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TOWN OF McCANDLESS

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*Boys and girls enjoy an arts and crafts session during the Summer Recreation Program sponsored by the Town of McCandless.*

## SUMMER FUN

For the 19th continuous year, the summer recreation program is providing the young people of our community with an assortment of activities in which to participate. Councilman Gerard J. Aufman, Jr. has been the Joint Board Chairman since the inception of the program. Mr. Aufman, a career educator, oversees a program that emphasizes fun and enjoyment and one that utilizes the talents of carefully selected professionals to insure the continued quality of the program, as well as the safety of the participants. This year's program runs from June 15 to July 10 and has centers at Carson Middle School, Espe Elementary, Hosack Elementary and Ingomar Elementary and Middle schools as well.

The summer recreation program provides students who have completed grade 1 through grade 8 with a roster of activities that includes arts and crafts, scavenger hunts

and bingo, and softball, dodgeball, and hockey. There is something to appeal to every interest. The program also offers skill building programs in a wide variety of sports. The skill building program affords both girls and boys the opportunity to learn important abilities in a relaxed atmosphere. More specialized programs are available for older students seeking to improve in a specific area.

Recreation program notices and registration forms are distributed in all schools. Students may register at a facility that is the most convenient to their homes. (A \$5.00 fee is charged to defray insurance and service expenditures.) Any student not signed up prior to the end of the school-year may do so at any recreation center site.

For an exciting and active summer, one that encourages fun as well as learning, take advantage of the marvelous opportunities that the recreation program provides.

## TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

Recognizing the need for improved east west traffic flow and a transportation system to accommodate existing and future traffic in the McKnight Road area of the Town, a transportation improvement district is being planned for this area. Road improvements will occur at the Duncan-Babcock, Cumberland-Babcock and future Duncan-McKnight intersections. New traffic signals will be installed at Duncan-Babcock and McKnight-Duncan, as well as an upgraded signal at Cumberland-Babcock. Duncan Avenue will be extended from its terminus in the Lincoln Club property across McKnight Road to serve properties on the west of McKnight. These plans provide access to McKnight Road so that no private curb cuts occur along McKnight and provide a roadway system that will handle all development — past and future — from the properties in the district. Meetings with property owners in the proposed district have been held over the past several months. A hearing will be held on July 13, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. which will include information on these construction plans.

## CABLE IMPROVEMENTS

TCI of Pennsylvania, Inc. announced a plan to install a state of the art fiber "backbone" distribution system that will significantly augment their already existing coaxial cable operation. The new system will utilize the advanced technology of the Fiber Optic Cable to increase picture quality and ensure a higher level of system reliability. The new system will allow for greater flexibility when addressing the advent of new technologies. In addition to the installation of the Fiber Optic Network, approximately seventy (70) miles of the existing plant will be upgraded to expand channel capacity. Work on both projects is expected to be completed by mid to late 1993.

# BUYERS BEWARE

Town residents — particularly the elderly — should be aware that the warmer months experience an increased activity of business scams perpetrated by transient vendors and confidence artists. These scams can be disguised in a variety of ways, from fraudulent charities to home improvement swindles. Whatever the pretense may be, the goal remains the same — to gain entry into your home.

Gaining entry into a home is the prime objective of criminals. Individuals may request permission to make an emergency phone call. Others, often working in pairs, may seek entry using any number of reasons or excuses. Once inside, one will distract the homeowner while the other seeks out valuables and or money. Another variation is for individuals to play the role of law enforcement officers or other officials; utility workers or inspectors are often mimicked as well. A common occurrence is for someone professing to be a

repairman who has just finished a job in the area and has materials left over, offering services that, if ever done, are inferior. The elderly are typically targeted as prey for scams such as these and, regrettably, are cajoled into paying large sums of money for ostensibly legitimate services.

By being cognizant of a few simple facts and exercising observation and common sense, the number of these crimes can be drastically reduced. Utility workers, law enforcement personnel, and municipal employees all have personal identification which they readily display. Solicitors must have a Town of McCandless Permit (that they are required to display upon request) and are only allowed to solicit during certain hours. In addition, residents are urged to ask for telephone numbers and references as a way of verifying the veracity of any business or individual.

Those seeking entry into a house should be asked to produce proper identification or a valid permit. If they fail to do so, residents are urged to call the Police Department immediately.

A final reminder: If something you are offered seems too good to be true, it probably is!



## POLICE REPORTS

**Traffic Control** — The Town's successful VASCAR program is expanding with the installation of more lines across the roadways. Because traffic control is essential in maintaining the safety of McCandless residents, motorists are strongly urged to accept their responsibility and drive within the posted speed limits. VASCAR has consistently proven itself to be a deterrent to speeding and its increased presence can only make the program more effective in reducing vehicular speeding.

**Sight Obstruction** — The annual problem of foliage overgrowth is upon us again. The task of controlling this growth is the responsibility of all property owners. Motorist's line-of-sight *must not* be obstructed by foliage of trees, bushes, shrubs, or other growing plants. The blocking of vision that results from any overgrowth creates a real and present danger for drivers and pedestrians and contributes to increased insurance liability. Anyone knowing of a street or intersection where the view of traffic or pedestrians is obstructed by trees or other growths is asked to notify the Police Department. The Police Department will then advise the owner of their responsibility and allow ten (10) days for the condition to be corrected. If the property owner fails to comply and the problem persists, the Town's ordinances allow for the levying of fines. In addition, on Town roads, the Town may clear the obstruction and charge the owner for the costs involved.

