BUREAU OF COUNCIL Molly Bundrant, President Carl Sizer, Vice President David Koerth Taylor Galaska Sonja M. Heard



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

SHARON CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers Wednesday, June 5, 2024 Immediately Following Workshop Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AT 6:26 PM
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Council:

✓ President Bundrant

✓ Mr. Sizer

✓ Mr. Koerth

✓ Mr. Galaska ✓ Ms. Heard

✓ Robert Fiscus, City Manager - Excused

✓ Attorney Brett Stedman, City Solicitor

News Media:

✓ The Herald

✓ Daphne Parrish, City Clerk

Department Heads:

- **✓** Jason Tomko, Finance Director
- **✓** Edward Stabile, Chief of Police
- ✓ John Lenkey, Director of Code Enforcement
- ✓ Mark Settle, Public Works Director

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Fiscus requested an Executive Session following the end of the meeting to discuss possible litigation and an employment issue.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

No comments or questions on agenda items.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES

<u>Public Hearing for Ordinance #05-24, introduced April 17, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING</u>, amending portions of the Sharon Code of Ordinances related to Zoning and in accord with the Federal Fair Housing Act

<u>Public Hearing for Ordinance #06-24, introduced May 15, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING,</u> authorizing an agreement with the Commonwealth of PA, Department of Transportation to obtain Rights of Way for completion of the East State Street Multimodal Project

<u>Public Hearing for Ordinance #07-24, introduced May 15, 2024 – SECOND AND FINAL READING,</u> adopting an official Street Map for the City

No comments or questions on Public Hearing for Ordinances.

ORDINANCES

<u>MOTION</u> that Ordinance #05-24 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code, amending portions of Part 12, Title 4 of the Sharon Code of Ordinances, related to zoning, also known as the "Sharon Zoning Ordinance"; amending Section 309.16 to clarify certain protected group home uses shall be considered as single family dwellings under the Ordinance in accord with the Federal Fair Housing Act; and to amend Table 306.10 to note that the single family" <u>Pass FINAL reading by title.</u>

Motion:Mr. KoerthSecond:Mr. SizerVote:YES Mr. SizerYES Mr. KoerthYES Mr. GalaskaYES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Ms. Heard

<u>MOTION</u> that Ordinance #06-24 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing an agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, for the Department to obtain Rights of Way on the City's behalf in completion of the East State Street Multimodal sidewalk and curb replacement project" **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

Motion:Mr. SizerSecond:Ms. HeardVote:YES Mr. KoerthYES Ms. HeardYES Mr. SizerYES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Galaska

<u>MOTION</u> that Ordinance #07-24 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, adopting an official Street Map for the City" <u>Pass FINAL reading by title.</u>

Motion:Mr. SizerSecond:Ms. HeardVote:YESMs. HeardYESMr. GalaskaYESMr. KoerthYESMrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Sizer

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION that Resolution #47-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing an agreement with Wilmington Trust, National Association, to perform custodial services for the City of Sharon Fire and Police Pension Funds" **be adopted**.

Motion:Mr. KoerthSecond:Mr. SizerVote:YESMr. GalaskaYESMr. Sizer

YES Ms. Heard YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Koerth

MOTION that Resolution #48-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, approving the City of Sharon Comprehensive Blight Strategy Plan as updated June 5, 2024" **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Sizer Second: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Mr. Sizer YES Mr. Koerth
YES Mr. Galaska YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Ms. Heard

<u>MOTION</u> that Resolution #49-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing utilizing ARPA Funds for the City of Sharon MS4 Storm Sewer Collection System Mapping Project with the WallacePancher Group; amount not to exceed \$81,100" <u>be adopted.</u>

Motion: Mr. Koerth Second: Mr. Sizer
Vote: YES Mr. Koerth YES Ms. Heard

YES Mr. Sizer YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Galaska

<u>MOTION</u> that Resolution #52-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, allowing alcoholic beverages on designated City property: Shenango Street from East State Street to the point currently or formerly known as Pitt Street, and west to the Shenango River, for the 2024 Rockin' on the River Summer Concert Series" <u>be adopted.</u>

Motion: Mr. Sizer Second: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Ms. Heard YES Mr. Koerth
YES Mr. Koerth YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Mr. Sizer

<u>MOTION</u> that Resolution #53-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing utilizing American Rescue Plan Act funds to award one (1) Sharon Revitalization and Investment Grant; total amount of award not to exceed \$17,500" be adopted.

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

YES Mr. Koerth

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 CITIZEN WISHING CLARIFICATION OF AN ITEM MAY ASK A QUESTION BY RAISING THEIR HAND AND IDENTIFYING THE ITEM BEFORE ADOPTION OF THE ITEM.

<u>MOTION</u> that Resolution #51-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing, in accordance with Section 915 of the Home Rule Charter, The City Manager and Financial Officer to pay bills on attached Schedule "A" <u>be adopted</u>.

<u>MOTION</u> that Resolution #50-24 entitled "A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing appointments for certain Committees, Boards and Commissions" <u>be adopted</u>.

- Shenango Valley Enterprise Zone Corporation
 - o David Grande Reappointment

MOTION approving minutes from May 8, 2024, Special Council Meeting and the May 15, 2024, Council Meeting, **be adopted**.

Motion: Mr. Sizer Second: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Mr. Sizer YES Mr. Koerth
YES Mr. Galaska YES Mrs. Bundrant

YES Ms. Heard

COMMENTS

CITY MANAGER: Mr. Fiscus congratulated and welcomed Mrs.Schliep; we look forward to seeing your business in Sharon. Mr. Fiscus recognized all the employees who worked on the City map project. This was a big undertaking; for the past 23 years that he has worked here, we have worked with an obsolete map. Seeing a new map shows this is the Sharon of the future and we are not doing it like we did in the past.

NEWS MEDIA: None.

MR. SIZER: Mr. Sizer thanked Mr. Arrowood for coming to the meeting. Mr. Arrowood said it is his pleasure; he works with cities all across the Commonwealth and it is rare to find one that has the kind of relationship the CDC has developed with Council. There are a lot of Main Streets trying to do their thing and are at odds with a lot of folks. As you complete the comprehensive plan, their strategy will complement City's.

MR. KOERTH: Mr. Koerth thanked Mr. Sizer for doing a fantastic job as speaker at the Memorial Day service.

MR. GALASKA: None.

MS. HEARD: None.

MRS. BUNDRANT: Mrs. Bundrant said she attended the Austin Kirk Fundraiser. There was an overwhelming feeling of love and pride for the community. She thanked everyone who put into the event. Ms. Heard said there were well over 1000 people who attended.

STORMWATER (MS4) DISCHARGE COMMENTS:

CITIZENS:

Ben Griffin, 528 Dwyer Way; Mr. Griffin asked if there will be any streets paved this year. Mr. Fiscus said there is nothing scheduled as of now. Mr. Griffin said there is money to tear up a parking lot, but not money to pave the streets. Mr. Fiscus said there is grant money very specific to the parking lot project and location. As for paving streets, paving projects are put together and then we work on obtaining funding. Mr. Griffin asked about using ARPA money to pave streets; other communities are doing so. Mrs. Bundrant said an inventory will be shared at a future meeting; however, nothing is scheduled as of right now.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM