

1HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, May 10, 2016
A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and 6 members were present during roll call, namely: Ben Allatt, Jeff Baltimore, Shamaine Daniels, Cornelius Johnson, Westburn Majors and Wanda R. D. Williams. Destini Hodges was absent (Excused).

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

- The Moment of Silence was led by Mr. Baltimore.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Majors.

COMMUNICATIONS

- There was none.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Jean Greco asked about the status of the 30 day report that was supposed to be presented by the Administration regarding the audit that was done by the Controller.
- Daniel Graham said that on 2nd & Walnut and 2nd & Forster Street(s) cars are turning on red and he asked if the city could ban the turns on a red light because it's dangerous. He said that he has seen incidents where cars turn while pedestrians are trying to walk and they almost get hit. He said something needs to be done for pedestrian safety. He suggested for people to ride on buses and trains to avoid all of the car traffic.
- Bill Cluck said that he needs to correct the record as to his professional reputation. He said he was unable to be at the last Legislative Session because he had a CRW meeting. He said that he has been an advocate for minority contracting his entire time on the board. Additionally, he thanked City Council for their support for the summer jobs programs that he initiated to help employ teenagers in the city. In addition, they approved the \$10 Million Dollar conservation easement by not giving away the land around the Dehart Dam. He and Mr. Majors helped prevent the sale of some of that land to the game commission and that was the difference between being on the board rather than in the audience. He said that he reviewed the last Council Meeting and he was disappointed at the personal attacks to his reputation. He said they were unprofessional slanders and false. He said there was criticism of his role of serving on two boards and has since resigned from the EAC board. He said he doesn't understand how the Mayor's Senior Advisor was so emotional with his statement and doesn't understand what he has against him, but it appears personal. He is most surprised with the failure of the Mayor to comment, one way or another. He is silent with the dysfunction of the EAC and he criticized council, but it's a lack of courage when failing to comment when you see wrong and fail to correct it. CRW received a bond rating of A+ and it's an incredible achievement. Two days after that rating, did we hear from anyone? Instead he got an e-mail that his CEO needs "new blood" and the CEO said she never said that.

He said, you know about the forensic investigation, testimony before senate, which led to the grand jury investigation and a possible civil lawsuit against those responsible for the incinerator debt. Also, he noted that the strong plan had the net proceeds (of settlements) going to Impact Harrisburg, but the strong plan is now amended because of his recommendation. The question is, do you want a board who is a rubber stamp, like the Steve Reed era or do you want someone who reads and asks the tough questions? The Mayor has the power of appointment, it is your consent and I asked you (City Council) exercise that consent and retain me on the board.

- Les Ford – Thanked Bill Cluck for his service.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon Motion by Ms. Williams, with no objections, the Legislative Session Minutes of April 27, 2016.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Chair Majors reported on the Public Works Committee Meeting of Wednesday, May 4, 2016.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- There was none.

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There was none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- **The City Clerk read Bill 10-2016 into record** – An Ordinance vacating and striking from the Official Map of the City of Harrisburg a portion of Glen Alley (between Yates Alley and Guy Alley) pursuant to Chapter 3-109 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Bill 11-2016 into record** – An Ordinance vacating and striking from the Official Map of the City of Harrisburg a portion of Guy Alley (between Hudson Street and South 20th Street) pursuant to Chapter 3-109 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 21-2016 into record** – A Resolution approving Professional Roof Services, Inc. ("PRSI") to perform specification design for roof replacement at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Building, 10 N. 2nd Street and Fire Station No. 2, 140 N. 16th Street ("Roof Replacement Projects").
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 30-2016 into record** - A Resolution appointing Ms. Charla J. Plaines to serve on the Capital Region Water, a municipal authority, Board of Directors (the "CRW Board").
- President Williams called for the vote and this failed 3-3, with Mr. Allatt, Ms. Daniels and Mr. Majors voting in the negative.

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 32-2016 into record** – A Resolution approving the City of Harrisburg’s acceptance of a right-of-way dedication offered for the purposes of widening a portion of Cona Street (between Yates Alley and Manada Street) pursuant to Chapter 7-515 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 34-2016 into record-** A Resolution ratifying a Master Electric Energy Sales Agreement with GDF Suez Energy Resources NA, Inc. to provide electricity for certain City utility accounts.
- President Williams placed this in the Building & Housing Committee.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 35-2016 into record** – A Resolution ratifying the motion to appoint Brian Enterline, Chief of the Fire Bureau, as the agent for the City of Harrisburg to execute all necessary documents on behalf of the City of Harrisburg for purposes of obtaining disaster relief assistance in connection with the severe winter snowstorm that hit the City of Harrisburg on January 22, 2016 to January 23, 2016.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 5-0, Mr. Majors recused himself due to a conflict of interest with his employer.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 36-2016 into record** - A Resolution ratifying the submission of a "Trees for Tomorrow" grant application to the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay on behalf of the Department of Public Works for the purpose of funding tree maintenance for the City's parks and playgrounds.
- President Williams placed this in the Parks, Recreation & Enrichment Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Allatt announced that he will be having a Budget & Finance Committee Meeting on May 11th at 5:30PM.
- Mr. Johnson announced that he will be having a Public Safety Committee Meeting on May 18th at 5:30PM and May 25th at 6PM.
- Ms. Daniels announced that she will be having a Building & Housing Committee Meeting on May 26th at 5:30PM.
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ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:48PM.