

WILKINSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Administrative Work Session
April 19, 2017
Minutes

Call to Order

President Shattuck called the meeting to order at approximately 7:02 P.M. in Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building, 605 Ross Avenue, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221.

Roll Call

The roll was called to establish a quorum. Present were Mr. Diamond, Ms. Garrett, Mr. Lefebvre, Ms. Macklin, Ms. McCarthy-Johnson, Mr. Rose, Mr. Taiani, Ms. Trice, President Shattuck, Mayor John Thompson, and Amanda J. Ford – Assistant Borough Manager. Absent was Donn Henderson – Borough Manager A quorum was established.

Pledge of Allegiance

Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Shattuck, a moment of silence was observed in remembrance of victims of violent crimes.

Presentation

1. Tracey Evans – WCDC Update
 - a. Plans to update business district branding.
 - b. “Good All Over” Street banners to go up by the end of May.
 - c. 2-Way Street Festival to be held on May 20th.
 - d. Economic development workshops are going on.
 - e. New-hire Joshua Rolon, Main Street Manager.
 - f. Train-station project is making great progress. Renovations will begin soon.
 - g. The Green, Clean, and Safe initiative for infrastructure improvements is progressing well.
 - h. Working with Stormworks to maintain tree pits, install planters, bike racks, etc...
 - i. National Main Street conference will be at the beginning of May and they will be touring through Wilkinsburg.
 - j. Housing and Vacant Property inquiries will be handled by new hire, Kevin Boyle-Vacant property coordinator.
 - k. Fund development & Capacity building will be handled by new hire, Sophia Young.
 - l. Youth initiative mini-grant applications are being accepted for this year.

Public Comment

1. N/A

Agenda Items

1. Accepting the resignation of Bradley Minnigh effective April 22, 2017

Motion: Mr. Lefebvre

Second: Ms. Trice

A vote 9 – 0; Motion carried.

2. Approving Cargill, Inc. rock salt contractual agreement for a second option year.

Motion: Mr. Lefebvre

Second: Ms. McCarthy-Johnson

A vote 9 – 0; Motion carried.

3. **Resolution No. 17-030** – Appointing Andrea Haynes – Wilkinsburg Arts Commission
 - a. As Landscape Architect

Motion: Mr. Lefebvre

Second: Vice-president Garrett

A vote 9 – 0; Motion carried.

4. **Resolution No. 17-032** – Appointing Michael McMullen – Parks and Recreation Committee
 - a. Resident of Peebles Street in Wilkinsburg.
 - b. Nearby the old Rosa Parks Playground space.

Motion: Ms. Macklin

Second: Mr. Lefebvre

A vote 9 – 0; Motion carried.

Public Comment

1. Kate Luxemburg – 432 Rebecca Avenue
 - a. Wants to get the entire list of tax delinquent properties posted on the borough website.
 - b. Wants to know a better method of talking to people before meetings commence.
 - c. Would like to be added to the agenda for a future meeting.

Old Business

1. N/A

New Business

1. Mr. Diamond advises that the Springfest event will be on Saturday, April 22nd from 1PM-5PM at the Hosanna House.
2. Ms. Macklin advises that Senator Costa will be having an event at the Hosanna House soon, more information to come.
3. President Shattuck advises that the demolition event schedule to occur for Local Government Week will not happen since the county has not approved the contractor just yet.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Michael Lefebvre
Council Pro-Tempore