Responsible landscape management is one way that you can make your community a safer place to live. Please take the time to prevent an accident before it happens.

**Police Alliance** — The North Hills Drug Task Force, a coalition of police forces from several municipalities, continues to combat crimes with links to chemical abuse and exploitation. The McCandless Police Department maintains an active role in this task force that utilizes the resources of County, State, and Federal drug enforcement agencies to seize the initiative in the war against drugs. The Town's ongoing presence is evidence of a firm belief and commitment in the Task Force's mandate to eradicate crimes of a chemically dependent nature.

## GYPSY MOTH SPRAY PROGRAM

Round Three of the Town's efforts to control the gypsy moth took place on May 14 and 15. As with the programs of the past two years, the morning spraying began shortly before dawn and ideal weather conditions allowed the spraying to be completed by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 15. Our contractor, K & K Aircraft, sprayed with Bt (*Bacillus Thuringiensis*) and Dimilin, the same materials used last year. K & K Aircraft utilized a twin-engine turbo-prop Beechcraft airplane to conduct the spraying. A total of 4905 acres were treated.

The Town's program has been successful, however, unfortunately, we cannot expect to eradicate the gypsy moth. Residents can play a key part in the program by destroying egg masses before they hatch. Look for the buff colored egg masses on the bark of trees, on poles and fence posts, in woodpiles, under decks, etc., and scrape off any you can find into a bucket of soapy water. Egg masses will begin to appear in late July and early August each year. The Town will again employ professional consultants to determine which areas require treatment in 1993.

## STORM WATER INFORMATION

If there are questions or problems concerning storm water within the Town of McCandless, it is easy to find the answers.

For questions concerning streets, DPW Supervisor Mark Sabina is the man to call; his number is 369-8096. For information pertaining to new developments call Dave Johnson at 369-7904 and for questions regarding new houses or additions please contact Allen Baldwin at 369-7905. Please remember, answers can be obtained more quickly if questions are directed to the correct person.

The Department of Public Works cautions residents that the dumping of *any* materials and substances down storm sewers or catch basins is *illegal* and is a fineable offense. These sewers and catch basins are designed for water only — other materials, such as oil, paint, and debris of any sort can compromise the system and cause environmental problems that effect the entire community. Your compliance with regulations helps to maintain a more efficient DPW and results in a healthier environment in which to live.





## SIXTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Have you ever wondered what was behind the castle wall at 9000 Babcock Boulevard? You will have the opportunity to find out on September 27, when the Sisters of Divine Providence will hold an open house as part of the celebration of their 65th anniversary in the Town of McCandless. The Provincial House of the Sisters of Divine Providence, erected in 1926-7 and modeled after a Bavarian castle, is designated as a historical landmark. Although two institutions have grown up on either side, LaRoche College and North Hills Passavant Hospital, the Provincial House is still the prominent architectural figure in the area. The Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Providence, founded in Germany in 1851, came to this country in 1876, and moved to the North Hills in 1927, when there was little but farm land around. Later this summer, residents will be extended an invitation to join the Sisters on Sunday, September 27, for a visit and tour of their building.

## REFUSE AND RECYCLING

Freon is now "hazardous" waste! Because of the deterioration it causes to the earth's ozone layer, freon can no longer be released into the atmosphere. Therefore, refrigerators, freezers and air conditioning units must be emptied of freon before being placed at the curb for disposal. Piccirilli Disposal will gladly continue to take these items once the freon has been drained from them. A sticker of certification by an authorized technician must be visible on the item placed out for disposal; otherwise Piccirilli will not be permitted under Federal law to take it. Contact the Yellow

Pages, Piccirilli, or EPA to obtain names of authorized freon technicians.

**Refuse Collection Contract**—Piccirilli Disposal Services is in the final year of their contract. A new contract will be awarded prior to January 1, 1993.

**Refuse**—To avoid injury, remember to check your lawn for any aluminum lids which may have fallen from your recycling bin when emptied.

**Recycling Request**—Because the Town's recycling program requires not only participation, but correct participation, it is necessary for the highest level of compliance with the rules and regulations by all McCandless residents. For all the accrued benefits for correctly recycled materials there also is a penalty for the inclusion of materials that are not recyclable. The Town has been informed by its carrier that residents have been incorrectly including non-recyclable plastics in the form of CONTAINER LIDS. Therefore, the Town requests that its residents NOT include plastic lids of any kind in the collection bins. Your correct participation is essential to the continuing success of the recycling program.

## FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY

Effective fire prevention requires and informed community to take an active part in fire safety programs. Listed below are some essential facts that will help promote fire prevention and make the Town of McCandless a safer place to live. All residents, acting together, do make a difference.

**Open Burning**—IT IS AGAINST THE LAW! The Town of McCandless and Allegheny County Ordinances ban the burning of trash and other materials that emit smoke and odors in the air. This includes burning of wood, cardboard, leaves, rubbish, trash, and other combustible debris. Violators can be fined up to \$1000 for each offense under the County Air Pollution Code and \$300 for each offense under the Town Fire Code.

**Smoke Detectors**—Since fire grows so quickly and so often while people are asleep, it is very important for your family to have the early warning that smoke detectors provide. Accordingly, it is EXTREMELY important to periodically check the batteries and replace them if needed to ensure that they are working.

**Flammables**—Always store gasoline and kerosene outside and away from your

## INCREASED ACCESS

In an effort to be more responsive to all of its residents, the Town of McCandless has obtained and installed a T.D.D. (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) system. This system—currently in operation in the police and administrative offices, as well as in the ambulance authority—allows for direct telephone interaction with the hearing impaired. The T.D.D. interfaces with similar devices already present on telephones used by persons with a hearing disability. When made, this connection enables an operator to enter specific prompts regarding the nature of the inquiry or problem, resulting in a quicker, more efficient response. This increased efficiency will be beneficial particularly in emergency situations, when time is crucial to a successful outcome.

T.D.D. is a giant step forward in increasing access for all of the Town's citizens. It represents another example of the Town of McCandless' continued commitment to responsive and interactive governance.

house—NEVER INDOORS!

**Fire Extinguishers**—Every household should have at least one "ABC" type fire extinguisher. When purchasing the extinguisher, make sure the word rechargeable appears on the label.

**Fireworks**—Town of McCandless Ordinances make it illegal to SELL, USE, or EXPLODE any fireworks including sparklers within the Town. Under the Town Fire Code, violators are subject to a fine of \$300 for each offense.

**Fire Companies**—An undermanned fire company—no matter how well equipped—operates under a serious handicap. To maintain efficient service, more volunteers are needed. Please call any of the presidents for information on joining. James Hough (Highland) 364-5619, Gerard Aufman, Jr. (Ingomar) 364-1814 or, William Shafer (Peebles) 366-0235.

**Automatic Fire Alarm Systems**—There are an increasing number of automatic fire alarm systems being installed in homes. In an effort to have the fire companies operate more efficiently, the Fire Marshall would like to have all households with a fire alarm system fill out a registration card. This is strictly on a VOLUNTEER basis. Registration cards may be obtained by calling the Fire Marshall's office at 369-7905.



# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

## MAY 28, 1991

Ordinance No. 1056 was adopted authorizing the borrowing of \$800,000 for the Public Works maintenance building.

A contract was awarded to Wine Construction Company for the reconstruction and resurfacing of certain Town roads at an estimated cost of \$806,644.34.

The following appointments were made: Jack D. Frost — Town of McCandless Planning Commission with term starting immediately and ending December 31, 1994; David E. McIntyre — Town of McCandless Planning Commission with term starting immediately and ending December 31, 1994; Robert J. Dickson — MTSA with term starting immediately and ending December 31, 1991; Gerard F. Hickel — McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority with the term starting immediately and expiring December 31, 1995.

Ordinance No. 1057 amending Article 505 of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, Section 505.10 entitled PROHIBITED LEFT TURNS by prohibiting left hand turns from Longvue Avenue onto Route 19 (Pine Creek hill) was adopted.

## JUNE 24, 1991

Resolution No. 10 of 1991 qualifying transportation district financing for tax exempt status was adopted.

Sub-division request of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of West View for a lot division located at 200 Hillvue Lane was approved.

The preliminary 29 lot sub-division request of Allegheny Development Corporation for the McLean Farms Plan of lots located on Rinaman Road was approved.

The authorization of the construction of the personal storage facilities by RAH Associates... contingent upon (1) the developer providing a high rate of heat detector in each personal storage unit that will be tied into a 24 hour alarm monitoring and guardhouse facility, (2) a draft stop will be located every 10' on center throughout the building, (3) the office building will be suppressed in accordance with Town fire codes, and (4) the fire alarm system be connected by phone to the dispatching desk was approved.

Ordinance No. 1059 amending Article 305 of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless entitled PEDDLERS, TRANSIENT VENDORS was changed to increase the penalty for violation of this ordinance from \$50.00 to \$250.00.

Resolution No. 12 of the 1991 Series authorizing the Town to enter into a maintenance agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the traffic signal to be installed at the intersection of Duncan Avenue and Babcock Boulevard was adopted.

A contract was awarded to Kellner Equipment Company, Inc., for the relocation and installation of fuel pumps at the Public Works maintenance building at a cost of \$30,397.00.

Resolution No. 13 of the 1991 Series commemorating the return of hometown Desert Storm Troops was adopted.

## JULY 23, 1991

A site plan application of Sun Refining Corporation for a 12' x 40' mini mart addition to the existing building located at 10451 Perry Highway was approved.

A request of Northmont United Presbyterian Church for a waiver of Section 1705.05 of the Town of McCandless Building Code pertaining to the Town's 3:1 fill slope requirement was tabled. It will be discussed in further detail at the Zoning Committee Meeting to take place the second Monday in August.

Reapproval of the preliminary/final three lot sub-division request of William Englert for property located on Meadow Road was granted.

Resolution No. 14 of the 1991 Series authorizing the Town to enter into a maintenance agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the traffic signal to be installed at the intersection of Route 19 (Perry Highway), Old Perry Highway and Gloria Street was approved.

A contract was awarded to Allegheny Ford Truck Sales, Inc., for the purchase of a traffic signal maintenance truck at a cost of \$53,634.00.

