



Homestead Borough Council
Work Session
September 9, 2021
5:00 PM

Call to Order at 5:13 pm

Roll Call

President Dais	X	Vice President Cunningham	X
Rev. Benton	X	Mr. Borcik LATE	6:58 PM
Minister Burwell	X	Mrs. Burwell	X
Ms. Nesby	X	Mayor Esper	ABSENT
Borough Manager	X	Solicitor	X
Police Chief Desimone	ABSENT	Fire Chief Eads	X
Code Enforcement		Public Works	
Engineering			

Public Comment – Items on Agenda

- Duane Schulte – Questions on the cell phone policy; projector purchase/video usage
- Sue Varhola – What is electronic recycling

Report

1. Manager’s report

Agenda Items

1. Approve August 2021 meeting minutes
2. 221 W. 7th Avenue – roof repair. There should be a review of the original specifications to see what materials were to be used versus what was actual used. The architect was Walt Hagman of Urban Design. The President of Council said he would talk to the architect. The Borough Manager is to place the work out for a bid or solicit at least 3 quotes.
3. Accept revised Cell Phone Policy – there were changes to the timeline and some wordsmithing done to the policy; no major changes.
4. Approve August 2021 bill list after review by Finance Committee on 9/14/2021
5. Approval August 2021 Payroll
6. Purchase of projector and video camera for Council Chambers.
7. Approval of 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation
8. Approval to advertise for alternate crossing guards.
9. Steel Valley SRO MOU discussion
10. Approve hiring of PT Parking Enforcement Officer
11. Parking request for Saturday, September 18, 2021 at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

12. Approve electronic recycling contract
13. Approval to vacate Water Way – Solicitor will work on it
14. Update COVID policy – Solicitor and Borough Manager will work on it
15. Discussion regarding Whitaker Police Department shifts
 - a. Officers present were asked if they would be willing to patrol in Whitaker will on call and they were, contracted services through the Borough, not using OT
16. Motion to approve 2 Certificates of Appropriateness to (1) 100 East Eighth Avenue for a sign, and (2) 225 East Eighth Avenue for a sign and painting of storefront as recommended by HARB
17. Discussion on ARPA 2021 Funds
18. HBPD – DEA Task Force Agreement

Public Comment – Items NOT on Agenda

- Mary Mentz – parking permit for alley and would like her handicap signed moved to the alley parking spot.
- Gina Perry – issue with her building’s dumpster in the lot on E. 7th that is to become a new parking lot – would like to have a spot designated for the dumpster; LC said she could pay for a parking permit.
- Kim Fowler – is Council looking to hire a new code person; the Borough is not looking good.
- Elaine Scott – would like to know how to reserve the parks for 2022

Executive Session for personnel related issue at 6:59; no action will be taken

Adjournment at 7:21 pm

Motion: M. Nesby

Second: C. Burwell

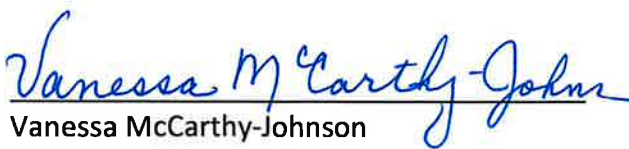
Motion passes: 7 – 0


NEXT MEETING DATES

Zoning Board	Planning Commission	HARB	Work Session/Caucus	Legislative Session
09/22/2021	09/22/2021	10/01/2021	10/24/2021	10/14/2021
6:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	5:00 pm	6:00 pm

Approved

10/21/2021
Date


Vanessa McCarthy-Johnson
Borough Manager


Don Dais
Council President