

SHARON CITY COUNCIL

Purpose: Regular Council Meeting
Date: Thursday, May 21, 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:

President Palanski

Mr. Burke

Mr. Connelly

Rev. Trambley

Mr. James

News Media:

Scott Andrejchak – City Manager

The Herald

Attorney Madden – City Solicitor

Lori Merolillo – City Clerk

Dept. Heads:

Gerald T. Smith - Chief of Police

Robert Fiscus – Chief of Fire/Code

John Cave - Street Dept.

Ken Griffith- Finance Director

Janet Thomas- Community Development

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS - ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA:

ORDINANCES

MOTION that Ordinance #04-15 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, creating the Sharon Recreation Commission. **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

Motion: Mr. Burke

Second: Rev. Trambley

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

Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mr. Palanski

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION that Resolution #23-15 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving a 5 year Agility Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Department of Transportation and the City of Sharon. **be adopted**

Motion: Rev. Trambley

Second: Mr. Connelly

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

Yes Mr. Burke
Yes Mr. Palanski

MOTION that Resolution #24-15 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the filing of a proposal for funds for an Accessible Housing Grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 with the Department of Community and Economic Development, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **be adopted**

Motion: Mr. Connelly

Second: Mr. Burke

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

___ Mr. James
Yes Mr. Palanski

MOTION that Resolution #25-15 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the filing of a proposal for an Early Intervention Program Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 with the Department of Community and Economic Development, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **be adopted**

Motion: Rev. Trambley

Second: Mr. Connelly

Vote: **___ Mr. James**
 Yes 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 #26-15 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 April 16, 2015 Regular Meeting, April 16, 2015 Public Hearing and May 7, 2015 Special Meeting. **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Connelly

Second: Rev. Trambley

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

Yes Rev. Trambley
Yes Mr. Palanski

COMMENTS:

NEWS MEDIA:

CITIZENS: George Meszaros of 433 S. Oakland Ave. said he was working with the Department of Corrections after retiring in January 2015 on using inmates for community services. Mr. Meszaros also talked about when he worked at halfway houses and the Police would be called continuously but wanted to say that the Police are underpaid and underappreciated dealing with the problems in the City. Mr. Meszaros suggested to the Police Chief that warnings and citations should be given to people that walk on the streets when sidewalks are available. Mr. Meszaros also spoke about Code issues including his neighbors garage that collapsed and when he called the Code Department and had to leave a message he still hasn't heard back from anyone. Mr. Meszaros said he also called and spoke with Jasmine to leave a message regarding the issue but still did not hear back. On April 28, 2015 Mr. Meszaros received a flyer about Code issues in the City and called the Fire Department after reading the Fire Chief/Code Directors name on flyer and left a message for the Chief of Fire but still did not receive a call back. Mr. Meszaros then called the City Managers Office again and left another message with Robin but not until May 3rd did he receive a call back from the City Building but whoever called never left Mr. Meszaros a message. Mr. Meszaros continued to speak about ways to change the mindset of 12 and 13 yr. olds so we can change the cycle of them becoming criminals. Mr. Palanski suggested Mr. Meszaros meet with the Chief of Police and other agencies in the area and if he comes up with a solution or solid purpose then bring his suggestions back to Council. Mr. Palanski also added that they will look into the phone issue with his messages.

MR. ANDREJCHAK:

MR. CONNELLY:

MR. BURKE: Congratulations to Frank Connelly and Molly Bundrant and complimented Chief Smith and Liuetenant Johnson for a good job on the neighborhood walk around.

MR. JAMES:

REV. TRAMBLEY:

MR. PALANSKI:

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| <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> |
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Meeting adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Connelly

Second: Mr. Palanski

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

Yes Mr. Burke
Yes Mr. Palanski