

• McCANDLESS TOWN CRIER •



TOWN OF McCANDLESS

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Police Report

Unfortunately—and tragically—alcoholic beverages and controlled substances DO find their way into juvenile hands. Any number of reasons, including peer pressure, have been cited as the cause in their usage. But whatever the reason, Chief McCabe and all McCandleless Police Officers are dedicated and determined in discouraging and eliminating their usage. To this end, police personnel attend professional seminars to learn the most effective ways in dealing with this important problem. Youth Aid Officer James



Miller conducts many programs in our schools each year to educate students of the effects and consequences of using alcohol and controlled substances. He and other police officers are also

available to speak to parental, civic, business and fraternal groups. And, all officers are alert to the apprehension of anyone (juvenile or adult) participating in illegal use and/or distribution.

Laws and Penalties—Although the use and sale of alcohol is regulated by the State Liquor Control Board, any adult and/or minor involved with usage of making available the illegal use of intoxicating beverages is subject to violations of existing laws and penalties:

Corruption of Minors—Whoever, being of the age 18 years and upward, aids, abets or encourages any such minor in the commission of any crime is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. (Imprisonment of not more than 5 years.)

Purchase, Consumption, Possession or Transportation of Intoxicating Beverages—A person commits a summary offense if he, being less than 21 years of age, attempts to purchase, purchases, consumes, or transports any alcohol, liquor or malt or brewed beverages. (\$300 maximum fine and/or 90 days confinement.)

PA Liquor Code—It is illegal to sell, furnish or give liquor or malt or malt brewed beverages to any person visibly intoxicated or to any minor. Such an act constitutes a misdemeanor.

Civil Liability (PA Supreme Court Finding)—Special Host may be held negligent for the injuries suffered by any minor, or possibly a third person, to whom they provided alcohol.

Possession and/or sales of drugs (controlled substances) constitute misdemeanors and felonies and can result in fines and/or imprisonment.

Possession or Small Amounts of Marijuana or Hashish—This is a misdemeanor and is punishable by imprisonment not to exceed 30 days; a fine not to exceed \$500.00; or, both.

Possession of Larger Amounts of Marijuana or Hashish—Misdemeanor: Imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a fine not to exceed \$5,000.00 or both.

Sale of Marijuana or Hashish—Felony: Imprisonment of not more than 15 years, a fine not to exceed \$250,000 or both.

Possession of Cocaine, LSD, Heroin, Etc.—Misdemeanor: Imprisonment of not more than one year and/or a fine not exceeding \$5,000.00.

Alcohol Use—Alcohol is considered a "Gateway Drug"—one that can lead to the use of others. Alcohol is such an integral part of the American culture that it carries

with it an aura of mystery for teenagers who experiment with it. Parents who are concerned with their teenage children must be alert to what is happening in the teenage world. As parents, we must continue to provide guidance and direction in their lives as much as we did when they were small children approaching elements of potential hazard. Our children's health and well-being is still a part of the educational process that we as parents continually face.

Facts About Alcohol—3,300,000 teenagers are problem-drinkers. • 30% of high school seniors get drunk once a week. (That is, those who make it to the senior year—it does not include dropouts.) • 6% of high school seniors are daily drinkers. • More than half of teenage deaths are alcohol/drug related. • 49% of high schoolers drink in cars. • 23% drive after drinking. • Every 5 seconds a teen has a drug/alcohol related traffic accident. • 8,000 teens and young adults are killed in drinking/driving accidents; 40,000 are injured. • Average beginning age of alcohol use is 12.5 years. • Alcohol content in a beer, a mixed drink or a glass of wine is the same.

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Council Highlights—1986

May 28, 1985

Letters of appreciation and \$50.00 Savings Bonds were presented to Town of McCandleless employees who have served 20 or more years: Lt. Ralph J. LeDonne, Police Department (21 years), Police Officer James A. Osborne (21 years), Robert Bayan, Public Works (20 years), John G. Nash, Senior Foreman, Public Works (20 years), J. Paul Richter, Public Works (20 years), Floyd P. Skala, Public Works (20 years) and Police Officer Richard L. Pezich (20 years).

A public hearing was held on amending Ordinance No. 704 changing the use district of property located at the corner of Babcock Blvd. and Kummer Road from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-7 (office building district) at the request of Dr. Castelli. Formal action on the request will be taken on the request at Council's Regular Business Meeting of June 24, 1985.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of Dennis Mascari for an addition to his auto body shop located on Thompson Run Road.

A motion was passed entering into a three-year labor agreement with Local 636 (Public Works Department employees) beginning May 1, 1985 and terminating April 30, 1988.

Ordinance No. 907, establishing three stop signs at Stage Court and Guyton Road was adopted.

A motion prohibiting parking on either side of Grubbs Road from its intersection with Ingomar Road westerly for a distance of 1,568 feet was passed adopting Ordinance No. 908.

A motion was passed entering into a three-year labor agreement with Local 636 (Desk Clerk employees) beginning May 1, 1985 and terminating April 30, 1988.

June 24, 1985

A motion was passed approving the simple subdivision for property located on Highview Road and Van Drive requested by Michael L. Berger.

Other motions passed approving simple subdivision requests included: Robert F. Weber (property located on Fox Road); Lawrence & Betty Mazza (property located on Rolshouse Road); Joseph F. & Marianne E. Krepp (property located at Ingomar Road and Sunset Road); and, Wilda E. Patterson (property located at Inwood Road and Van Dyke Street).

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Police Report

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These startling statistics are national figures and percentages. But, they are made up of data gathered from communities of all sizes. None can be excluded!

Marijuana Use—Marijuana is a mind-altering drug that distorts perceptions and can lead to hallucinations. The entire family is affected when a child uses marijuana. All family members must work together to correct the problem. Unfortunately, it is often difficult for parents to tell when a child is using marijuana because youngsters very typically hide or disguise the fact. According to a pediatrician who is an expert on marijuana use among youngsters, the following represent common symptoms of the chronic user:

- red eyes • dry mouth • fatigue • irritability and edginess • increasing friction with peers and family • uncalled-for outbursts of anger and abusive language • abrupt mood changes • distinct lessening in accustomed family warmth • less care for the feelings of others • feelings of loneliness and depression • feelings of paranoia (leading in some cases to suicidal tendencies) • loss of weight despite craving for sweets • neglect of personal appearance • disturbances in sleep • lack of motivation • loss of short-time memory • blank facial expression • impaired ability to concentrate • impaired communication skills • decreased performance in schoolwork and sports • flat expressionless speech • difficulty in fighting off common infections • cough, asthmatic wheezing, chest pains • irregular menstrual cycles • skin rashes • decreased need for interaction • impaired driving ability • distorted time sense (when asked to raise a hand in 60 seconds, a "stoned" youngster will raise it in ten seconds) • a change from normally competitive interests to passivity and withdrawal • secretiveness about money, disappearance of money and valuables • friends who refuse to identify themselves or hang up when you answer the phone.

Not every user displays all symptoms, and it is possible that a new user will display no symptoms. But there is no chronic user of marijuana who can escape the symptoms completely because of the cumulative effects of this drug.

It's quite a paradox—the connotation of the word "drugs." Drugs have the ability to save and extend lives. Conversely, drugs ruin, and in some instances, take lives. The former is a blessing to those in need. The latter, a curse to the innocent and uninformed. Marijuana and alcohol abuse is more than just a subject of conversation to some parents. It's a living 24 hour a day nightmare! Anyone with a problem appearing to be drug or alcohol related can contact the Police Department Youth Aid Officer, James Miller, at 364-2250 who will advise them of agencies who specialize in giving much need assistance. Many brochures on chemical dependency are available upon request at the Police Department.

Council Highlights (Continued)

July 22, 1985

A motion adopting Resolution No. 11, authorizing the Council President and the Town Manager to file appropriate documents with the Department of Community Affairs for a Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant. The Town has received word from the Department in Harrisburg that it has been placed in a contingency status for the purchase of recreation land.

A motion was passed approving the purchase of recreation land for the use of residents of McCandless at the intersection of Rochester and Sloop Roads from Prescott S. & Garnett S. Cole for the price of \$57,500.00 and approximately two acres from Alfred E. Thompson, III and Paul W. & Carl Brandt at the price of \$6,375.00 per acre. It was noted this motion works hand in hand with the previously adopted Resolution No. 11. If grant monies are received, they will be used to purchase the property.

August 26, 1985

A motion adopting Resolution No. 13, establishing various Town inspection fees for site plans and/or land development installations, was passed. The Town Manager commented that this resolution provides an updated amount that can be charged for various inspections incurred by the Town.

Ordinance No. 910, establishing a water district on Old Kummer Road from the current terminus of an 8" water main to a point approximately 390' in an easterly direction within the right-of-way of Old Kummer Road, was adopted. It was noted seven property owners are involved and four of the seven signed the petition requesting a water district.

Resolution No. 14 (amending Resolution No. 15 of 1984), authorizing the Council President and the Town Manager to enter into a winter services agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the years 1985 through 1987, was adopted. The 1984 resolution was amended because the Town no longer receives a reimbursement for Grubbs and Reichold Roads since the Town has taken them over.

Piggybacking on the North Hills Council of Governments, motions were passed awarding the following contracts: International Salt Co. (Sodium Chloride); Chemply (Calcium Chloride); and, International Mill Services, Inc. (Cinders). The Town Manager commented that the Town had a contract with International Salt Co. last year and they were unable to meet the Town's need for salt. The Town had to obtain salt elsewhere and backcharged International Salt. If the same situation arises this year, the Town will do what it did last year.

Ordinance No. 911, establishing stop signs on Madison Street at the intersection of Roosevelt Blvd., was adopted.

A motion was passed appointing Robert J. Powers as liaison for the Town of McCandless to the North Pittsburgh Community Development Corporation effective immediately.

The Town Attorney reported a closing took place last week on the main portion of property the Town is buying for recreation purposes at Sloop and Rochester Rds. A closing will take place on the remaining 2½ acres within the next two weeks.

Residents noted that speeding is taking place on Grubbs Road since it has been paved and asked for extra police protection. Council President and the Town Manager acknowledged they will discuss the matter with the Police Chief and suggested that residents get descriptions of cars violating speed limits and if possible note license numbers.

September 23, 1985

The Town Manager announced that PennPIC (Pennsylvania Public Interest Coalition) has been authorized to solicit throughout the Town. A change in shut-off times to 10 to 15 minutes after sunset, for non-profit organizations soliciting is considered legal by the Town Attorney and he will prepare an Ordinance to that effect for Council's review.

The preliminary plat division for a seven lot subdivision and conditional use requests of Richard Korvick for 3½ acres of property located on Pine Creek Road was tabled on the unanimous passage of a motion.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of Santoro Landscaping for a garden center to be located on Ingomar Road near the Wildwood pool.

A motion was passed approving the two lot subdivision of Irving W. Huch estate for property located on Perry Noll Drive and Perry Highway.

Ordinance No. 913, prohibiting parking on the easterly side of Harmony Drive from its intersection with Ingomar Road easterly for a distance of 400 feet, and Ordinance No. 914 establishing stop signs on Broadlawn Drive at its intersection with Wood View Drive were adopted.

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Newest Council Member



Merrill E. Kline

Merrill E. Kline is McCandless' newest Council member. Originally from Minnesota, he came to Pittsburgh in 1964 for Graduate work at Duquesne University. Having a Masters Degree in Philosophy of Science, he taught at Carlow College from 1966 to 1970 before becoming employed in U. S. Steel's Data Processing Department. From 1977 to 1979, he was on assignment in Spain installing USS' Instrument Communications System. He is presently Personnel Manager for USS Regional Service Center. With 2 children in the 7th and 10th grades, he is active in many athletic, school and civic affairs in addition to those associated with Council membership.

Council Highlights — (Continued)

Resolution No. 15, authorizing the Town of McCandless to participate in annual community development block grant funding through the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, was adopted. The Town is attempting to leverage whatever amount of money it feels will give the Town the best opportunity to receive the grant. It is the Town's understanding that a good leverage would be about 3:1 (\$3.00 of the Town's money to \$1.00 of the County's money) for a total of \$120,000 worth of drainage improvements.

October 28, 1985

Resolution No. 16, authorizing the distribution of the 1985 Pension Fund Allocation was adopted. The Assistant Town Manager commented that \$66,923 will be spent on the Police Pension Fund and \$32,792 will be spent on the Non-Uniformed Pension Fund.

A motion was passed denying approvals of the nine acre preliminary plat application of John Sandin for a 13 lot subdivision located on Grosick Road and Ingomar Road and his conditional use request for ten duplexes on property to be known as the Grosick Court Plan of Lots.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of the Duncan Manor Animal Hospital for an addition to their existing offices on Ferguson Road.

Ordinance No. 915, establishing a speed limit of 25 mph on Sunset Road was adopted.

The Town Attorney commented that in 1972 the Town had to eat a lot that had been put up for sheriff sale. At that time the guaranteed bidder backed out. The lot has finally sold for \$1,100 and the Town will get about 22¢ on the dollar from the sale. The lot is back on the tax rolls.

November 25, 1985

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 918 changing the use district from R-1 (single family dwelling district) to R-2 (single family and two family dwelling district) for property on Rinaman Road as per the request of Robert Saba. After much testimony the hearing was adjourned and the Council will review the hearing at the Zoning Committee Meeting on December 9th with formal action taken on the request at Council's Regular Meeting on December 16, 1985.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 918 setting Real Estate Tax rate for 1986 and other revenue sources, including the use of revenue sharing funds, and setting certain appropriations for the calendar year 1986.—The Town Manager commented the Real Estate Tax will remain at 10 mills for 1986. There is a one percent increase over last year's budget. One-third of the budget depends on the Real Estate Tax while the Earned Income Tax generates 32 percent of the revenue and Act 511 taxes generate 12 percent of the revenue. Anticipated grants, permits, and charges and fund transfers make up the difference in the budget. The General Fund revenues are estimated to be \$5,070,412 for 1986. Under appropriations, General Government is approximately 13.7 percent of the budget. The total Public Safety figure is \$1,952,166, which is about 38 percent of the budget, of which 29 percent is for the Police Department and its related services and about 8 percent is for fire protection. Twenty two percent of the budget is for capital improvements. It is expected to spend approximately \$137,000 on Culture and Recreation which is support of the library as well as support of the parks and the parks system and recreation services that are offered in the summer time. The overall size of the budget is again \$5,070,412. Revenue Sharing funds in the amount of \$167,573 will be used for support of the Northland Library. It is also anticipated the Town will receive \$261,069 from the state in Liquid Fuels monies that are transferred to the Town by taxes on gasoline.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 920 amending Ordinance No. 897 appropriating certain monies for fiscal year 1985.—The Town Manager commented it is a requirement of the Administrative Code that any item that exceeds \$5,000 and 10 percent of the amount budgeted be listed for the Council so that the original budget which was adopted last year can be amended accordingly. The budget has not been overspent. Funds are just being moved from one category to another.

A motion was passed authorizing the Town Manager to sell five police cars to the following highest responsible bidders: Vehicle 1 (1982 Chevrolet Malibu) to Alexander J. Adams at a price of \$1,257.00. Vehicle 2 (1984 Dodge Diplomat) to Thomas J. Adams at a price of \$1,354.00. Vehicle 3 (1983 Dodge Diplomat) to William J. Diegelman at a price of \$800.00. Vehicle 4 (1983 Dodge Diplomat) to Thomas J. Adams at a price of \$1,027.00. Vehicle 5 (1983 Dodge Diplomat) to William J. Diegelman at a price of \$1,000.00.

A motion adopting Resolution No. 18, amending and restating the Town of McCandless retirement income plan for non-uniformed employees, was passed.

A motion was passed approving the participation of the Town Manager in the International City Managers Association-Retirement Corporation with matching contributions from the Town of up to six percent of compensation effective May 1, 1985.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of Peggy Gardner for a proposed addition to her building located at the corner of Perry Highway and Pine Creek Road.

A motion was passed approving the subdivision request to be known as the Docherty-McArdle Plan of Lots involving two lots being subdivided into four lots on Germain Road.

A motion was passed approving the simple subdivision request of Robert B. and Mae Ressler for property located at the corner of Highland Road and Harmony Parkway.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 916 establishing a stop intersection with stop signs to be erected on Wood View Drive at its intersection with Broadlawn Drive and repealing Ordinance Nos. 861 and 914 pertaining to this intersection.

A motion was passed awarding a contract to Executone Communications Corporation for the purchase and installation of a telephone communications system at a price of \$26,674.00. The projected payback of the system is in the vicinity of six years. The equipment will be installed within 45 days after signatures are placed on the contract.

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Fire Prevention... Protection

The Fire Marshal urges residents to have a home fire-drill now! If it isn't preplanned, it is generally too late when an incident occurs. Here are a few safety tips to remember: (1) The best fire protection is fire prevention. (2) Install and maintain smoke detectors. (3) Purchase a small Dry Chemical Type "ABC" type fire extinguisher which can be used on any type of fire (wood, paper, electrical and flammable liquids).

What to do if you have a fire—(1) If you smell smoke in your room, feel if the door is hot. If it is, keep it closed. Use an alternate exit. (2) Get out as soon as possible staying as low as you can to prevent breathing smoke. (3) If unable to escape, block out smoke by placing moist towels, clothing or fabric around doors. (4) Crawl to a window and open it from top and bottom if possible. (5) If there is a phone in the room, call for help. Yell out the window and wave a sheet or curtain to attract attention. (6) If escape is possible, call the Fire Department from a neighbor's house. (7) Wait for the Fire Department to arrive.

Fire Prevention Tips—Many things you can do to make your home safer from fires are obvious: Don't take chances with lighted cigarettes. Keep matches and cigarette lighters out of the reach of children. Be careful with heating and cooking equipment. Store flammable liquids properly and get rid of flammable materials you no longer need. and, when purchasing an auxiliary heating device, make sure it has been tested and approved by a recognized Testing Agency such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or Factory Mutual (FM). Also have the dealer demonstrate the device for you and read the instructions before putting it to use.

