

**SHARON CITY COUNCIL**

**Purpose:** Regular Council Meeting  
**Date:** Thursday, July 17, 2014  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Location:** Sharon Municipal Building Council Chambers

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**TIME: 6:32 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Council:**

**Yes President Palanski**

**\_\_\_\_ Mr. Burke**

**Yes Mr. Connelly**

**Yes Rev. Trambley**

**Yes Mr. James**

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**News Media:**

**Yes Scott Andrejchak – City Manager**

**\_\_\_\_ The Herald**

**Yes Attorney Madden – City Solicitor**

**Yes Lori Merolillo – City Clerk (Tammy Fuchs filled in)**

**Dept. Heads:**

**Yes Terry Whalen - Fire Chief**

**Yes Michael J. Menster - Chief of Police**

**\_\_\_\_ John Cave - Street Dept.**

**Yes Ken Griffith- Finance Director**

**Yes Janet Thomas- Community Development**

**Yes Robert Fiscus- Director of Code**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Carol Swartz**

**Henrietta King**

**Sam Walker**

**Ashley Kamovitch**

**Paul Darlington**

**Gerry Smith**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES**

**Public Hearing for Ordinance 05-14, introduced June 19, 2014- SECOND AND FINAL READING**

Authorizing a collective bargaining agreement with the FOP for the period beginning January 1, 2014 thru December 31, 2017.

\*\*Mrs. Carol Swartz asked if the FOP were the Police and Mr. Palanski replied yes.  
Mrs. Swartz also asked if in the future there would be a possibility that more Police or Fire would be hired. Mr. Palanski explained that the starting point is the budget and the finance which all the municipal services need to be funded first. Mr. Palanski added that the City is not out of the woods yet.

**Public Hearing for Ordinance 06-14, introduced June 19, 2014- SECOND AND FINAL READING**

Authorizing the vacating of Brady Court.

\*\*Mr. Madden wanted to inform Council that he spoke with Attorney Lackey who is representing the hospital and he informed Mr. Palanski that they are preparing a survey so Mr. Madden suggested tabling second reading of Ordinance 05-14 until the survey was completed and all the utilities can be located on that road. Mr. Palanski replied that Council will take Mr. Madden's suggested when they came to that part of the agenda.

\*\*Henrietta King asked what was going on with Brady Court. Mr. Andrejchak explained that a long time ago the City vacated part of that road for the hospital's use and now because of the sale the hospital would like the rest of Brady Court vacated.

**ORDINANCES**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #05-14 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing a collective bargaining agreement with the FOP for the period beginning January 1, 2014 thru December 31, 2017. **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion: Mr. James**

**Second: Rev. Trambley**

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

**\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Burke  
              Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #06-14 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the vacating of Brady Court. **Pass FINAL reading by Title.**

Tabled per Solicitor

**Motion: Mr. Connelly**

**Second: Mr. James**

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

**Yes Mr. James  
              Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #07-14 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving a referendum on the November ballot to repeal Section 914 of the Home Rule Charter. **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

Mr. Madden suggested scheduling a Special Meeting for Second Reading of Ordinance 07-14 next Friday July 25<sup>th</sup> to make sure the Ordinance is effective in time to get it to the Election Office by the deadline of August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Mr. Madden also added that the Ordinance also needs posted on the website for 7 days before completing Second reading.

**Motion: Mr. James**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

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

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

<b>RESOLUTIONS</b>
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**MOTION** that Resolution #43-14 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 Sereday Trucking, Inc. for the 2014 Demolition and Removal of Structures Project not to exceed \$42,000.00. **Be adopted**

**Motion: Rev. Trambley**

**Second: Mr. James**

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

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

**MOTION** that Resolution #44-14 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to approve an application to the Department of Community and Economic Development Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program in the amount of \$250,000.00 with a 15% match. **Be adopted**

**Motion: Rev. Trambley**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

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

**\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Burke**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Resolution #45-14 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to approve an agreement with Martuccio Asphalt and Paving for the purchase of up to 30,000 gallons of CRS-2 liquid asphalt at \$1.986 per gallon. **Be adopted**

**Motion: Mr. Connelly**

**Second: Mr. James**

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

**Yes Mr. James**  
**Yes Mr. Palanski**

**MOTION** that Resolution #46-14 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to approve an agreement with Martuccio Asphalt and Paving for the rental of various equipment up to \$710 per hour for up to 16 hours. **Be adopted**

**Motion: Rev. Trambley**

**Second: Mr. Connelly**

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

**Yes Mr. Connelly**  
**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 #40-14 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** that Resolution #41-14 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing the following board appointment:

**Sharon Beautification Commission- Gary Rose**

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2014 Regular Meeting. **Be adopted.**

**Motion: Rev. Trambley**

**Second: Mr. James**

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

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

**COMMENTS:**

**NEWS MEDIA:**

**CITIZENS:** Carol Swartz asked what Section 914 was referring to in the Ordinance. Mr. Palanski explained that Section 914 is the section that addresses the levying of taxes and Council is particularly interested in the section which restricts the ability to raise the real estate transfer tax to the level of other Home Rule Communities. Mr. Palanski added that the referendum will only be to repeal only the restriction on the real estate transfer tax. Carol Swartz also asked how many houses were on the demolition list and Mr. Andrejchak replied 9 houses. Carol Swartz asked if the fire department or Code Office go around deciding which properties will be demolished and Mr. Andrejchak replied yes. Carol Swartz asked if there could be more than 9 houses but Mr. Andrejchak explained that with the CDBG money that would be the whole budget.

Henrietta King asked how the roads get paved especially the freeway and the pothole covers are left up above the road but Mr. Andrejchak explained that Penn DOT paves the freeway and the project is not completed so those will be more level when it is finished.

Ashley Kamovitch from Sharpsville PA passed out information regarding Aqua confirming that hydrofluorosilicic acid is used as the artificial water fluoridation in our community. See attachments

**MR. ANDREJCHAK:**

**MR. CONNELLY:**

**MR. BURKE:**

**MR. JAMES:** Suggested to Ashley Kamovitch to contact 20/20 and maybe they can help.

**REV. TRAMBLEY:** Yard signs on street corners looking like a golf fundraiser and Rev. Trambley asked if there was an Ordinance regarding these types of signs. Mr. Andrejchak replied that he believed there was an Ordinance on placing these signs and would check into it and let Rev. Trambley know.

**MR. PALANSKI:**

<b><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u></b>
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Meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

**Motion: Mr. Connelly**

**Second: Mr. James**

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

**\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Burke**  
**Yes   Mr. Palanski**