

HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, October 10, 2017
A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:06PM.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and 6 members were present during roll call, namely: Ben Allatt, Shamaine Daniels, Cornelius Johnson, David Madsen, Westburn Majors and Wanda R. D. Williams.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS

- President Williams announced that City Council has made a decision to appoint Ausha Green to fill the vacancy due to the departure of Councilwoman Destini Hodges.
- Senghor Manns and Clarence Watson gave City Council a Presentation on the Harrisburg Housing Authority's Summer Youth Program

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Lewis Butts said that the Harrisburg Housing Authority did a fantastic job. He said he has been having problems with (CRW) water bills and asked City Council to look into it. He said Harrisburg High School's Football team scored 82 points and they need to be commended. He said there are two state all-star players that we should bring in and acknowledge them.
- Linda Camac said she wanted to come before City Council again to discuss the proposed drug & alcohol rehab center that sits beside her. She was invited to attend a hearing with regards to this house, but no one attended the hearing except for Mr. Farrell and her. She said they were given a week to close the property down, but apparently there is a proposed business plan that is being introduced. She said on Saturday morning she had to call the police over the weekend due to foul language and loud noise. She said neighbors do not want this in their neighborhood and she asked for help.
- Laura Harding said there is a problem with off the leash dogs. She said her dog has recently been attacked and she can no longer walk her dog on the riverfront, around William Penn or Italian Lake. She said she has been taking her dog to the State Hospital Grounds and her dog was attacked there. She said she has two service dogs and when they are attacked, they can be ruined. She asked City Council to take this matter seriously.
- Dave Shuman said that a few months ago he shared that he bought motion sensor lights, but it turns out the batteries ran out, so he returned them all. He said that when he was away for vacation someone stole his bicycles and some other miscellaneous stuff. He said there are a bunch of kids on bikes (ages 9-15) that are vandalizing and stealing in the neighborhood. He said some of the kids were seen and the parents were confronted, but there is no supervision. He said we need to start having some meetings in Midtown to develop a crime watch to do something about this. He said next week he will be sharing something new that he is trying to create.
- Olivia Peck said this past Sunday someone fired a shot in front of her house. She said her neighborhood (Swatara to Berryhill) is too dark. She asked if there were any plans to put additional lighting around her neighborhood.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon Motion by President Williams, with no objections, the Legislative Session Minutes of September 12, 2017 were deemed approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Chair Johnson reported on the Work Session of October 3, 2017.
- Chair Madsen reported on the Work Session of October 3, 2017.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- **The City Clerk read Bill 12-2017 into record** – An Ordinance amending the City of Harrisburg’s Traffic Control Map pursuant to Chapter 3-109 of the Codified Ordinances by changing the flow of traffic of Goodwill Drive between Cameron Street and North 12th Street from a two-way street to a one-way street.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 63-2017 into record-** A Resolution approving a lease agreement with Eastern University for use of a portion of the basement of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Building for classrooms and administrative offices to support its course offerings and degree programs in Harrisburg.
- **President Williams suspended the rules to allow further discussion about Resolution 6-2017, before the vote.**
- **President Williams went back into session.**
- **President Williams called the vote and this failed 2-4, with Mr. Allatt, Ms. Daniels, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Madsen voting in the negative.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 87-2017 into record** - A resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to submit a grant application for a Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society, Inc. RECreation and Parks Technical Assistance Program ("RecTAP") Grant, supported by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for the Harrisburg Parks Conservancy Project.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 91 -2017 into record** - 1A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Christian Yellowdy to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission ("HHRC") for a one year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 92-2017 into record** - 2A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Kia L. Hansard to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission ("HHRC") for a three year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 93-2017 into record** - A Resolution re-appointing Mr. William Shambach to continue serving on the Audit Committee for the City of Harrisburg.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 94-2017 into record** - 3A Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Russell A. Boggs to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission ("HHRC") for a three year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 95-2017 into record** - 4A Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Theo Braddy to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a one year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 96-2017 into record-** 5A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Carolyn I. Thomas to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a two year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 97-2017 into record** - 6A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Gretchen M. Little to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a one year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 98-2017 into record** - 7A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Valerie Carelock to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a two year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 99-2017 into record** - 8A Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Joshua J. Grubbs to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a three year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 100-2017 into record** - A Resolution appointing Mr. Ryan M. Osborne to serve on the Audit Committee for the City of Harrisburg.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 101-2017 into record** - 9A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ms. Amanda Carter to serve on the reinstated Harrisburg Human Relations Commission (“HHRC”) for a two year term.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 102-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services contract with Mr. George L. Schwarz for transitional vehicle fleet management-related consulting services in the Department of Public Works.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 103-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to enter into a contract with PowerDMS, Inc. for the Police Bureau to subscribe to an online Policy, Training, & Accreditation Management Software for Law Enforcement.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Safety Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 104-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg (the “City”) to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation (“DOT”) for the purpose of funding the Division Street Master Plan project, any portion thereof, or any other qualifying transportation-related work, through the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (“TIGER”) grant program.
- Mr. Majors asked the City Engineer, Wayne Martin to give a quick overview of the Master Plan project.
- Mr. Wayne Martin gave an overview of the Division Street Master Plan project with regards to Resolution 104-2017.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 105-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services contract with Wallace Montgomery & Associates, LLP, a design firm, to perform engineering for the Second Street Multimodal Project Phase 2 (“Multimodal Project Phase 2”).
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 106-2017 into record-** A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg (the “City”) to enter into contracts with PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (“PPL”) to convert and furnish electric street lighting delivery service for a total of 223 City street lights.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 107-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to enter into a Comcast Business Service Order Agreement for phone, fax, and internet services for the Bureau of Fire at Station #1 (1820 N. 6th Street), Station #2 (140 N. 16th Street), and Squad #8 (9 S. 13th Street), and other similar agreements subject to the same standard terms and conditions.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Johnson spoke to Ms. Camac’s concerns. He said it ties into a lot of e-mails City Council gets with regards to rooming houses. He said depending on the zone, rooming houses are allowable as a special exception. He asked for more clarification on these types of issues. There was a continued discussion as to coordinating more effective ways of dealing with these types of issues.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Johnson announced that there will be 2 public meetings on October 18th (Camp Curtin) and October 19th (Hamilton Health Center) having a discussion with the City Codes Department. The meetings will start at 5:30PM. He asked the public to attend.
- Ms. Williams announced the 2nd Annual Pre Trick-or Treat Night Bash on October 25th from 5-7PM at two locations: Harrisburg Fire Station #1 (1820 N. 6th Street) and Harrisburg Fire Station #8 (9 S. 13th Street).

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:57PM.