This 'n That

Rubbish Collection—Now that summer has arrived, animals prowl. Not only pets, but also those inhabitants of our wooded areas. Both, have a propensity for tearing trash bags left out for pick-up. To minimize this "animal activity" the Town has an *Ordinance which states that rubbish shall not be placed at the curb or side of the road before 7:00 PM on the day prior to pick-up. Re-usable containers left by the collector must be taken back from the curb or edge of the road no later than 7:30 PM on the day of the pick-up.* The purpose of these regulations is to encourage residents of the Town to maintain their property in such a manner that the Town will be both healthful and attractive.

More on Rubbish—Mazzaro Disposal Service removes most every type of refuse normally generated in a household. (If you have any question about items being put out for collection, please call them at 771-2828 before your pick-up day.) They will accept worn automobile tires but request that residents place only one or two at curbside at any one time. The reason is that tires are very difficult to cover in landfills. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

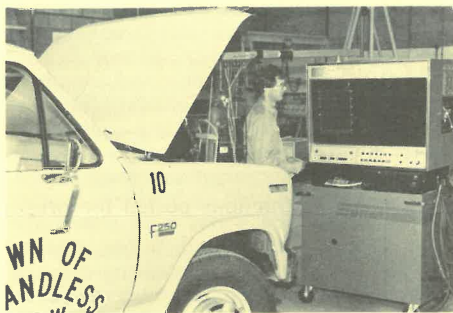
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Recognition—Chief McCabe was presented with special honors from the American Police Hall of Fame at a recent Law Enforcement Awards luncheon.

Winter Scoreboard—Picture, if you can, a pile containing 5,314 tons of salt, 578 tons of cinders, and 17 tons of calcium chloride. That's what was spread on McCandless roads and streets controlling last winter's ice and snow. Public Works crews were called out 64 times (43 salting, 8 plowing and 13 times on miscellaneous ice problems) during the season. The cost was \$204,816.60 for labor, material and equipment. This averaged-out to \$1,769.00 per mile maintaining 116 miles of roads. This was a less cost-per-mile than last winter because of an extra truck and crew available for the work.

Cost Reduction—Maintenance cost of Town vehicles, trucks and equipment is being reduced through the use of a new electronic diagnosis analyzer installed in the Public Works garage. More accurate diagnosis of problems will lessen down-time of Town owned cars, trucks and equipment thus reducing frequent repairs experienced in the past.



Douglas Frank checking a PWD vehicle on the department's new engine analyzer.

Route 19 Improvements—Work is scheduled by PennDot for improving the Pine Creek Hill roadway. This hazardous area has been the scene of 25 accidents with 38 injuries since January, 1985. The safety-related project includes a proposed medical barrier, lane widening and resignalization at the Pine Creek Road intersection. The \$2 million project is expected to be completed by September, 1987. There are no funds available at this time for PennDot to reconstruct the Wexford Flats, but they will undertake making some improvements in that area.

Please Note New Phone Numbers—To help in serving McCandless residents more promptly, the Tax Office and Department of Public Works now have their own phone numbers. For real estate and wage tax information, please call 364-0880. The PWD can be contacted at 367-0181.

Decals Still Available—"Tot Finder" and "Handicapped Person" decals may be obtained at the Town Hall. These decals are to be placed on bedroom doors and windows of children and the blind or handicapped so their locations can be quickly determined by firefighters answering an emergency. The Town Fire Marshal urges their use stating that firefighters are trained to look for these decals immediately upon answering calls.

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Council Highlights— (Continued)

December 16, 1986

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 917, setting the real estate tax for 1986 and other revenue sources, including the use of revenue sharing funds, and setting certain appropriations for the calendar year 1986. It was noted the Town millage will remain at ten mills and the budget will be slightly over five million dollars.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 918, amending Ordinance No. 897 appropriating certain monies for fiscal year 1985.

A motion was passed adopting Resolution No. 19, establishing the amount when competitive shall not be required for labor, material, supplies or services at \$12,486.00.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 919, authorizing the borrowing of tax and revenue anticipated monies in the amount of \$425,000.00.

A motion was passed adopting Resolution No. 20, amending Resolution No. 15 of the 1982 Series, establishing rules and regulations for tax on earned income and net profits. This Resolution will bring Town policies into line with the standards other communities operate under and with standards of recent court decisions.

A motion appointing Touche Ross and Company as Town Auditors was passed. The company was appointed last year on a one year basis.

A motion was passed approving the preliminary plat submission for a 16 lot subdivision to be known as the Grosick Plan of Lots located at Grosick Road and Ingomar Road as submitted by John Sandin. It is indicated on the plan that the one lot left over will be used for single family residences and the plan also shows sidewalks along Ingomar Road.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of Thomas Reilly for a strip shopping center to be located on Perry Highway to replace the damaged Audi Building.

Motions were defeated to approve the preliminary plat submission for the Nuthampstead Plan of Lots involving an eight lot subdivision on Pine Creek Road at the Pittsburgh Harmony Butler abandoned right-of-way and the conditional use request for duplexes to be located on Lots 1 through 6 of the preliminary plat submission entitled Nuthampstead Plan of Lots as requested by Andrew Andrako.

A motion was passed approving the final plat submission for a three lot subdivision entitled The Joseph M. Krepp Plan of Lots located on Sunset Road.

A motion was passed approving the final plat for a three lot subdivision to be known as the Rupert Plan of Lots located on Reichold Road as submitted by Robert and Eleanor Rupert.

A motion was passed approving an extension of the land development constraints for the development of the Arcadia property along McKnight Road until December 31, 1986 requested by Alfred E. Thomson, III.

A motion was passed approving the simple subdivision request of Donald and Mildred Duerring for property located on Robinson Road and Sandalwood Lane.

A motion was passed approving the simple subdivision request of Janet Haugh for property located at the corner of Forest Avenue and Sandle Avenue.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 920 establishing stop lights at various intersections on Grubbs, Reichold and Rinaman Roads as ordained stop signs.

Ordinance No. 921, establishing a 35 mph speed limit on Reichold Road and a portion of Rinaman Road, was adopted.

A motion was passed approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of McCandless and the McCandless Police Lieutenants' Unit for the period January 1, 1986 through December 31, 1986. A motion was also passed approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the McCandless Police Officers' Association for the same period of time.

Resolution 21 was adopted amending the Town of McCandless Police Pension Fund, along with Resolution No. 22 eliminating payments into the police pension fund by members of the Police Department for the year 1986.

January 6, 1986—Organizational Meeting

The Honorable David W. Craig, Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, administered the Oath of Office to Council members Gerard J. Aufman, Jr., Robert J. Powers and Merrill E. Kline.

Robert J. Powers was nominated for President of Town Council and Gerard J. Aufman was nominated for Vice President of Town Council. Both gentlemen were elected by unanimous vote.

A motion was passed appointing James W. Dunn as Town Attorney. the motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was unanimously passed appointing Tobias M. Cordek as Secretary of the Town of McCandless for a two year term for the years 1986 and 1987. A motion was also passed unanimously appointing Edith M. Liguori as Assistant Secretary of the Town of McCandless for a two year term for the years 1986 and 1987.

Council President Robert J. Powers made the following Committee appointments: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE—Gerard J. Aufman, Jr., Chairman and J. Howard Womsley, Vice Chairman. SERVICES COMMITTEE—Merrill E. Kline, Chairman and Kate R. Dewey, Vice Chairman. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—Harold W. Moores, Chairman and Gerard J. Aufman, Jr., Vice Chairman. RECREATION COMMITTEE—J. Howard Womsley, Chairman and Elaine F. Farmer, Vice Chairman. ZONING COMMITTEE—Elaine F. Farmer, Chairman and Merrill E. Kline, Vice Chairman. FINANCE COMMITTEE—Kate R. Dewey, Chairman and Harold W. Moores, Vice Chairman. All Council members are official members of each committee.

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Council Highlights — (Continued)

Council President Robert J. Powers made the following appointments as liaison contacts for other boards and commissions: Elaine F. Farmer (Planning Commission), Harold W. Moores (Zoning Hearing Board), J. Howard Womsley (McCandless Township Sanitary Authority), Gerard J. Aufman, Jr. (McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority), Kate R. Dewey (Northland Public Library Authority), Robert J. Powers (North Pittsburgh Community Development Corporation), Robert J. Powers (North Hills Council of Governments), Gerard J. Aufman, Jr. (Joint Recreation Board), Kate R. Dewey (McCandless Industrial Development Authority) and Merrill E. Kline (Volunteer Fireman's Steering Committee).

A motion was passed appointing the North Hills News Record, the Pittsburgh Press and the Pittsburgh Post Gazette as official newspapers for advertising the Town's legal notices.

Motions were passed appointing the following to Boards, Commissions and Authorities, with terms to start immediately: Joan Glavin (McCandless Personnel Board with term to expire December 31, 1989), Edward G. Meinert (McCandless Planning Commission with term to expire December 31, 1989), Derek B. Tatlock (McCandless Planning Commission with term to expire December 31, 1989), Mathew R. Mathews (McCandless Planning Commission with term to expire December 31, 1989), John D. Braught (McCandless Township Sanitary Authority with term to expire the first Monday of 1991), Kate R. Dewey to the unexpired term of Thomas G. Mohr (McCandless Industrial Development Authority with term to expire December 31, 1988), Thomas M. Lechner (McCandless Industrial Development Authority with term to expire December 31, 1990), Raymond W. Long (McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority with term to expire December 31, 1990) and Kate R. Dewey to the unexpired term of Elaine F. Farmer (Northland Public Library Authority with term to expire December 31, 1989).

Mrs. Joyce Erdner, representing the North Allegheny Task Force on Substance Abuse, asked that a committee be formed consisting of members of Council, the police and perhaps representatives from the school to deal with underage drinking and drug use in the community. She would also like to study the Town's ordinances to see if they are up-to-date or if they need changed in order to help the "kids" in the community. It was noted the Town has a Youth Aid Officer, who is in liaison with the schools; a detective who helps out when needed; and the rest of the police officers who are out in the field making arrests. The Council President commented he did not know what ordinance the Town could pass dealing with alcohol and drugs that would not be superseded by federal or state laws. After much discussion, Mrs. Erdner was invited to the February 3rd Public Safety Committee Meeting to present specific recommendations to Council. Council will take the recommendations under consideration and Mrs. Erdner will be invited back for further discussion with Council.

January 13, 1986 — Special Business Meeting

A motion was made adopting Ordinance No. 922, repealing Ordinance No. 919 and authorizing the borrowing of tax and revenue anticipation money in the amount of \$925,000.00. It was reported that this money will be borrowed from Pittsburgh National Bank.

January 27, 1986

A motion was passed appointing John P. "Jerry" Auld to a five year term on the McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority with the term to start immediately and expire December 31, 1990.

Ordinance No. 923, changing the use district from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-3 (highway commercial) for property located on Perry Highway as per the request of Ted Dixon, was adopted.

A motion was passed approving the final plat submission of a 19 lot subdivision to be known as the Pine Ridge Plan of Lots as submitted by B & K Victor for property located on eight acres adjacent to Blum Road contingent upon (1) the establishment of a surety bond or letter of credit in a sufficient amount to ensure the reinstallation of any paving, berm work, or the like on Rinaman Road and Blum Road damaged by plan construction including but not limited to the installation of utilities to service the proposed plan, and (2) the signing of a subdivision agreement and posting the necessary bonds and letters of credit relative to the same.

A motion was passed adopting Resolution No. 1, approving the planning module for land development for the Pine Creek Plan of Lots. The Town Manager commented a fairly recent requirement by DER that necessitates when a modification made to the master plan of the sanitary sewer system within a community (each community has a master plan for its sewer system), that plan must be submitted to DER and a resolution must be adopted to permit that modification to take place.

Resolution No. 2 was adopted approving the planning module for land development for the Deer Crossing Plan of Lots.