## AUGUST 26, 1991

Resolution No. 15 of the 1991 Series amending Resolution No. 20 of 1985 amending the rules and regulation for tax on earned income and net profits was adopted. This change allows people to deduct a business loss from salary/wage income.

Resolution No. 16 of the 1991 Series authorizing a grant of \$12,000.00 to Peebles Volunteer Fire Company for an addition to the fire station located on Duncan Avenue was adopted.

Resolution No. 17 of the 1991 Series, authorizing the participation of the Town of McCandless in the North Hills Council of Governments equipment bank was adopted.

Resolution No. 18 of the 1991 Series approving the K-mart Bonds Refunding Project of the McCandless Industrial Development Authority in compliance with Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended was adopted.

A site plan application of Dollar Bank for property located at McIntyre Square for a proposed drive thru branch bank was approved.

The request of Northmont United Presbyterian Church for a waiver of Section 1705.05 of the Town of McCandless Building Code pertinent to the Town's 3:1 fill slope requirement was approved.

The request of Quaker Highlands, Inc. for an extension of the land development time constraints for the southeasterly portion of the Early property (Blazier Drive) until August 31, 1992 was approved.

Ordinance No. 1060, an ordinance taking over and accepting as Town roads the roads in the Lincoln Club complex was adopted.

A request of John S. Bernhard for an extension of the land development time constraints for property located at 9559 Babcock Boulevard, such extension to expire August 31, 1992 was approved.

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of McCandless and the McCandless Police Officers Association for the period beginning January 1, 1992 and ending December 31, 1993 was approved. Tobias Cordek, Town Manager and Edith Ligouri, Assistant Manager were commended for their efforts as were the police personnel.

## SEPTEMBER 9, 1991

A public hearing was held on the North Hills Passavant Hospital refinancing to discuss how this would effect the Town of McCandless. The bonds issued to NHPH will be tax exempt bonds and will have no effect on the Town nor will the Town be obligated to any financial indebtedness. The part of the Hospital complex that is currently taxable will remain the same.

Resolution No. 19 of the 1991 Series for North Hills Passavant Hospital refinancing was adopted. The resolution declares that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people in the area served by North Hills Passavant Hospital to participate with the hospital in a project consisting of (1) construction and renovation of a four story east wing addition, (2) a two story office/storage building, (3) the acquisition of capital equipment, (4) refinancing of existing debt incurred by the hospital; and (5) approving the issuance of the Butler County Hospital Authority hospital revenue bonds, Series 1991 (NHPH).

## SEPTEMBER 23, 1991

Authorization was issued to the Town Manager to sell three 1989 Chevrolet Caprice used police cars to the highest bidders.

Resolution No. 20 of the 1991 Series authorizing the filing of an application for funds with the Allegheny County Department of Development (Wittmer Road Drainage project). The Town has been submitting applications for five years and has not been successful in obtaining funds to date. If the Town does not receive the funds, it will do the project itself.

Simple sub-division request of James and Debra Platts for property located at 163 Richard Road was tabled until Council's Regular Business Meeting on October 28, 1991.

A site plan application for Pittsburgh National Bank for a proposed building to be located at McIntyre Square was approved.

A request of Allegheny Development Company for a one year extension of the land development time constraints for property located along Route 19 (adjacent to the Ingomar Volunteer Fire substation) until September 28, 1992 was approved.

Ordinance No. 1062 was adopted for taking over and accepting as Town roads Belton Circle, Westchester Drive and Arthur Drive in the



Hickory Hills development.

Ordinance No. 1063 amending Ordinance No. 704, "The Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless", by amending Article 505, Section 505.04, entitled PARKING by establishing a no parking zone on the southern side of Forest Edge Court for its entire length was adopted.

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of McCandless and General Warehousemen and Employees Union Local 636 on behalf of the Town of McCandless Communications Operators for the period beginning May 1, 1991 and ending April 30, 1994 was approved. The Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of McCandless and General Warehousemen and Employees Union Local 636 on behalf of the Town of McCandless Public Works Employees for the period beginning May 1, 1991 and ending April 30, 1994 was approved. The administration, Public Works Department and communications operators were commended for doing a good job on these contracts.

Ordinance No. 1064 amending Article 914, Section 915.03, entitled "Evidence of Compliance, Document of Certification, Application" of Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless by authorizing the substitution of a sanitary sewer dye test of the McCandless Township Sanitary Authority for that of a registered plumber when the property has been smoke and/or dye tested under the MTSA Comprehensive Sewer Inspection Program within one year of the date of such a test conducted by the MTSA was adopted.

Contracts were awarded to the lowest responsible bidders: Duquesne Light Company for cinders at \$6.70 per ton delivered to the Town (as per the North Hills COG joint bid); Sal Chemical Company, Inc., for calcium chloride Type 1 flake at \$240.00 per ton delivered to the Town (as per the North Hills COG joint bid); Chemply Division of E.&E. (US) Inc., for liquid calcium chloride at \$.4666 per gallon delivered to the Town (as per the North Hills COG joint bid); Anzo Salt, Inc., for sodium chloride (rock salt) at \$28.35 per ton delivered to the Town (as per the North Hills COG joint bid).

