

**SHARON CITY COUNCIL**

**Purpose:** Regular Council Meeting  
**Date:** Thursday, January 15, 2015  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Location:** Sharon Municipal Building Council Chambers

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**TIME: 6:30 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Council:**

**X President Palanski**

**X Mr. Burke**

**X Mr. Connelly**

**X Rev. Trambley**

**\_\_\_ Mr. James**

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY: Judge Songer**

**Chief Smith introduced the new patrolman then Judge Songer conducted the swearing in**

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**News Media:**

**X Scott Andrejchak – City Manager**

**X The Herald**

**X Attorney Madden – City Solicitor**

**X Lori Merolillo – City Clerk**

**Dept. Heads:**

**X Gerald T. Smith - Chief of Police**

**X Robert Fiscus – Chief of Fire/Code**

**X John Cave - Street Dept.**

**\_\_\_ Ken Griffith- Finance Director**

**\_\_\_ Janet Thomas- Community Development**

**RECOGNITIONS**

**Mr. Palanski read the Certificate of Recognition for Saving Santa then presented each recipient their Certificate then Chief Smith presented each recipient with a pin from the Police Department.**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA:**

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES**

**Public Hearing for Ordinance 20-14, introduced December 18, 2014- SECOND AND FINAL READING** amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”.

**Public Hearing for Ordinance 21-14, introduced December 18, 2014- SECOND AND FINAL READING** amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”

**Public Hearing for Ordinance 22-14, introduced December 18, 2014- SECOND AND FINAL READING** amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”

**ORDINANCES**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #20-14 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”, Title Four, “Public Ways”, Chapter 440, “Special Uses of Public Ways”, Section .02 “Stop Streets”, to provide that all westbound vehicles be required to stop at Pitt Street’s intersections with DockStreet, North Railroad, Vine Ave. and Shenango Ave. **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion: Mr. Burke**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

**Vote:**           **Yes Mr. Connelly**  
                  **\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. James**  
                  **Yes Mr. Burke**

**Yes Rev. Trambley**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #21-14 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”, Title Four, “Public Ways”, Chapter 440, “Special Uses of Public Ways”, Section .02 “Stop Streets”, to provide that all Eastbound and Westbound vehicles be required to stop at Budd Street’s intersection with Sherman Ave. **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion: Mr. Connelly**

**Second: Rev. Trambley**

**Vote:**           **Yes Rev. Trambley**  
                  **Yes Mr. Connelly**  
                  **\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. James**

**Yes Mr. Burke**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #22-14 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon, Part Four, “Traffic Code”, Title Four, “Public Ways”, Chapter 440, “Special Uses of Public Ways”, Section .02 “Stop Streets”, to provide that all westbound vehicles be required to stop at Silver Street’s intersection with Dock St. **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion: Mr. Burke**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

**Vote:**           **Yes Mr. Burke**  
                  **Yes Rev. Trambley**  
                  **Yes Mr. Connelly**

**\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. James**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #01-15 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the City of Sharon Police Pension Plan to increase the maximum service increment to \$300.00 per month and to increase the base Pension Contribution to 3% of wages for calendar year 2014 and 4% of wages for calendar year 2015 and thereafter **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

**Motion: Mr. Burke**

**Second: Rev. Trambley**

**Vote:**    \_\_\_ **Mr. James**  
          **Yes Mr. Burke**  
          **Yes Rev. Trambley**

**Yes Mr. Connelly**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**MOTION** that Resolution #05-15 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the Proper City Officials to enter into a Contract with Bruce-Merrilees Electric Company New Castle, PA 16101 in the amount of \$77,308.41 for the ARLE Traffic Signal Upgrade Project in the City of Sharon. **be adopted**

**Motion: Rev. Trambley**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

**Vote:**       **Yes Mr. Connelly**  
              \_\_\_ **Mr. James**  
              **Yes Mr. Burke**

**Yes Rev. Trambley**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

*THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED BY CITY COUNCIL TO BE ROUTINE CITY BUSINESS AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION AND ONE ROLL CALL VOTE. ANY COUNCIL MEMBER, CITY OFFICIAL OR CITIZENS WISHING CLARIFICATION OF AN ITEM MAY ASK A QUESTION BY RAISING THEIR HAND AND IDENTIFYING THE ITEM BEFORE ADOPTION OF THE ITEM.*

**MOTION** that Resolution #06-15 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing, in accordance with Section 915 of the Home Rule Charter, The City Manager, or in the absence of the City Manager, the Tax Collector, to pay the bills submitted on Schedule A to Council" **be adopted.**

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2014 Regular Meeting, December 29, 2014 Special Meeting and January 5, 2015 Reorganizational Meeting. **be adopted.**

**Motion: Mr. Connelly**

**Second: Mr. Burke**

**Vote:**       **Yes Rev. Trambley**  
              **Yes Mr. Connelly**  
              \_\_\_ **Mr. James**

**Yes Mr. Burke**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**COMMENTS:**

**NEWS MEDIA:** Mr. Wiercinski asked if he could have a list of the 10 recipients of the Saving Santa Recognition Certificate.

**CITIZENS:** Carol Swartz said she was so proud of all the City Employees and the jobs they do especially the Police Department.

**MR. ANDREJCHAK:** Congratulations to the new Officers and added that the emergency Demolition to the Budd St property was moving ahead and should start next week.

**MR. CONNELLY:** Congratulations to all the Officers and the new ones along with a Congratulations to Bob Fiscus on his new position as Chief of Fire/Code. This is an example of where the City is going.

**MR. BURKE:** Congratulations to everyone that was recognized and told the new Officers to remember the oath they took and told them Congratulations and Good Luck. Also, Congratulated Bob Fiscus and agreed with Mr. Connelly that the City was heading in the right direction.

**MR. JAMES:**

**REV. TRAMBLEY:** Congratulations to everyone tonight and said he is grateful to be a citizen of Sharon.

**MR. PALANSKI:** Congratulations also to the new Officers and individuals who saved the gentleman's life. Very appreciative of all the Officers and also agreed the City is moving forward in a great way.

<b><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u></b>
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Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

**Motion: Mr. Burke**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

**Vote:**    **Yes Mr. Burke**  
          **Yes Rev. Trambley**  
          **Yes Mr. Connelly**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Mr. James**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**