

SHARON CITY COUNCIL

Purpose: Regular Council Meeting
Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2016
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Location: Sharon Municipal Building Council Chambers

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

TIME: 6:31 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Council:

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| X President Connelly | X Mr. Lucas |
| X Mr. James | X Mrs. Bundrant |
| X Rev. Trambley | |

News Media:

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| 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 (Lt. Johnson)**
- X Robert Fiscus – Chief of Fire/Code**
- X John Cave - Street Dept.**
- _____Ken Griffith- Finance Director**
- X Janet Thomas- Community Development**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS - ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA:

Virginia Lang from 342 Prospect St. stated that at the February 2, 2016 workshop meeting neighbors came regarding Alderman Avenue becoming one way and were told to come back for the March 18th meeting but were not notified that the meeting was changed to March 23rd so they missed the first reading of the Ordinance. President Connelly informed Ms. Lang that the meeting change was advertised for the public. Ms. Lang was speaking for neighbors that if Alderman Avenue is made one way then more vehicles will utilize the alleys and many residents have young children that play there between the ages of 2 and 11 and the residents feel this will be a safety issue. Mr. Lucas asked Ms. Lang if she had a list of neighbors and more specific location of the alleys in question. Ms. Lang said Mr. and Mrs. Williams came to the workshop meeting and had a petition for

the one way street not being created. Mr. Cave suggested making the alley one way because of the concern and Ms. Lang added that the corner of Liberty and New Castle Avenue is also a concern because Liberty Street is so narrow and vehicles drive very fast up to New Castle Avenue where the store is which is a bad corner for traffic with people parking their vehicles close to the intersection. Mr. Cave said that Chief Smith is checking on adding signs for no parking so many feet from the corner. Mr. Connelly asked Lt. Smith if there are more accidents at this location of Liberty and New Castle Ave. but Lt. Johnson stated that there were not more than any other location in that area. Janet Thomas stated that the original plan was to make Liberty to York Way one way but now it has expanded to 3 blocks. Mr. Connelly asked Mr. Madden if this should be tabled to discuss changes in the Ordinance and Mr. Madden replied yes and the Ordinance would need to start over with another Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES

Public Hearing for Ordinance 01-16, introduced February 18, 2016- SECOND AND FINAL

READING amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sharon to provide that Alderman Avenue shall be one way in a Northerly direction from its intersection with York Way to its intersection with Prindle Street.

ORDINANCES

MOTION that Ordinance #01-16 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 IV, “Traffic Code”, Title Four, “Public Ways”, Chapter 440, “Special Uses of Public Ways”, Section .01 “One Way Streets”, to provide that Alderman Avenue shall be one way in a Northerly direction from its intersection with York Way to its intersection with Prindle Street. **Pass SECOND reading by title.**

**Rev. Trambley commented that if this is tabled it would not make a difference because it has been discussed numerous times already. Mr. Lucas asked where the residents were that are opposed to the one way because they have not been to a meeting but Mr. Lucas suggested making the street a no parking street. Mr. James added that he agrees with Rev. Trambley since Ms. Lang is the only one present with concerns.

Motion (To Table): Mrs. Bundrant

Second (To Table): Mr. Lucas

Vote:
No Mr. James
Yes Mr. Lucas
No Rev. Trambley

Yes Mrs. Bundrant
Yes Mr. Connelly

Tabled 3-2

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION that Resolution #17-16 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing the Proper City Officials to approve a Final Pay Estimate to Central Heating and Plumbing in the amount of \$3,128.50 for work being done at the Shenango Valley Library as part of the Keystone Education Grant. **be adopted.**

Motion: Rev. Trambley

Second: Mrs. Bundrant

Vote: Yes Mrs. Bundrant
Yes Mr. James
Yes Mr. Lucas

Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mr. Connelly

MOTION that Resolution #18-16 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, appointing Molly Bundrant and Robert Fiscus to represent the City of Sharon in the Cooperation agreement previously adopted with the County of Mercer and the Sharon School District. **be adopted**

Motion: Mr. James

Second: Rev. Trambley

Vote: Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mrs. Bundrant
Yes Mr. James

Yes Mr. Lucas
Yes Mr. Connelly

MOTION that Resolution #21-16 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to approve a Pay estimate to GEM Building Cont. & Dev. Inc. in the amount of \$38,742.25 for work being done at the Shenango Valley Library as part of the Keystone Education grant. **be adopted**

**Mr. Andrejchak explained that this pay request was submitted in the Fall but was never processed by HHSDR and payment would not be given until HHSDR approves the payment. Mr. Andrejchak also added that this is not the final payment and Mr. Connelly asked how many more payments which Mr. Andrejchak replied one more for \$7271.00.

Contingent on HHSDR approval:

Motion(Paid with proper approval): Mr. James Second: Rev. Trambley

Vote: Yes Mr. Lucas
Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mrs. Bundrant

Yes Mr. James
Yes Mr. Connelly

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 #19-16 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 #20-16 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing appointments for certain Committees, Boards and Authorities. **be adopted.**

Sharon Fire Pension Fund Commission
Molly Bundrant
Sharon Police Pension Fund Commission
Adam Trambley

MOTION to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2016 Regular Council meeting. **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Lucas

Second: Rev. Trambley

Vote: Yes Mr. James
Yes Mr. Lucas
Yes Rev. Trambley

Yes Mrs. Bundrant
Yes Mr. Connelly

COMMENTS:

NEWS MEDIA:

CITIZENS: Brian Kepple introduced Scott Dubay for the Beautification Commission and asked Council to appoint Mr. Dubay for the Commission at the next Council meeting.

MR. ANDREJCHAK: Waste Removal Ordinance has a lot of meat but it is a draft and Mr. Madden suggested having Council look at the Ordinance again because not all of it may work for Sharon but Mr. Andrejchak hoping to have it ready for April Council meeting. Mr. Trambley asked if Mr. Andrejchak or Mr. Madden had any other suggestions for the Waste Removal Ordinance. Mr. Andrejchak replied that there are no suggestions but needs looked at because of small points throughout. Mr. Andrejchak also wanted everyone to know there was an Economic and Community Development Commission meeting on April 29th at 5:30 p.m.

MRS. BUNDRANT:

MR. LUCAS: Suggested a public talk regarding neighborhoods at the next workshop meeting.

MR. JAMES:

REV. TRAMBLEY: Asked Mr. Lucas if there were specific items for the workshop he would like to discuss and Mr. Lucas replied that some neighborhoods we are fighting a losing battle with walking on the streets, littering and loud music coming from vehicles at all hours. Mr. Lucas added that the City needs to enforce more laws and Rev. Trambley suggested Mr. Lucas creating a list with the issues of concern for Council to review before the workshop meeting. Mr. Connelly suggested giving a list to Mr. Andrejchak as well.

MR. CONNELLY: Mr. Connelly stated that the Finance committee consisted of Mr. James and Mr. Palanski but Council needed to discuss another Council member to replace Mr. Palanski which can be discussed at the workshop. Mr. Andrejchak also added that the Redevelopment Authority currently has Mr. Burke listed as a member who was previously a Council member so Council needs to look at that Authority for a new member if Mr. Burke is resigning. Mr. Connelly asked about the Street Inventory and Mr. Andrejchak said there is another meeting scheduled for April 5th at 11:00 a.m. and they are nearing completion then will have updates for Council. Mr. Connelly also suggested continued discussion of the snow removal at the next workshop meeting.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Lucas

Second: Rev. Trambley

Vote: Yes Mrs. Bundrant

Yes Rev. Trambley

Yes Mr. James

Yes Mr. Connelly

Yes Mr. Lucas