#### OCTOBER 28, 1991

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1065 to change the use district of property located on Grubbs and Ingomar Roads from C-1 (commercial recreation district) to C-3 (highway commercial district) as per the request of Douglas R. and Gregory N. Wood. The public hearing will be reviewed at the Zoning Committee Meeting on November 11, 1991 and formal action will be taken on the request at Council's Regular Business Meeting on November 25, 1991.

The resignation of Joan Glavin from the

Town of McCandless Personnel Board was accepted by Council effective immediately with their thanks to Ms. Glavin for the work she has done for the Town.

A site plan application of Alfred E. Thompson for property located at Arcadia Center (West Arcadia Drive and McKnight Road) for a proposed medical arts building was approved.

Northern Industries, Inc. was awarded a contract for paving the streets on Parkmont Estates Plan of Lots at a cost of \$24,386.00.

## YOUR TOWN COUNCIL

### WARD 4

Robert J. Powers, President  
8756 Breezewood Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

### WARD 2

Gerard J. Aufman, Jr. V. Pres.  
9629 Hilliard Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

### WARD 1

Clifford C. Campbell  
1601 Montgomery Road  
Allison Park, PA 15101

### WARD 3

Harry E. Lyon  
242 Sunset Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

### WARD 5

William R. Griffith  
9040 Perry Knoll Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

### WARD 6

Thomas G. Mohr  
1341 Regency Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

### WARD 7

Roger A. Anderson  
8247 Coach Court  
Allison Park, PA 15101

Safety, Public Works, Culture and Recreation, and Debt Service.

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1066 amending Ordinance No. 1040 appropriating certain monies for fiscal year 1991.

The Home Rule Charter requires that any item that goes over budget by \$5000.00 and 10 percent of its original outlay must be reported by Council and Council must take action by holding public hearing and then reapprove these monies. The following items fell into this category: Earned Income Tax — *Temporary Personnel*, Building & Plants — *Wages Part-Time and Engineering & Architectural Services*, Protection to Persons & Property — *Officer-in-Charge*, Radio Operations — *Capital Purchases*, Highways, Streets & Roads — *Salaries & Wages-Part-Time-R/W Restoration; Engineering & Architectural Services*; and *Capital Purchases*. The final category requiring a change was Repair of Vehicles & Machines — *Vehicle Parts & Equipment*.

Formal action will be taken on the public hearings at Council's Regular Business Meeting in December.

Resolution No. 25 of the 1991 Series was adopted appointing the Town Manager and Assistant Manager as authorized representatives to make requests and receive tax information from Berkheimer Associates relative to the collection of Business Privilege Tax for the Town.

Ordinance No. 1065 changing the use district of property located on Grubbs and Ingomar Roads from C-1 (commercial recreation district) to C-3 (highway commercial district) as per the request of Douglas R. and Gregory N. Wood was denied.

#### DECEMBER 2, 1991

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1067 amending Part Thirteen, The Planning and Zoning Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless by amending various sections relating to signs. Formal action will be taken on this tentative ordinance on December 9, 1991.

#### DECEMBER 9, 1991

Ordinance No. 1065 of the 1991 Series was adopted amending Part Thirteen, The Planning and Zoning Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, by amending Section 1313.11 subsection (b), entitled TYPES OF SIGNS PERMITTED AND THEIR RESTRICTIONS by allowing political signs on private property with the property owner's permission.

#### DECEMBER 16, 1991

Ordinance No. 1066 was adopted setting the Real Estate Tax rate for 1992 and approval of the budget for the 1992 calendar year. The Real Estate Tax millage for the Town will remain at 10 mills as it has for the last 12 years.

Ordinance No. 1067 amending Ordinance No. 1040 appropriating monies for fiscal year 1991 was adopted.

Resolution No. 27 of the 1991 Series was adopted amending Resolution No. 4 of 1983 naming Pittsburgh National Bank as the Town depository for General Fund money and special funds, by adding the Earned Income Tax Account, Recreation Fund, Transportation District Fund, Fire Apparatus reserve Fund, and Capital Projects Fund and deleting the Revenue Sharing Fund.

Resolution No. 28 of the 1991 Series amending Resolution No. 18 of 1985 amending and restating the Town of McCandless retirement income plan for non-uniformed employees was adopted.

Resolution No. 29 of the 1991 Series establishing the amount when competitive bidding shall not be required for contracts for labor, material, supplies or services at \$22,444.02 was adopted.

Resolution No. 30 of the 1991 Series setting dates of various meetings of Town Council and Town agencies for the year 1992 was adopted.

Resolution 31 of the 1991 Series supporting legislation which will assist municipalities in expediting the disposition of vacant lots to adjacent property owners was adopted.

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# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS, continued

Merrill E. Kline was appointed to the Town of McCandless Personnel Board with the term commencing January 1, 1992 and expiring December 31, 1994.

A simple sub-division request of North Hills Passavant Hospital for property located at 9000 Babcock Boulevard to be known as the Sisters of Divine Providence Plan of Lots was approved.

The simple sub-division request of Albert E. Thomson et al, for property located on Griffith Drive to be known as the Abbott Acres Plan No. 2 was approved.

The site plan application of Vision Investments for property located at the Mansions of North Park located on Old Babcock Boulevard for proposed four unit townhouses was approved.