Resolution No. 3 was adopted supporting a resolution of the Borough of Franklin Park which authorizes the submission of a request for recreational grant funding from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$16,253.00. The school district has tentatively proposed that their property on Grubbs Road and property in Franklin Park be used for soccer fields or some other recreational facility. The purpose of the grant is to assist the school board and the municipality to pay for the establishment of these fields. A question was raised concerning the time period involved. There will be more strings attached if someone else's money is received to do the work. The earliest date if the grant is received would be late summer. In reference to his comment on more strings attached, the Town Manager commented there will be certain contracts that will require budgeting of maintenance funds for the fields and that can be done with in-kind labor. The Town will consider building the fields even if the grant is not received.

Ordinance No. 924, taking over Forest Trails Drive and Oak Grove Court in the Forest Trails Plan of Lots as Town roads, was adopted. This take-over includes the retention pond and related stormwater facilities which the Town will maintain. The Town engineer has inspected the roads and there is an 18 month maintenance bond commencing on the take over.

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Flood Insurance

"I never thought it could happen". Those words were heard many times following damaging rains that swept over North Hills communities on May 30th. Many victims had no flood insurance which added to their tragic losses.

The Town of McCandless adopted measures in 1980 to safeguard property from flooding. At that time, limits of the Federal Flood Insurance increased from \$35,000 up to \$185,000 for McCandless residents. In addition to this property coverage, contents coverage increased from \$10,000 to \$60,000. Increases for small businesses and other classes of structures were also made available. Information on rates and amounts may be obtained from any licensed property and casualty insurance agent.

Town of McCandless officials strongly recommend that anyone living in a flood-prone area make application to obtain needed insurance as soon as possible. Maps showing these flood plain areas may be seen at the Town Hall during regular business hours.

Fitness Court

The Town has received a \$7,500 grant for the purchase of exercise equipment as part of the National Physical Fitness Program. The equipment, manufactured by Gamefield Incorporated, includes 13 stations where specific calisthenics are performed. Each station has instructions posted for proper usage.

The equipment will be installed at the Lorrain Rodgers Memorial Soccer Fields on Ingomar Road adjacent to the Ambulance Authority Building. The course will be ready for use in early Fall. It was designed for those of all ages. So, come on down—shape up—and feel better.

Town Helpers

Much is left to do when the "Town Crier" is printed and delivered. Address labels must be affixed; copies must be sorted and bundled according to ZIP Code; then, they have to be placed into mailbags for delivery to the Post Office. All this has been done by AARP Chapter 2991—Northmont UP Church. (They also prepared the 1986 McCandless calendars for mailing.) Volunteer services such as this often go unrecognized, so the AARP Chapter 2991—"thanks, from your neighbors!"



Fire Companies Support

The Town annually divides 1 mill of real estate tax revenue among the three fire companies (Peebles, Ingomar and Highland) serving McCandless. To further assist the companies, Council established a sinking fund for them wherein funds are set aside each year for major pieces of equipment. The Town also pays for the significant increase in fire hydrant rentals and cost of insurance.

Council does not operate the fire companies. Each has a charter with the commonwealth of Pennsylvania and owns its equipment. Town Council and Administrators meet regularly with officers of all three companies to discuss fire protection issues and to make plans to assure full fire protection services. To further assist the companies in enhancing their finances, Council has approved their request to solicit funds from McCandless residents. Donations are VOLUNTARY. Residents who wish to donate can give any amount they desire. Whether they donate or not, all residents are assured of full fire protection services!

Although financial support is needed and appreciated, your time can be even more important. Volunteers are always desperately needed! If you can answer this need, please contact the company in your area for more information. Presidents and their phone numbers are: Highland—Jim Hough, 364-5619; Ingomar—Gerard Aufman, Jr., 364-1814; and, Peebles—Gilbert Riley, 364-9220.

Picnic Pavilion Permits

Permits may now be obtained to reserve the picnic pavilion located behind the Town Hall. Permits will be issued to McCandless residents, or groups of residents, at no cost upon request. A permit gives the holder exclusive use of the pavilion on the date for which it was issued. The reason for initiating the procedure is to make it unnecessary for a person to arrive in early morning to "hold" it for use that day. Permits will also make it possible for Town Officials to know the amount of use the pavilion gets.

The most popular time for using the pavilion is on weekends. However, permits can be obtained for any day. At times when the facility is not being used by "permit," any McCandless resident may use it. If it is in use and a permit-holder for that day arrives, the pavilion must be relinquished.

Permits can be obtained at the Town Hall during normal business hours. Don't be disappointed! Apply for your permit now.



Council Highlights — (Continued)

February 24, 1986

A retirement ceremony took place for J. Paul Richter, Town of McCandless employee for 21 years. He was employed in the Public Works Department. Mr. Richter was presented with a letter of appreciation and an engraved pewter mug.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 928 amending certain flood plain provisions of the Town's Planning Code. The hearing will be reviewed at the Zoning Hearing Committee Meeting of March 10th and formal action will be taken at Council's Regular Business Meeting of March 24, 1986.

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 929, changing the use district to R-2 (one and two family residential) from C-7 (general office) for property located off the easterly side of Neuhart Blvd. as per the request of Allegheny Systems. The hearing will be reviewed at the Zoning Committee Meeting of March 10th and formal action will be taken at Council's Regular Business Meeting of March 24, 1986.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of LaRoche College for an addition to their cafeteria and science building located on the LaRoche complex on Babcock Blvd.

A motion was passed approving the site plan submission of Bell Federal Savings & Loan for a single story banking facility located on Route 19, Wexford flats, formerly occupied by Mama Lucia's.

March 24, 1986

Ordinance No. 925, amending Part Thirteen, the Planning and Zoning Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless by adding to Section 1311.04, DEFINITIONS, a definition of "personal storage facilities" and by adding Article 1331, C-3 (highway commercial district), Section 1331.04 CONDITIONAL USE: STORAGE FACILITIES was placed on the floor as a motion and was unanimously denied.

A motion was passed approving a Police Pension Committee consisting of the following: Council Finance Chairman, Assistant Town Manager and the Chief of Police effective immediately.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 925, changing the use district from C-7 (general office) to R-2 (one and two family residential) for property located off the easterly side of Neuhart Blvd. as per the request of Allegheny Systems.

A motion was passed approving the preliminary plat submission for an eight lot subdivision to be known as Pine Mountain Plan of Lots located off the easterly side of Neuhart Blvd. as per the request of Allegheny Systems.

A motion to adopt Ordinance No. 926, amending certain flood plain provisions of the Town's Planning Code, was passed.

A motion was passed approving the final plat submission for a 16 lot subdivision to be known as the Grosick Plan of Lots located on Grosick Road and Ingomar Road as submitted by John Sandin (with the most recent revision being March 6, 1986) contingent upon (1) the establishment of a surety bond or letter of credit in a sufficient amount to ensure the reinstallation of any paving, berm work, of the like on Grosick Road damaged by plan construction including but not limited to the installation of utilities to service the proposed plan, and (2) the signing of a subdivision agreement and posting the necessary bonds or letters of credit relative to same. Council concurred with Mr. Sandin's request to change the name of the plan to Stone House Manor.

The request of Theodore R. Sixon for an extension of the land development time constraints for the development of his property located at 8437 Perry Highway until April 30, 1987 was approved.

Ordinance No. 927, prohibiting parking on both sides of Highview Street was adopted.

A motion was passed adopting Ordinance No. 928 establishing stop signs at the intersection of Corporate Drive and Babcock Blvd.

Ordinance No. 929, prohibiting left turns at the intersection of Route 19 and Old Perry Highway and also at the intersection of Route 19 and Gloria Street was passed. It was noted the intersection of Route 19 and Old Perry Highway is at the intersection where the Sheetz store is presently located.

Resolution No. 5, naming Saturday, April 26, 1986, "Keeping Pennsylvania Beautiful Day" was adopted.

April 28, 1986

A motion was unanimously passed appointing Donald M. Surrena as Zoning Officer/Land Use Administrator effective April 29, 1986.

Resolution No. 6, imposing a moratorium on development of land abutting McKnight Road was adopted.

A contract was awarded to Northern Industries, Inc. for reconstruction and resurfacing of certain Town roads at an estimated total cost of \$935,180.95.

Resolution No. 7, designating the areas of the Town of McCandless to be serviced by the three volunteer fire companies located within the Town, was adopted.

May 27, 1986

A motion was passed to authorize the Town Attorney to settle a lawsuit against the developer of the Woodhaven Oaks Plan for the alleged improper location of a stormwater drainage pipe.

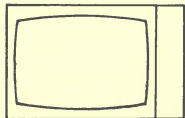
Resolution No. 8, amending the official plan of sanitary sewers of McCandless Township for the Pine Mountain Plan of Lots was adopted.

Resolution No. 9, approving the proposed plan and schedule of expansion of the Pine Creek sanitary treatment plant of the McCandless Township Sanitary Authority sewerage system, was adopted.

A contract was awarded to Camp Meeting Excavation for the installation of stormwater improvements to various Town roads at an estimated cost of \$140,675.

This 'n That *(Continued)*

Cable TV Information—The contract the Town entered into with Centre Video contain



two stipulations many residents are unaware of: (1) A Governmental Access/Educational Access Channel was assigned for the use of governmental and educational institutions or persons, organizations at designated centers for cable cast over a designated community communications channel. Governmental and educational institutions meaning those institutions located within the Town of McCandless including public schools, private and parochial schools and colleges located in the Town with a dissemination of educational programming. (2) The cable company has also made available, at no cost to the Town, the use of a portable video pack with filming and playback capability. (The equipment is located at the Northland Public Library.)

More On Cable TV—Centre Video will utilize their option this year given to them by the Federal Communications Policy Act of 1984 and in accordance with their agreement with the Town to adjust customer billing by 5%. The increase to \$8.40 will be reflected in subscribers' July billing.

Cast Thy Bread—May, 1985 a network of tornadoes devastated many communities to our north. Destruction was widespread: Public Works Superintendent Mark Sabina, members of his department and volunteer firemen went to Evans City and assisted in clean-up efforts. This charitable act was acknowledged not only by municipal officials and residents, but also by the Federal Government. The Town of McCandless received nearly \$8,900 from the Emergency Management Agency for assistance rendered. Yes, being a good samaritan is appreciated personally and, in this instance, financially as well.

CPR Trained—It can happen to anyone, anywhere, anytime—cardiac arrest. When it happens, help is needed quickly. In the spirit of community involvement, each member of the Public Works Department has received CPR training and is certified. It's an expression of caring for their neighbors and fellow-workers. Two employees have already assisted in a cardiac arrest case while an ambulance was enroute. It's a timely reminder that everyone should have CPR training—just in case.

Open Burning—April was one of the busiest on record for our fire companies. The reason—brush fires. The cause, in most cases, was open burning by residents. Open burning can be a nuisance to neighbors because of the smoke. It can also be destructive and dangerous. But, one thing for sure: It's against the law! Town and Allegheny County Ordinances ban the burning of trash and other materials that emit smoke directly into the open. This includes the open burning of wood, paper, cardboard, leaves, rubbish and debris. Under County Air Pollution Codes a violator can be fined up to \$1,000 for each offense and \$300 for each offense under the Town Fire Code.

New Building Inspector

Council has appointed Donald M. Surrena Building Inspector and Zoning Officer for the Town of McCandless. His training and background highly qualifies him for this position so important to the Town's development.

Don served as Section Chief of Cartographic Unit, U. S. 5th Army-Europe and as map compilation, cartography and drafting instructor at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He attended the University of Pittsburgh School of General Studies Basic Management and Institute for Urban Policy and Administration and Allegheny County Community College for Waste Water Treatment. He served as Engineering Inspector for the City of Ormond Beach, Florida and most recently operated his own construction and remodeling company.

Residents having questions concerning permits for remodeling and construction or those relating to zoning within the Town can call him at the Town Hall during regular business hours.



Donald M. Surrena

Road Improvements

Forty-three roadways will be improved during McCandless' 1986 program at a cost of approximately \$935,000. Work began in early May and is expected to be completed by October 31st. Some roadways will be milled and resurfaced or resurfaced, and six (6) will be reconstructed. This year's program includes:

Milled and Resurfaced or Resurfaced

Adams Street
Albemarle Drive
Balmoral Drive
Bingay Drive
Blazier Drive
Brandywine Drive
Bretton Way
Brittany Place
Caribou Drive
Carriage Hill Road
Center Oak Drive
Conventry Drive
Dell Lane
Dolphin Drive
Dormar Court
Dormar Drive
Dubonnett Court
East Van Buren Drive
Fairhill Road

Hazlett Road
Hilliard Road
Jackson Street
Jefferson Street
Lindisfarne Drive
Lindsay Road
Lingay Drive
Lochinvar Drive
Malibran Drive
Manville Drive
Marmion Drive
Marquis Drive
Nordica Drive
Olde Ingomar Court
Piper Court
Post Road
Van Buren Drive
Windmill Lane

Reconstructed

Ingomar Terrace
Old Kummer Road
Ridge Road

Ringeisen Road
Sandalwood Lane
Woodlawn Road

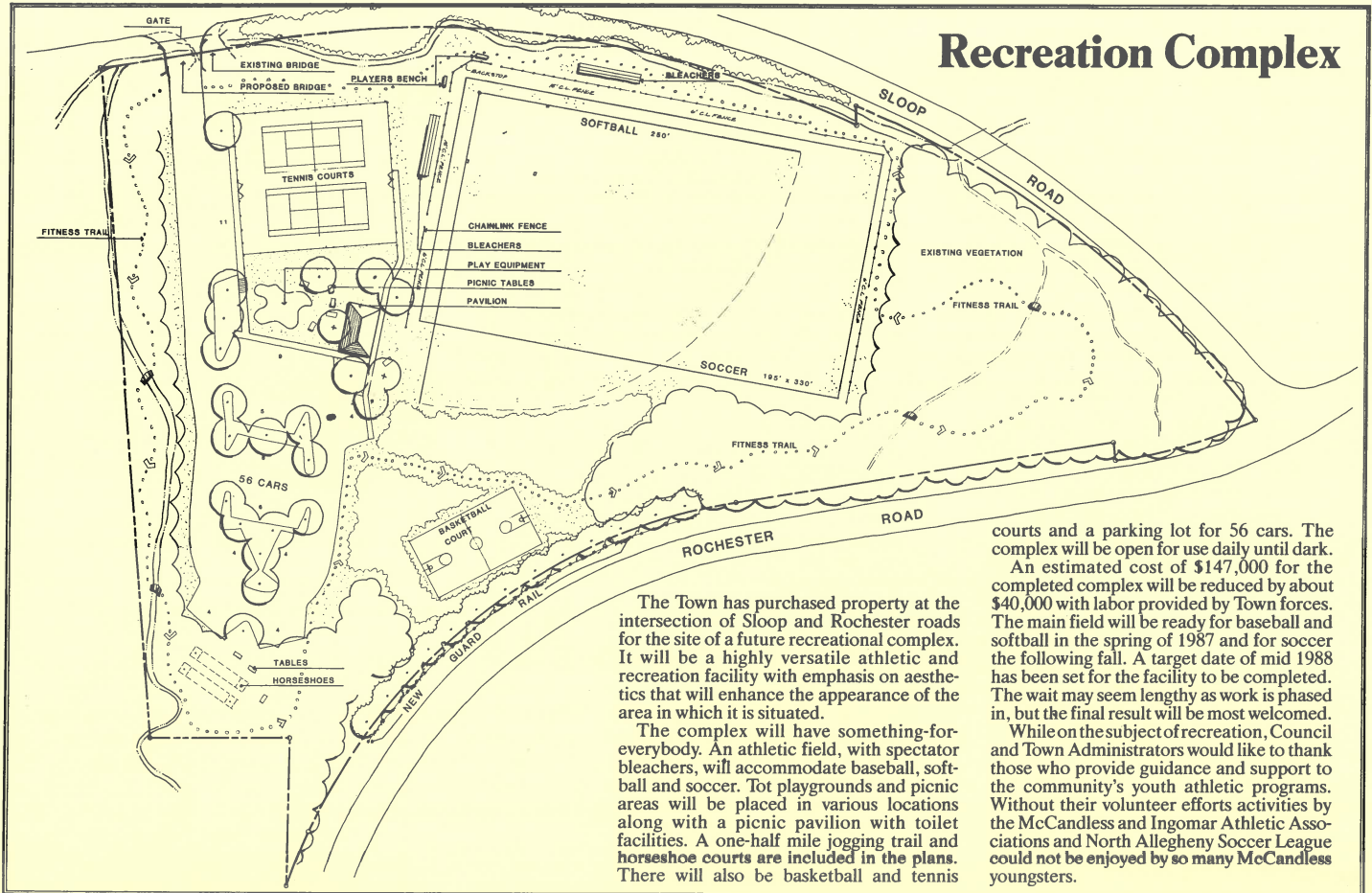
Retires After 21 Years

Public Works Department employee, J. Paul Richter received a letter of appreciation from Council President Robert J. Powers

(left) and an engraved pewter mug from Councilman Harold W. Moores at his retirement ceremony, February 24, 1986.



Recreation Complex



The Town has purchased property at the intersection of Sloop and Rochester roads for the site of a future recreational complex. It will be a highly versatile athletic and recreation facility with emphasis on aesthetics that will enhance the appearance of the area in which it is situated.

The complex will have something-for-everybody. An athletic field, with spectator bleachers, will accommodate baseball, softball and soccer. Tot playgrounds and picnic areas will be placed in various locations along with a picnic pavilion with toilet facilities. A one-half mile jogging trail and horseshoe courts are included in the plans. There will also be basketball and tennis

courts and a parking lot for 56 cars. The complex will be open for use daily until dark.

An estimated cost of \$147,000 for the completed complex will be reduced by about \$40,000 with labor provided by Town forces. The main field will be ready for baseball and softball in the spring of 1987 and for soccer the following fall. A target date of mid 1988 has been set for the facility to be completed. The wait may seem lengthy as work is phased in, but the final result will be most welcomed.

While on the subject of recreation, Council and Town Administrators would like to thank those who provide guidance and support to the community's youth athletic programs. Without their volunteer efforts activities by the McCandless and Ingomar Athletic Associations and North Allegheny Soccer League could not be enjoyed by so many McCandless youngsters.

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