

DALLAS BOROUGH

# Council adjusts police pension fund

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Borough council continued to make adjustments to its police pension fund at a meeting Wednesday night.

An ordinance was passed to remove killed-in-service benefits for police officers' families due to Act 51 of 2009, which makes the state responsible for paying these benefits.

The board also approved an ordinance to rewrite terms and definitions stated in the police pension fund to coordinate with language found in Act 600, the municipal police pension law.

"We tweaked the definition of service and the definition of military service," said Carr. "It hasn't caused an issue yet, but we want to make sure the language is exactly the same as it is in Act 600."

Council also approved a motion to continue its participation in the Luzerne County Office of Community Development Program for fiscal years 2012-14.

The cooperative purchase of a speed trailer between the borough and Dallas, Jackson, Lehman and Kingston townships was approved. The borough will contribute \$1,725 to the purchase.

The following roads will be paved in Dallas Borough pending state Department of Transportation approval: sections of Machell Avenue, Reservoir Road, Deer Meadow Drive and Powerhorn/Fawn Drive.

Carr announced curbside yard waste collection is underway and said residents need to purchase permits to participate in the program from the borough office on Main Street.

The road department can collect an equivalent of two 25-gallon yard waste containers on

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Mondays and Tuesdays weekly throughout the season. Yard waste collections exceeding this limit will not be collected, and residents are reminded not to place containers in road right-of-ways.

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The summer recreation program will begin on June 13 and end August 12 and will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. week days at the Kenneth Young Memorial Park on Burndale Road. The program is for up to 100 resident children aged 6-12. Registration will be held at the borough office on Main Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 23-27 and from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. May 28. There will be an activity fee of \$25 for the first child per family and a \$15 per additional child.

The annual Memorial Day parade will commence at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 30 at the Daddow-Isaac American Legion Post 672.

DALLAS TOWNSHIP

# Current ordinance deemed inadequate for gas

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Supervisors were given reasons why the current township zoning ordinance is inadequate to deal with the onslaught of applications for natural gas development at a meeting Wednesday night.

Before supervisors could approve the resolution prepared

by Solicitor Thomas Brennan, Supervisor Glenn Howell announced to the audience that he and his wife had signed a pipeline easement with Williams Field Services LLC last August and recused himself from any decisions regarding natural gas development that could potentially be considered a conflict of interest.

Williams has two applica-

At its May 3 meeting, the board struck down a proposed zoning ordinance amendment to provide regulations on the natural gas industry. What was passed was a resolution declaring the current zoning ordinance, passed in June 2008, as invalid.

tions currently within the township - one for zoning approval of a metering station and one for subdivision and land devel-

opment for a natural gas pipeline.

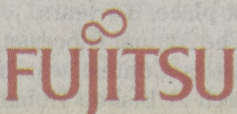
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