The extension of the land development time constraints until December 31, 1992 was approved for Zell Two Inc. for Parcel G, Pittsburgh Office and Research park and for Austin/Beck for the Timberwood Village Plan of Lots located off Rolshouse Road.

The following reappointments were made: Nancy Palmer — Planning Commission with the term commencing January 1, 1992 and expiring December 31, 1995; Richard C. Schnupp — Planning Commission with the term commencing January 1, 1992 and expiring December 31, 1995; Bruce W. Boul — Zoning Hearing Board with the term to commence January 1, 1992 and expiring December 31, 1994 and Robert J. Dickson — McCandless Township Sanitary Authority with the term to commence January 1, 1992 and expiring December 31, 1996.

Resolution No. 32 of the 1991 Series was adopted authorizing the upgrading of a traffic signal at Perrymont Road, Perry Highway and Rolshouse Road.

The Public Works Department was commended for their outstanding work keeping the roads clear of snow and ice during the adverse weather conditions.

The following members of the Councilmanic District Commission to revise the boundary lines of the Councilmanic Districts as required by the Town of McCandless Home Rule Charter have been appointed: Roger A. Anderson — Chairman and Sterling Farmer and Richard W. Hamilton, Jr. — Members.

The request by Officer Timothy Waibel for a Personnel Board hearing and that he be advised that he has a right to a Local Agency Hearing if he so requests was rejected.

A motion to authorize Clifford C. Campbell to be the Hearing Officer for any Local Agency hearing and to hear the matter and turn over all notes and documents to Council for its decision was passed.

## JANUARY 6, 1992

Town Attorney Womsley served as temporary chairman of the meeting to conduct the following elections and ceremonies: The Honorable Harry M. Montgomery administered the oath of office to Councilmen Clifford C. Campbell, Harry E. Lyon, William R. Griffith and Roger A. Anderson. Elections were then held

and Robert G. Powers and Gerard J. Aufman, Jr. were unanimously elected Council President and Vice President respectively.

J. Howard Womsley was appointed as Town Attorney.

Tobias M. Cordek was appointed Secretary of The Town of McCandless and Roger A. Anderson and Edith M. Liguori appointed Assistant Secretaries to two-year terms for the years 1992 and 1993.

Council President made the following Committee appointments: PUBLIC SAFETY — Clifford C. Campbell, Chairman and Thomas G. Mohr, Vice Chairman. SERVICES — William R. Griffith, Chairman and Clifford C. Campbell, Vice Chairman. PUBLIC WORKS — Gerard J. Aufman, Jr., Chairman and Harry E. Lyon, Vice Chairman. RECREATION — Roger A. Anderson, Chairman and William R. Griffith, Vice Chairman. ZONING — Harry E. Lyon, Chairman and Gerard J. Aufman, Jr., Vice Chairman. FINANCE — Thomas G. Mohr, Chairman and Roger A. Anderson, Vice Chairman.

Council President made the following appointments as liaison contacts for other boards and commissions: Planning Commission — Harry E. Lyon; Zoning Hearing Board — William R. Griffith, Jr.; McCandless Township Sanitary Authority — Clifford C. Campbell; McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority — Roger A. Anderson; Northland Public Library Authority — Thomas G. Mohr; North Pittsburgh Community Development Corporation — William R. Griffith, Jr.; North Hills Council of Governments — Robert J. Powers; Joint Recreation Board — Gerard J. Aufman, Jr.; McCandless Industrial Development Authority — Roger A. Anderson; Volunteer Firemen's Steering Committee — William R. Griffith, Jr.

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

## JANUARY 27, 1992

Resolution No. 1 of the 1992 Series ratifying the Town's joinder agreement with the Municipal Employees Insurance Trust for Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage was adopted.

Resolution No. 2 of the 1992 Series amending the accrued benefits definition within the Town of McCandless Police Pension Plan was adopted.

Dominic Navarro, II resigned effective immediately as a member of the McCandless Industrial Development Authority.

Mark Freise and John S. Mayberry were appointed to the McCandless Industrial Development Authority with the term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 1996.

The site plan application of Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) for the proposed parking facility on property located at 8651 Perry Highway (opposite Prescott Drive) was approved with contingencies.

The site plan application of Don Bindas for property located on Route 19 (directly in front of the former David Weis store) for a proposed sales office was approved.

The final sub-division request of Allegheny Development Corporation for a 29 lot sub-division to be known as the McLean Farms Plan of Lots located off Rinaman Road was approved.

Extension of the land development time constraints have been approved for: Ted Dixon for property located at 8419-8437 Perry Highway and St. Alexander Nefsky Orthodox Church for property located on Thompson Run Road until January 31, 1993.

K & K Aircraft, Inc. was awarded a contract to conduct the gypsy moth spray program in the Town of McCandless at a cost of \$11.60 per acre for 2 oz. dimilin, \$14.33 for 24 BIU of Bt and a lump sum cost of \$1600.00 for additional insurance coverage. Approximately 4600 acres will be sprayed.

Ordinance No. 1068 establishing Rynwood, Winnerwood, Edwood Water District in the Town of McCandless authorizing the installation of water lines and authorizing the assessment of abutting property was adopted.

Resolutions 3-7 of the 1992 Series which state the desire of the Town to erect, operate and maintain flashing warning devices at each school in the Town: Ingomar Elementary; Espe El-

ementary; McKnight Elementary & North Allegheny Intermediate High School, Peebles Elementary and Hosack Elementary were adopted.

The installation and maintenance costs for the flashing warning devices are being split with the school district.

## FEBRUARY 24, 1992

A public hearing was held on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1069 amending Part Seventeen, Building Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless by amending various sections relating to:

Section 1701.04(g) Fire separation wall requirements would be changed to include floor and ceiling assemblies to be constructed of docks planking or poured concrete.

Section 1701.04(j), *Fire Suppression Systems* — BOCA Use Groups 1-1, 1-2, and 1-3

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which includes health care and day care facilities would be added.

Section 1701.04(t), *Site Plan* is being added so that a survey may be required by the building official/zoning official during any point of construction on a piece of ground that has a permit issued on it for grading or building so if any problems arise as to where the building lies, setback or items not properly identified, the job can be stopped until this has been done and the building official/zoning official has the authority to revoke the permit.

Section 1701.04(u), *Audio Visual Devices* — is being added to modify the fire code to include on all new buildings with fire suppression systems or automatic fire detection systems that an audio visual device be placed on the outside of the building at a point designated by the Fire Marshal's office.

Section 1701.04(v), *Health Care Facilities* — is being added to require that in all new health care facilities the patient rooms be equipped with detectors which annunciate to the nurse's station.

This public hearing will be reviewed at the Services Committee Meeting on March 2, 1992 and formal action will be taken on the proposed ordinance at Council's Regular Business Meeting of March 23, 1992.

Resolution No. 8 of the 1992 Series amending Resolution No. 26 of the 1992 Series authorizing the allocation of general municipal pension system aid was adopted.

#### **MARCH 23, 1992**

Town Manager announced the transportation district hearing tentatively scheduled for this evening had been postponed until a later date.

The vote on the ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1069 amending Part Seventeen, Building Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, by amending various sections relating to fire separation walls, site plan, audio visual devices and health and day care facilities was rescheduled for Council's Regular Business Meeting on April 27, 1992.

Resolution No. 9 of the 1992 Series establishing the Town as a Section 125 employer under the Federal Income Tax Codes was adopted.

Resolution No. 10 of the 1992 Series authorizing the Council President and Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the North Hills Council of Governments for rental of its sewer "vector" and camera was adopted.

The request of John Baun for a one year extension of the land development time constraints for property located on Pine Creek Road, such extension to expire March 31, 1993 with such approval accepting the offer of John Baun to create an escrow account of \$6,000.00 to be used solely for the reconstruction of the Pine Creek Road bridge was approved.

Allegheny Ford Truck Sales, Inc. was awarded a contract for: One 1992 dump truck 35,000 lb. GVWR at a cost of \$46,076.00 with trade-in and one 1992 dump truck 30,000 lb. GVWR at a cost of \$47,199.00 with trade-in.

Traffic Systems & Services was awarded a contract for upgrade of the traffic signal at Perryment Road, Rolhouse Road and Route 19 (Perry Highway) at a cost of \$57,000.00

#### **APRIL 13, 1992**

The bids received on March 20, 1992 for four police vehicles were rejected.

Resolution No. 11 of the 1992 Series appointing PNC Securities Corporation as bond underwriter and paying agent/trustee and Ronald Brown, Esq., of the firm of Grogan, Grffam, McGinley & Lucchino, P. C., as Bond Counsel for the Town of McCandless Bond Issue Series of 1992 was adopted.

#### **APRIL 27, 1992**

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1070 amending Part Thirteen, Title Three, Zoning Code of the Town of McCandless, by adding Article 1344, "Transportation Overlay District" (TD-1) which will define and establish Transportation Overlay Districts which require certain studies, establish certain improvement requirements and regulate development density in Transportation Development Districts established pursuant to the Transportation Partnership Act, 53 P.S., Section 1621. The public hearing will be reviewed at the Zoning Committee Meeting on May 11, 1992 and formal action will be taken at Council's Regular Business Meeting of May 26, 1992.

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1071, to change the use district of property located on Grubbs Road from C-1 (commercial recreation district) to C-7 (office building district) as per the request of Tasir Wahlah. The public hearing will be reviewed at the Zoning Committee Meeting of May 11, 1992 and formal action will be taken on the request at Council's Regular Business Meeting of May 26, 1992.

Resolution No. 12 of the 1992 Series implementing a mutual purchasing program for the benefit of local government units within the Town of McCandless was adopted.

A site plan application of the Port Authority Transit of Allegheny County for a radio tower and building to be located at North Park was approved.

Ordinance No. 1069, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 704, "The Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless", by amending Article 505, Section 505.05, entitled "Fire Lanes Established; Parking Prohibited" and establishing a fire lane at the North Hills Passavant Hospital Administration Building was passed.

Ordinance No. 1070 amending Ordinance 1049 establishing a requirement for certification of sanitary sewer status prior to sale, transfer, assignment, mortgaging or refinancing of any real estate within the Town of McCandless was adopted requiring each property in the Town to be tested one time for proper sewage connections.

Shaull Equipment & Supply Company was awarded a contract for one articulated all wheel drive loader with boom and pallet fork at a cost of \$56,448.00 with trade-in.

