

**HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES**

June 10, 2014

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by President Williams at 6:08PM.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and all 7 members were present, namely: Ben Allatt, Jeff Baltimore, 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 Mr. Allatt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS

- There were none.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Mr. Boyd said that the citizens are still waiting on something to be done on 14th Street and it's a disgrace. In addition, he said with regards to Resolution 62, things that are historic should remain that way.
- Ronald Johnson said that his neighborhood watch group have been having problems with properties 1839 & 1841 Market Street properties and asked the city to look into them. He said as a community leader he is responsible to speak up on behalf of his neighborhood.
- Pat Stringer invited the public to attend the Harrisburg Strong Task Force meeting on June 19th. In addition, she provided a number (888-510-0606) for residents to look into purchasing sink hole insurance.
- Rhoda Howard thanked Mr. Knight & Mrs. Parker for denying the rehabbed properties in her Neighborhood that was intended to be rooming houses for sex-offenders.
- Daniel D. Graham said that he was pleased to see the changes for the pedestrian walk way time change downtown that gives pedestrians more time to cross the street. In addition, he said he was pleased to see trucks cleaning storm drains at Market Square.
- David Morrison asked that City Council approve Resolution 62-2014 in support of HARB's decision. He said that the applicants didn't follow proper procedure and it's not fair to everyone else who does.
- Earl Harris asked City Council to initiate legislation to support a few House Bills in raising the state minimum wage and to help public sector unions. In addition, he asked city council to look into what "overcharging" laws are within the state and to keep them into consideration.
- Jonathan Campbell said that as a resident of Midtown, he would like to see City Council approve Resolution 62-2014. He said that it's important that we treat every resident fairly when it comes to the building permit/historic district process.
- Robert Speese said that he has been to the property on 1725 Susquehanna Street and it appears to be in good shape. He said that the garage to the left of the property has no roof and 1723 is in bad shape as well. He said that it is a shame that they didn't get the proper permits in time because the house looks good.

- Robert Candidate said the on behalf of the Dauphin County Faith-Based Coalition he would like to invite vets and any other people who would like to train and mentor people for the summer. He said that he can be reached at 717-877-9943 if anyone is interested.
- Les Ford said that he originally didn't have a problem with the property located at 1725 Susquehanna Street. But, after personally visiting the property he realized that it was "Shoddy" workmanship and City Council should deny the applicants of their request. (He passed around pictures to City Council)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon motion by President Williams, seconded by Ms. Reid, the Legislative Session Minutes of May 27, 2014 were deemed approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Chair Williams reported on the Administration Committee Meeting of June 3, 2014.
- Chair Reid reported on the Public Works Committee Meeting of June 4, 2014.
- Chair Daniels reported on the Building & Housing Committee Meeting of June 5, 2014.
- Chair Koplinski reported on the Community & Economic Development Committee of June 5, 2014.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

-There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

-There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

-There were none.

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 23-2014 into record** – A Resolution recommending the appointment of Mr. Geoffrey Knight to serve on the City of Harrisburg Plan-development Section of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC).
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 28-2014 into record** - A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. JamesEtta E. Reed to serve on the Harrisburg Planning Commission.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 29-2014 into record** - A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Anne Marek to serve on the Harrisburg Planning Commission.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 34-2014 into record** - A Resolution appointing Mr. Geoffrey Knight to serve as an alternate member on the Coordinating Committee and the Technical Committee of the Harrisburg Area Transportation Study (HATS).
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 42-2014 into record**– A Resolution appointing Mr. Lavelle Muhammad to the Harrisburg Housing Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 43-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Mattie Watson to the Harrisburg Housing Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 44-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Taneisha Williams to the Harrisburg Housing Authority.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 45-2014 into record** – A Resolution approving certain Proposed 2014 Budget Reallocations to include: creating a new position under the Department of Public Works entitled “Solid Waste & Recycling Manager” and transferring fund accordingly.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **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 called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 51-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Mr. Thomas Leonard to serve on the Zoning Hearing Board of the City of Harrisburg.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 54-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Camille Erice to serve on the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board for a term expiring September 24, 2017.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 55-2014 into record** – A Resolution appointing Ms. Camille Bennett to serve on the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board for a term expiring September 24, 2017.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 59-2014 into record**– A Resolution to approve the disbursement of funds in the amount of \$10,000 from the City of Harrisburg Act 101 Host Municipality Fee Fund to the Greenbelt for matching funds for a grant to support a storm water project.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passé 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 62 (A)-2014 into record** - A resolution to accept the recommendation of the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board to deny an after-the-fact application of Chris Roma and Miro Gojmerac for the issuance of a certificate of appropriateness for certain renovations to a residential property located with a historic district at 1725 Susquehanna Street.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 63-2014 into record** - A resolution appointing Trina Gribble to serve on the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board for a term expiring September 24, 2017.
- President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

- Ms. Reid thanked everyone for their participation with the trash can distribution. In addition, she said that the city isn't currently giving away anymore trash cans, with the exception of elderly individuals who were unable to attend on Saturday. She said the event received a lot of positive feedback and again thanked the contributors who donated and made it all possible.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Daniels announced that she will be having two B&H committee meetings on June 25th at the Camp Curtin YMCA and June 26th at the Boys & Girls Club. Both meetings are at 5:30PM.
- Mr. Allatt announced that he will be having a Budget & Finance Committee meeting on June 23rd at 5:30PM.
- President Williams invited the City Engineer to give an update on the city's geological study.
- City Engineer, Wayne Martin updated City Council on the status of the geological study. He indicated that task one (14th Street only) would cost approximately \$38,000. They intend to do a 17 week study and the initial task will determine what else needs to be done moving forward.

- Ms. Williams asked if the study will determine the fault.
- Wayne Martin said that they will definitely have an answer as to what the cause was after task one.
- Ms. Reid asked when the completion of task one will be.
- Wayne Martin said 5 weeks from date of signage.

ADJOURNMENT

■ The meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM.