



Homestead Borough Council
Agenda Setting Meeting - Caucus

Monday, February 8, 2021
5:00 PM

Call to Order – 5:04 pm

Roll Call

President Dais	X	Vice President Cunningham	X
Rev. Benton	X	Mr. Borcik	X
Min. Burwell	X	Mrs. Burwell	X
Ms. Nesby	X	Mayor Esper	X

A quorum is established

Borough Manager	X	Solicitor	X
Chief DeSimone	X		

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment – Items on Agenda Name, Address - Comment

Department Reports

1. Manager's report

Finance/Administration/Personnel

1. Discussion of invoices for bill list
2. Statement of Revenues & Expenditures to date

Agenda Items

1. Approve February bill list
2. Approval of minutes for January 2021 and all of the 2020 meetings including July, August, September and October. Remove approval for the November 9, 2020 meeting as no notes have been found.
3. **Ordinance 2021-01.** Approve, adopt and enact an ordinance codification for the Borough of Homestead.
4. Approval for Conditional Use for a 31-dwelling unit mid-rise apartment building, with community room, gymnasium, and storage rooms on property located at 120 East 9th Avenue in a c-3 Zoning District of the 2nd Ward, with 31 parking stalls in an existing garage located at 115 East 9th Avenue as recommended by the Homestead Borough Planning Commission on January 27, 2021.
5. Civil Service – certify test scores for Part-Time officers to Full-Time Officers based on test scores of January 25, 2021 for Lawrence Storch and Joseph Podolak.

6. Civil Service – promote and hire Part Time officers, Lawrence Storch and Joseph Podolak as Full-Time Officers.
7. Civil Service – approval of change to Section 4.15 amended rules and regulations: background checks can be done by Chief or designee or qualified individual or qualified agency.
 - a. Council would like to see this changed to remove the Chief from doing background checks.
8. Civil Service – reappoint Donald Majernik to Civil Service retroactively from January 31, 2020 for a 6-year term to expire on January 31, 2026.
9. Apply to the Local Government Academy for an intern through their Municipal Intern program.

Boards and Commissions

Council and the Solicitor will review open positions and terms

- Council Committees for 2021
 - List is included in Manager’s report
- Civil Service – would like to appoint 3 alternatives to the Commission.
- Planning Commission – 3 terms ended December 31, 2019
- Steel Valley Enterprise Zone – Mayor term ended December 31, 2019 and the Business Representative is open
- Steel Rivers Council of Governments Delegates – Mayor term ended December 31, 2019 and Mary Nesby as Alt ended December 3, 2019
- Suggestion is to have term limits for all committees

Concurring Resolution

The purpose of this Resolution is to have on record a statement confirming that Homestead Borough has formally requested a grant, has designated an official to perform the required duties between the applicant and the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County (“RAAC”), has authorized the execution and delivery of any and all agreements between the applicant and RAAC, and has assured, where applicable, the provision of local matching funds. In addition, the applicant will comply with all other provisions of the application for the completion of the West Street Storm Sewer Separation project.

Resolution of the Borough of Homestead Authorizing the filing of an application for the funds with the RAAC. Whereas, the Borough of Homestead desirous of obtaining funds from the RAQAC in the amount of \$125,000.

Motion:	Mr. Borcik	Second: Mr. Cunningham	
President Dais	YES	Vice President Cunningham	YES
Rev. Benton	YES	Mr. Borcik	YES
Min. Burwell	YES	Mrs. Burwell	YES
Ms. Nesby	YES	Mayor Esper	YES

Motion passes 7 – 0

Solicitor/Executive Session to discuss legal issues

Public Comment – General Information

Rondell May - Discussion about the truck given to the Fire Chief – what are the terms?

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cunningham and seconded by Mary Nesby at 7:15 pm

NEXT MEETING DATES

Legislative Session – Thursday, February 11, 2021

Zoning Board – February 24, 2021 6:00 pm

Planning Commission – February 24, 2021 7:00 pm

HARB – March 3, 2021 7:00 pm

Work Session/Caucus – March 8, 2021 5:00 pm

Legislative Session – March 11, 2021 6:00 pm

Approved



Vanessa M. McCarthy Johnson
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Borough Manager

March 11, 2021
Date

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President of Council