Tetmyer Construction Company was awarded a contract for the construction of 6863 L.F. of storm sewers varying in size from 15" to 42" with all the necessary appurtenances in various loca-

tions throughout the Town of McCandless on a per unit basis at a total cost of \$313,670.00.

#### **MAY 26, 1992**

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1072 amending Part Thirteen, Planning and Zoning Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, by adding Article 1328, "Residential-Commercial District" (R-C District) located along Perry Highway from Prescott Drive south to the Town line. A formal meeting was scheduled for June 15, 1992 to discuss the R-C District.

A public hearing was called to order on an ordinance tentatively identified as Ordinance No. 1073 changing the use district of property located at Ingomar Road and Dell Lane from R-2 (one and two family residential) to C-7 (office building district) as per the request of Ted Dixon. A formal vote was scheduled for June 15, 1992.

Resolution No. 13 of the 1992 Series authorizing the Council President and Town Manager to sign an agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDot) for proposed roadway improvements at the intersection of Cumberland Road and Babcock was adopted.

Resolution No. 14 of the 1992 Series was adopted amending Resolution No. 19 of 1989 establishing various Town fees and charges.

Ordinance No. 1071 authorizing the Town to participate in the Municipal Risk Management Workmen's Compensation Pooled Trust was adopted. By not having to obtain insurance in the Town, the Town should realize a substantial savings.

Ordinance No. 1072 was adopted authorizing the borrowing of \$1,000,000 which will pay for interim expenses related to the Town of McCandless Transportation District Bond issue Series 1992.

Ordinance No. 1073 amending Part Thirteen Title Three, Zoning Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Town of McCandless, by adding Article 1344, "Transportation Overlay District" (TD-1), which will define and establish Transportation Overlay Districts which will require certain studies, establish certain improvement requirements and regulate development density of Transportation Development Districts established pursuant to the Transportation Partnership Act, 53 P.S., Section 1621 was adopted.

Ordinance No. 1074 changing the use district of property located on Grubbs Road from C-1 (commercial recreation district) to C-7 (office building district) as per the request of Tasir Wahlah was adopted.

Resolution No. 15 of the 1992 Series amending Resolution No. 18 of 1987 revising the paving and grading specifications of the Town of McCandless was adopted.

John E. Kalb was appointed to the McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority with the term commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 1995.

Wine Construction, Inc., was awarded a contract for the reconstruction and resurfacing of certain Town roads at an estimated cost of \$1,173,706.41.



# ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The continued high quality of the roads and streets in McCandless is the result of ongoing, comprehensive maintenance programs. This year 21 roadways are scheduled for improvements. Wine Construction, Inc. received this year's contract for the program. The estimated cost is \$1,173,706.41. Roads and streets scheduled for improvement include:

## RESURFACE

Street:	From:	To:
Arthur Drive	Haddon Place	Rinaman Road
Belton Circle	Westchester	Turn Around
Blazier Drive	McKnight Road	Pine Creek
E. Van Buren Drive	Van Buren Drive	Van Buren Drive
Ingomar Heights Road	Ingomar Road	Town Line FP
Lamplite Lane	Turn Around	Rynwood Road
Marquis Drive	Van Buren Drive	Plan Line
Prescott Drive	Perry Highway	Turn Around
Remington Drive	Plan Line	Peebles Road
Saratoga Drive	Plan Line	Ingomar Road
Toft Court	Saratoga Drive	Turn Around
Van Buren Drive	Turn Around	Roosevelt
Westchester Drive	Arthur Drive	Westchester

## RECONSTRUCT

Street:	From:	To:
Edwood Road	Winnerwood	Perrymont Road
Harmony Parkway	Old Perry #1	Roosevelt
Kind Drive	Roosevelt	Turn Around
Meadow Road	Peebles Road	Turn Around
Meinert Road	Pine Creek	Town Line FP
Roosevelt Blvd	Turn Around	Harmony Parkway
Rynwood Road	Winnerwood	Edwood Road
Winnerwood Road	Rynwood Road	Edwood Road

# MAPPING THE FUTURE

The last quarter of a century has seen a meteoric rise in the level of computer technology. More sophisticated, affordable, and advanced operating systems are proving to be cost efficient tools in many areas of municipal life. The Zoning Department of the Town of McCandless is in the process of fully integrating such a tool: G.I.S. (Geographic Information Systems), a computerized mapping and information system that creates a multi-layered data base of readily accessible information. By digitizing (converting) already existing materials to computer language — each parcel of land in the Town, vital knowledge is condensed and no longer dependent upon the use of cumbersome and time consuming maps. G.I.S. will enable the user to quickly gather the information pertaining to such disparate subjects as: location of gas and water lines; zoning regulations and requirements; geological data; specific position of fire hydrants, and innumerable other subject areas.

By virtue of its highly interactive and polydimensional nature, G.I.S. will enhance effectiveness and save time across a wide scope. The value of this system reaches from improved emergency services to more effective future planning. The benefits accrued will be felt by the community collectively, as well as the individual resident, as McCandless moves confidently into the future.

**CORRECTION:** Real Estate Tax due on September 1, 1992 and November 2, 1992 is for the calendar year 1992, rather than for 1991 as indicated in The Town of McCandless 1992 Calendar.

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