

HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
January 14, 2014
A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by President Williams at 6:00PM.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and all 7 members were present, namely: Ben Allatt, Shamaine Daniels, Brad Koplinski, Sandra Reid, Eugenia Smith, Susan Brown-Wilson and Wanda R. D. Williams.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Allatt.

PRESENTATION OF THE REOPENED 2014 BUDGET - Mayor Eric Papenfuse

- Mayor Papenfuse gave a presentation of the Reopened 2014 Proposed Budget and explained his differences from the approved 2014 Budget.

COMMUNICATIONS

- There were none.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Daniel Haubert said that he was concerned with the increase in parking rates and the number of residential parking spots available in his neighborhood.
- Lionel Gonzalez welcomed new council members and offered volunteer help for the city if any is needed.
- Pat Stringer welcomed the new council members and suggested that council create a communication/technology committee. In addition, she asked to have more recognition and memorials for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in City Hall Atrium.
- Mr. Boyd asked for more of a police presence on Allison Hill. He also expressed his frustration of being banned from the Broad Street Market. Finally, he said that he looks forward to working with the new Mayor because he will do the right thing.
- Khaldun Rasheed welcomed the new Council Members. In addition, he asked for assistance with reviewing the status of the substance abuse center proposed before City Council by Pastor A.J. Briley.
- Christopher McGraw said that there is a drag racing problem in his neighborhood and would like the police to look into it. He requested speed bumps to be installed at Swatara & Crescent Street(s) for the safety of the residents.
- Tim Doutrich asked City Council and the Mayor for open communication and alliance with the citizens of Harrisburg for the best interest of the people.
- Melvin Johnson said that he is looking forward to helping the citizens of Harrisburg with his services and looks forward for future community development.
- Nevin Mindlin said that the Budget is a statement of priorities and we have a couple of years to get it right. He said that the city cannot increase taxes. Finally, he said that the

city should focus on five basic things: public safety, codes and blight, streets and infrastructure and the city's comprehensive plan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon motion of President Williams and unopposed, the Legislative Session Minutes of December 17, 2013 were deemed approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- There were none

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- **The City Clerk read Bill 1-2014 into record** - An Ordinance establishing the budget for the Municipal Government of the City of Harrisburg for the year Two Thousand Fourteen (2014).
- President Williams placed this in the Budget & Finance Committee.
- **The City Clerk read Bill 2-2014 into record** - An Ordinance amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg, Title V, Licensing and Taxation, Part V, Real Estate Taxes, Chapter 5-501, Property Tax, by establishing for the year Two Thousand Fourteen (2014) a tax levy on land and improvements and providing for the distribution of taxes levied and assessed and providing for a tax rebate for the difference between the tax due and attributable to the year Two Thousand Fourteen (2014) tax levy over the tax due and attributable to the year Two Thousand Six (2006) tax levy for qualifying senior citizens.
- President Williams placed this in the Budget & Finance Committee.

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- There were none.

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 1-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Lenora M. Smith to serve on the Board of the Capital Area Transit Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 2-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Kathy Possinger to serve on the Board of the Capital Area Transit Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Allatt announced that he will be having Budget & Finance Committee meetings on January 30th and February 5th at 5:30PM to review the reopened proposed 2014 budget.
- Ms. Smith announced that ABC 27 will be having a community forum on February 26th.
- Ms. Williams announced that City Council will be having an Executive Session following the meeting in City Council's conference room.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.