

SHARON CITY COUNCIL

Purpose: Public Hearing
Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Sharon Municipal Building Council Chambers

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Council:

X President Palanski X Rev. Trambley
X Mr. Connelly ___Mr. Burke
X Mr. James

X Scott Andrejchak – City Manager ___The Herald
X Attorney Madden – City Solicitor
X Lori Merolillo – City Clerk

Dept. Heads:

X Gerald T. Smith- Chief of Police
X John Cave - Street Dept.
___Ken Griffith- Finance Director
___Janet Thomas- Community Development
X Robert Fiscus- Chief of Fire/Code

I.) **LEGAL NOTICE-** *The City of Sharon will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday December 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Sharon Municipal Building, 155 West Connelly Blvd. Sharon, PA, to present the City of Sharon's 2016 Budget.*

II.) The purpose of the hearing was to discuss the proposed 2016 Operating Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENTS;

Mr. Palanski asked if there was a revised copy of the Budget and Mr. Andrejchak said yes that there was a more accurate copy in a different format but none of the numbers changed. Mr. Palanski commented that the Fire and Code Department were left together in the budget breakdown and felt that they needed to be separate to access Code Costs and Fire Costs. Mr. Palanski also added that the real estate tax does not need raised because property tax is vital for the future of the City so people want to move here. Mr. Palanski also said the tax base is stabilizing with Commercial properties moving in and he made a graph of previous tax for Earned Income Tax from 2008-2014 and include property tax for the same years. Mr. Palanski's graph showed the tax base has increased 2% each year and continued to say that the Home Rule Charter was to help the City get out of the bind and no property tax increase was included with that plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

Motion: Mr. James

Second: Mr. Connelly

Vote: Yes Mr. Connelly
Yes Mr. James
___ Mr. Burke

Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mr. Palanski