmen (4 Year Term)

Ward	Expires
1—J. Howard Womsley	1987
2—Gerard Aufman, Jr.	1985
3—Elaine F. Farmer	1985
4—Robert J. Powers	1985
5—Harold W. Moores	1987
6—Thomas G. Mohr	1985
7—James H. Brahney	1987

### Other Elected Officials

#### District Magistrate (6 Year Term)

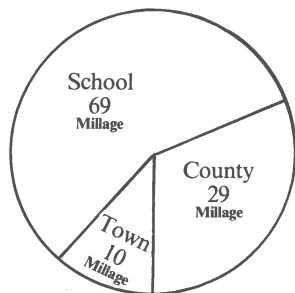
Ralph Freedman ..... 1987

**Burning Not Allowed** — Burning of rubbish, garbage, trash, material made of/or coated with rubber, plastic or petroleum based materials, paper, wood, hay, straw, weeds or litter of any type is prohibited to be kindled or maintained by any type of bonfire or any such fire. If diseased trees must be burned, an Allegheny County Health Department permit is required in addition to a \$25.00 permit issued by the Town Fire Marshal.

**Fireworks Illegal** — It is unlawful for any person to store, to offer for sale, expose for sale, sell at retail, or USE or EXPLODE any firework within the Town of McCandless. This ordinance encompasses all devices of combustible or explosive composition including sparklers. The Town Fire Marshal shall seize, take, remove or cause to remove — at the expense of the owner — all stocks of fireworks held in violation. For each offense a \$300 fine under the Town Fire Code.

**Police Chief Elected** — McCandless Police Chief, Patrick McCabe, has been elected President of the Police Chiefs Association of Western Pennsylvania. Chief McCabe became a McCandless police officer in 1953 and has served in his present position since 1973.

**Taxes Due** — Town of McCandless real estate tax is now due. If you have any questions, please call Audrey Graper at the Town Hall during business hours. The number is 364-0616. Of every dollar paid in real estate taxes, only ten cents (10¢) is retained by the Town of McCandless. All the services enjoyed by our community are provided by this small percentage of real estate taxes. "Quite a bargain!"



**Traffic Signals** — A program is now underway to clean and paint all traffic signals utilizing McCandless Public Works Department personnel. A new, specially equipped truck was purchased so that outside contractors would not be needed to perform this important maintenance.

**Roads and Streets** — According to Public Works Department Superintendent, Mark Sabina, nine (9) miles of Town roads and streets will be resurfaced or reconstructed this year. Scheduled for improvements are: To be reconstructed (provided rights-of-way and drainage is installed): Pine Road to Rolhouse;

Brooks Road to Valley Road; and, Marymont Road. To be milled and resurfaced: Park Meadows (entire plan); Red Coach Road; Powers Drive; and Griffith Drive. Three (3) additional miles of roads to be resurfaced will be announced later.

**Volunteers Needed** — An article in this issue stresses the need for additional active volunteer firemen. Many residents cannot participate in fire fighting but they can help in other ways. Tradesmen (electricians, plumbers, etc.) are needed for building maintenance; bookkeepers to work on fire company records; and, volunteers to maintain grounds (Garden Clubs please note). If you wish to help, please contact a Volunteer Fire Company in your area.

**Snow and Ice Control** — Public Works Department personnel and equipment were kept busy controlling ice and snow last winter. They were called upon on 73 different occasions clearing 104 miles of roads and streets from November through March. The cost for labor, materials and equipment was \$223,247.09. McCandless maintains 15 miles of State roads for which it was paid \$13,920.69. This amount is less than maintenance actually costs. But, the service is provided by the Town for the safety and convenience of residents.

## Police Report

**Speed Monitor** — McCandless Police are now making extensive use of ESP (Excessive Speed Preventer). The device monitors the speed of vehicles within a very short distance of roadway. Locations for operating ESP are chosen after assessing traffic conditions within the Town.

**Pet Control** — Residents are again reminded that dogs must be licensed and not permitted to run-at-large. They must be confined to the owner's property, or, on a leash when being exercised. Unrestrained pets can be a nuisance to neighbors; cause possible physical injury to children; and, are in danger of injury by vehicles. Chief McCabe also cites an ordinance making periodic rabies shots for all dogs mandatory and says the ordinance is enforced.

**House Identification** — Your Police Department is asking all residents to make sure house numbers are prominently displayed. This benefits all emergency services when time is of the essence. Numbers on both sides of mailboxes or on fronts of houses are recommended. The latter is particularly necessary when mailboxes are remotely located from houses and when residents utilize post office boxes in lieu of carrier-delivery.



**Driver Sight Obstruction** — Property owners are responsible for proper maintenance and trimming of trees, shrubs and other foliage which might obstruct a driver's view of other traffic, particularly at intersections. Section 6112 of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code calls for a \$10.00 per day fine for each day a sight obstruction problem is not corrected.

**Drunk Driving** — Suppression (and eventual elimination) of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs continues to be of high priority to the Police Department. Although an ultimate police responsibility, the prevention lies with the driver, his or her family and their friends. People can be quickly "caught up" in

the enjoyment of picnics or social functions and soon become unfit to drive. If a person does not recognize this inability, then another should see to it that the individual does not drive. A personal slogan should be, "I won't stand by and see an inebriate drive!"

**Open Season for Crime** — Summer can offer an open invitation to perpetrators of crime. Closed windows and doors give way to screens. Garage doors remain open when running a short errand. Lawn and garden tools are left outside for the night. Houses are left open and unattended while visiting nearby neighbors. All, are invitations to property loss and, in some instances, a threat to personal safety. Criminals can, and do, enter even the most secure of houses. Don't make it easier for them to include you among their victims.

**Crime Watch** — Although organized crime watch is discussed in our community, and practiced in others, the best crime deterrent is personal vigilance. Observing suspicious activity — and promptly reporting it to your Police Department — can prevent crime from occurring. Nothing is too seemingly unimportant to report! Police respond quickly to investigate any and all calls. You can assist them while protecting yours and your neighbor's well-being by your prompt action.

## "Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Day"

On Saturday, April 28th and Saturday, May 5th, a total of 266 participants (out of a total of 308 scheduled to work) picked up all trash and litter from 13-3/10's miles of roadway (both sides).

Our people were Brownies, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Indian Guides and Junion Women's Clubs. The total amount collected filled five (5) single axle dump trucks (same size as the Town Road Department) and two-thirds of a tandem dump, all supplied by PennDOT with traffic control. Everyone did an excellent job.

Roads cleaned up are as follows: Babcock Boulevard from North Park Pool to North Park Lounge — Boy Scout Troop #329. Highland Road from Highland Volunteer Fire Department to Ingomar Road — Boy Scout Troop #335. Ingomar Road from Perry Highway to Kummer Road including the clover leaf and ramp to McKnight Road — Boy Scout Troop #171. Blazier Drive from Old Perry Highway to Security First Federal S/L and Blazier Drive from Sweet Williams Restaurant, in and around intersection of McKnight Road and Blazier Drive — Y.M.C.A. Indian Guides. Cumberland Road from Northland Library to Babcock Boulevard — Brownie Troop #793B. Duncan Avenue from Hubbard Road to Thompson Run Road and Thompson Run Road from Ferguson Road to Busch Nurseries — Cub Scout Troop #329. Pine Creek Road from Perry Highway to Franklin Park line — Brownie Troops #311, 501, 756, 401 and 1721. Sloop Road from Willoughby Road left onto Rochester to Ross Township line — Perry Highland Jr. Women's Club. Peebles Road from North Park Swimming Pool to Duncan Avenue — Brownie Troops #231, 811, 177 and 1167. Duncan Avenue from Duncan Manor Shopping Center to Remington Drive — Brownie Troops #909B and 1079. Old Perry Highway from Neuhart Boulevard along the bank of McKnight Road to 9955 Old Perry Highway — Brownie Troops #132, 548 and 581.

## Helpful . . . Not Helpless

The piercing sound of a siren makes us all pause and be thankful our loved ones and property are not in peril. But, the sound does mean that someone, somewhere is not as fortunate. A life-endangering, property-destroying fire is an awesome, sickening sight. Think for a moment if one happened to your neighbor's home. Would you want to do more than just watch? Of course you would! And, we'd like to offer a suggestion. Become a volunteer fireman.

Being a volunteer fireman is a great way to do something important for your community and for yourself. It offers a reward that few



others can match; the respect and appreciation of those you serve. But regardless of recognition, a volunteer fire-fighter is one who just wants to help.

It takes a special person to fill a volunteer fire-fighter's boots. Besides dedication, it takes courage; willingness to do hard work; and, accepting the challenge of a difficult job.

Because the job is so important, all fire-fighters are expertly trained and provided the best possible equipment.

If you believe you're this type of person, and you qualify for this kind of a job, you're needed as a volunteer fireman. Peebles Volunteer Fire Company — in particular — needs new members right now. Their manpower is down to a dangerously low number. Your help is desperately needed! Come down to a fire station in your area or call Highland Volunteer Fire Company (Jim Hough, 364-5619); Ingomar Fire Company (Gerry Aufman, 364-1814 or Tom Scholl, 364-8539); or Fire Marshal Richard Wagner, at the Town Hall, 364-0616.

Watching a fire can be a helpless feeling. Visit a fire company today. They might be able to fit you with a hat, coat and a pair of boots. And, be assured . . . you'll be proud to wear them.

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## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS — 1984

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### JULY

- 2nd — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 3rd — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 4th — Independence Day, 7:30 p.m.
- 5th — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 9th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 23rd — Council's Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 26th — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.

### AUGUST

- 2nd — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 6th — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 7th — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 13th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 23rd — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 27th — Council's Regular Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER

- 3rd — Labor Day, Town Offices Closed
- 4th — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 4th — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 6th — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 10th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 24th — Council's Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 27th — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.

### OCTOBER

- 1st — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 2nd — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 4th — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 8th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 22nd — Council's Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 25th — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.

### NOVEMBER

- 1st — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 5th — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 7th — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 12th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 22nd — Thanksgiving, Town Offices Closed
- 26th — Council's Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 29th — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.

### DECEMBER

- 3rd — Public Safety, Public Works, Services, Recreation Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 4th — Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- 6th — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority, 7:30 p.m.
- 10th — Zoning & Finance Committees, 7:30 p.m.
- 16th — Council's Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 24th — Christmas Eve, Town Offices Closed
- 25th — Christmas Day, Town Offices Closed
- 27th — Zoning Hearing Board, 7:30 p.m.

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