

HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
April 22, 2014
A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by President Williams at 6:05PM.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and 6 members were present, namely: Ben Allatt, Shamaine Daniels, Brad Koplinski, Sandra Reid, Susan Brown-Wilson and Wanda R. D. Williams.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

- The Moment of Silence was led by Ms. Williams.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS

- There were none.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Cole Goodman said that the Dauphin County young Democrats will be having cookout in the near future and he will be bringing more information at the next meeting about them.
- Allan Kennedy-Shaffer invited the public to attend Harrisburg Hope's first debate on May 14th at the Midtown Scholar between State Representative Patty Kim & challenger Gina Johnson-Roberson.
- Ron Chapel sent his condolences to the family & councilmembers for the passing of Councilwoman Eugenia Smith.
- Linda Murphy sent his condolences to councilmembers for Ms. Eugenia Smith. She then spoke in support of Resolution 40-2014. She said that all of the children in the neighborhood are aware of it and looking forward to the updates to the playground. She asked for City Council's approval.
- Mr. Boyd said God Bless Councilwoman Smith. He said she is watching what Councilmembers are doing. He asked, why the city continues to spend money on non-profits that lie. He said that we need to stop bringing in people who are not from our city to run this city and we must look within.
- Pat Stringer expressed her condolences for the loss of Ms. Smith. She said that she always considered her the prettiest girl in Harrisburg. She also announced various programs and events that are going on within the School District and said that they are certainly on the move and need to be recognized.
- Les Ford said that he received a takeaway from Ms. Smith's funeral service. He said that no one knows the day or hour, but it's coming. He said that is why it is important that we build bridges in the city. He said in Ms. Smith's honor and for the best interest of the citizens, City Council needs to move forward legislation out of committee in a timely fashion for vote.
- Sheila Dow-Ford offered her condolences for the loss of Ms. Smith, who she was close

with. She said that just as Mr. Ford said about City Council; it should apply to the Administration as well. She said that the Mayor needs to learn how to extend the olive branch to City Council to develop better communication.

- Lewis Butts said that Ms. Smith was a fantastic Woman. He said today is earth day and the city needs to educate our children about the environment and get more involved within the different neighborhoods throughout the city.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon motion by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Allatt, the Legislative Session Minutes of April 9, 2014 were deemed approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- Mr. Allatt moved, seconded by Ms. Wilson to move Bill 5-2014 from the floor for vote.
- **The City Clerk read Bill 5-2014 into record** – An Ordinance striking Chapter 2-711, as amended, entitled “Residency,” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg and repealing Ordinance No. 20 of 2002.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 5-1, with Ms. Reid voting in the negative.

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 40-2014 into record** – A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to apply for grant funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$47,000.00 to be used for renovation the 4th and Emerald Playground.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 46-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. April Rucker to serve on the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board.
- President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 47-2014 into record** – A Resolution re-appointing Ms. Emily Leader to the Harrisburg Housing Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 48-2014 into record** – A Resolution re-appointing Ms. Maria Solomon to the Harrisburg Housing Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 49-2014 into record** – A Resolution approving the First Proposed Reallocations to the approved 2014 Amended Budget.
- President Williams placed this in the Budget & Finance Committee.
- Mr. Allatt moved, seconded by Ms. Wilson to bring Resolution 36-2014 from the floor for vote.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 36-2014 into record** – A Resolution of the Council of the City of Harrisburg ratifying the Second Amendment to the Basic Labor Agreement

- between the City of Harrisburg and the Local Union No. 428, International Association of Firefighters (“IAFF”).
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Reid expressed her concerns about the trash situation throughout the city. She said that she will be having a series of press conferences in the near future to announce some of her new programs.
- Mr. Allatt announced that he will be having a Budget & Finance Committee meeting on May 7th at 5:30PM.
- Ms. Reid announced that she will be having a Public Works Committee on April 23rd at 5:30PM.
- Mr. Koplinski announced the new parking plans that are available for individuals that work downtown outside of normal business hours.
- Ms. Williams read a letter of support from the city of Reading. In addition, she announced that there will be a Public Meeting to interview City Council Candidates on May 8th at 5:30PM and to vote at the Special Legislative Session scheduled for May 12th at 5:30PM.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:45PM.