

**BUREAU OF COUNCIL**  
Molly Bundrant, President  
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David Koerth  
Taylor Galaska  
Sonja M. Heard



**Robert Fiscus, City Manager**  
**Brett Stedman, City Solicitor**  
**Daphne Parrish, City Clerk**

**SHARON CITY COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Council Chambers  
Wednesday, April 3, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER AT 5:56 PM**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL**

**Council:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>President Bundrant</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mr. Galaska</b>          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mr. Sizer</b>          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms. Heard (by phone)</b> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mr. Koerth</b>         |   |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Robert Fiscus, City Manager</b>            | <b><u>News Media:</u></b>                              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Attorney Brett Stedman, City Solicitor</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>The Herald-</b> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Daphne Parrish, City Clerk</b>             |  |

**Department Heads:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Jason Tomko, Finance Director</b>             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Edward Stabile, Chief of Police</b>                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>David Tomko, Director of Code Enforcement</b> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mark Settle, Public Works Director</b>        |

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

No questions or comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES**

**Public Hearing for Ordinance #01-24, introduced March 20, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING,** Amending Chapter 464 of the Sharon Code of Ordinances regarding commercial and heavy trucks

**Public Hearing for Ordinance #02-24, introduced March 20, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING,** repealing Chapter 829 in its entirety and replacing with the Ordinance entitled “Non-Owner-Occupied Property Licensing Fee”

**Public Hearing for Ordinance #03-24, introduced March 20, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING,** providing for the fee for appeals to the Sharon Code Appeals Board

No questions or comments.

**ORDINANCES**

**MOTION** that Ordinance #01-24 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 464 of the Sharon Code of Ordinances regarding commercial and heavy trucks, clarifying the roads which shall be subject to a weight limit of five tons; providing for an updated fee for an oversized vehicle permit; and updating and modernizing the fines for violation of the Chapter” **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion:** Mr. Sizer

**Second:** Mr. Koerth

**Vote:** YES Ms. Heard

YES Mr. Galaska

YES Mr. Koerth

YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Sizer

**MOTION** that Ordinance #02-24 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, requiring any owner, agent, lessor, landlord or other person who rents, leases, sublets, assigns a lease or lets space be occupied by another or others as a dwelling or dwelling unit to first apply for a license to use the property for such purpose; further requiring that such person first apply for a license with the proper official of the City of Sharon, requiring that Non-Owner Occupied Properties (NOOP) receive orderly inspections to protect the health, safety and welfare of persons in the City of Sharon; providing for the reporting of all such properties and their occupants; and further providing for the issuance of policies related to the regulatory structure” **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion:** Mrs. Bundrant  
**Vote:** YES Mr. Galaska  
YES Ms. Heard  
YES Mr. Koerth

**Second:** Mr. Sizer  
YES Mr. Sizer  
YES Mrs. Bundrant

**MOTION** that Ordinance #03-24 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 209 of the Sharon Code of Ordinances to clarify and provide for the fee for appeals to the Sharon Code Appeals Board” **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

**Motion:** Mr. Sizer  
**Vote:** YES Mr. Sizer  
YES Mr. Galaska  
YES Ms. Heard

**Second:** Mr. Koerth  
YES Mr. Koerth  
YES Mrs. Bundrant

## RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION** that Resolution #29-24 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing utilizing American Rescue Plan Act funds to award two (2) Sharon Revitalization and Investment Grants; total amount of awards not to exceed \$220,000” **be adopted.**

**Motion:** Mr. Koerth  
**Vote:** YES Mr. Koerth  
YES Mr. Sizer  
YES Mr. Galaska

**Second:** Mr. Sizer  
YES Ms. Heard  
YES Mrs. Bundrant

## COMMENTS

### **CITY MANAGER:**

Mr. Fiscus said the City lost a Street Department employee last week, Austin Kirk. Austin will be greatly missed. He touched a lot of people throughout the City, including his co-workers, employees in the City Building, and the citizens. It is a great loss, a lot of people are grieving, and we recognize all his great accomplishments. Austin was a huge part of the transition in the Street Department. Mrs. Bundrant thanked Mr. Fiscus for the flag raised in Austin’s memory as well as the social media posts.

**NEWS MEDIA:** None.

**MR. SIZER:** None.

**MR. KOERTH:** None.

**MR. GALASKA:** None.

**MS. HEARD:** None.

**MRS. BUNDRANT:** None.

### **CITIZENS**

Cathy Testani, 417 Wilson Street; Ms. Testani said Jarrett Whalen was made to fix the roof on his house on Wilson Street; the workers showed up three weeks ago and threw everything in the front yard and left it there. The roof on the front porch is fixed but not sure what else was fixed. Other neighbors are complaining about people coming in and out of there.

Sometimes the lights are on, sometimes the windows are open and there are six to seven people at a time going in there. Mrs. Bundrant asked if the police were being called when this happened.

Ms. Testani said the one house in the alley owned by him was purchased in 2021 and nothing is being done to bring it up to code.

Ms. Testani asked if everyone in the City is required to have trash service. Someone moved in across the street and had no containers and no stickers and the trash was picked up by Tri-County. Mr. Fiscus said everyone in the City is required to have trash service and the Code Department is actively enforcing this. Mr. Fiscus said they could be paying for service even though the totes have not yet been delivered. The drivers have I-Pads in their trucks to indicate whether or not totes are to be picked up. Mr. Fiscus said when these things are seen on a daily basis to please report it to the Code Department.

Gary Byers, 1288 Griswold Street; Mr. Byers said he had a small safety concern at the hillside across from the Speedway. There have been 5-6 cones in place there for a number of weeks. There is a lot of water and dirt. Mr. Fiscus said the City is actively working on this issue. There is a catch basin that needs to be replaced at the corner of Walnut and Prindle Street and we are receiving quotes to get it fixed. He has consulted with the Public Works Director and the Sanitary Authority, and the source of the water is not yet known.

Mr. Byers said there is a log close to the roadway on the Freeway between Stambaugh Avenue and the viaduct. The log is about six feet long and could be a problem if it were rolled out onto the roadway. Mr. Sizer asked which side of the roadway it is located. Suzanne Kepple said it is the westbound side.

Jeff Feola of the Sharon Community Development Corporation introduced himself as one of the first two employees hired to work alongside the City to help drive Community and Economic Development. He said they are making their way up and down main street, getting to know the businesses and meeting with Bob Fiscus on a weekly basis. There was a recent board meeting and they have begun to think of events and ways to increase foot traffic and improve the quality of life in the City of Sharon. Mrs. Bundrant thanked him.

<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>
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**Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM**