

Bill No. 4334-08

APPOINTMENT

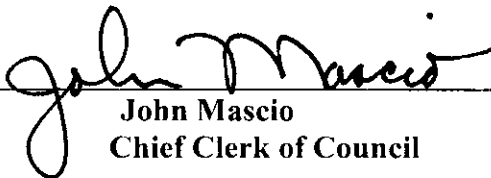
Approving the appointment of William F. Sray to serve as a member of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

In Council October 21, 2008.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



Rich Fitzgerald
President of Council

Attest: 

John Mascio
Chief Clerk of Council



DAN ONORATO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY

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September 16, 2008

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

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Honorable President and Members
Allegheny County Council
119 Courthouse
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of William F. Sray, whom I am recommending for appointment to the Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

The purpose of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board is to purchase the development rights of undeveloped farm land in Allegheny County. These development rights are held as easements against the property, meaning that the land cannot be developed. This board was created by state law and its activities are funded by the State. I am recommending that Mr. Sray fill the unexpired term of Ron Beinlich, who has resigned from the Board, ending on December 31, 2010.

Mr. Sray was born and raised on a family farm in Allegheny County. He currently operates a farm enrolled in the Allegheny County Agricultural Land Preservation Program, and has a second farm pending acceptance. Mr. Sray raises registered Black Angus cattle, and also is involved in an aggressive hay growing/bailing operation.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Mr. Sray will make himself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,

Dan Onorato
Allegheny County Executive

July 21, 2008

Attn: Lynn Ann Vozniak
Program Administrator ACALPP
c/o Allegheny County Conservation District
Lexington Technology Park
Building 1, Suite 102
400 North Lexington Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15208-2566

Dear Ms. Vozniak:

Attached please find my application for the vacancy on the Allegheny County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

I was born and raised on my family's farm here in Allegheny County. After graduating from Penn State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Science and Industry, I moved to New Jersey. I am a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, having served during the Viet Nam war era. After an honorable discharge I went on to own and operate the Sray Funeral Home for 40 years. While there I was elected to political office, serving as Township Committeeman, Township Clerk, Vice-Mayor and Mayor of Upper Deerfield Township, Cumberland County, for some 33 years.

I also served as an active member on the Township Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustments, and the Historical Commission. It was primarily a farming community so I had lots of opportunities during those years to observe firsthand how the New Jersey Farmland Preservation Program operated.

I was President and Secretary of the Overlook Cemetery Association, having also served as its Manager.

After retiring in 2002, my wife and I moved back to the Pittsburgh area where we purchased several farms next to my parent's original farm, one of which is already registered in the Allegheny County Agricultural Land Preservation Program. A second farm is pending acceptance. At present I am raising registered Black Angus cattle and am also involved in an aggressive hay growing/baling operation.

I wholeheartedly approve the Farmland Preservation Program and would very much like to be a part of its future.

William F. Sray

Cc: Mr. Dan Onorato, Chief Executive, County of Allegheny

SOUTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP
Volunteer
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

Please complete the following application and return it to Mr. Michael W. Hoy, Township Manager, at 515 millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064. If you have any questions regarding this application please feel free to contact Mr. Hoy at (412) 221-8700. Please be advised that all information provided is public information and can be reviewed by the public as set forth in the Freedom of Information Act.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT William F. Sray	PHONE NUMBER 412.221-4513
APPLICANT'S ADDRESS 3402 Old Oakdale Road, Mc Donald, PA 15057	
NUMBER OF YEARS A RESIDENT 22 years	
OCCUPATION Retired Funeral Director	EMPLOYER Self

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY/CIVIC ACTIVITIES	
1. Bridgeton Lions Club	FROM 1969 TO 2005
2. Senior Citizens League	FROM 1972 TO 2001
3. Overlook Cemetery Assoc.	FROM 1969 TO 2005
4. National Funeral Director's Association	FROM 1968 TO 2008
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