

BOROUGH OF HOMESTEAD

ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2019 - 5:00PM

The September 9, 2019 Agenda Setting Meeting of the Homestead Borough Council was called to order at 5:17p.m. Those present for the meeting were President Lloyd Cunningham, Rev. Louise Benton, Ms. Wanda Burwell, Ms. Mary Nesby, Mrs. Kim Fowler, Mr. Drew Borcik, Mayor Betty Esper, Police Chief DeSimone, Solicitor Heminger and Manager Zang. Absent from the meeting was Ms. Lynette Mariner.

1. REQUEST TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Joe Deasey, owner of the bank building and Ace Axe Throwing presented information to council regarding an electric charging station to be placed outside of the building. No cost to the borough, electric will be paid by Deasey and charging station being donated by Tesla.
- b. Crossing Guards regarding raise.
A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to provide a raise, changing the hourly crossing guard rate to \$15 per hour effective next pay period. Upon a roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- c. Shunta Parns and Michelle Derry presented idea of a community block party to be held on October 25th along 9th Avenue. Donations being received by varies local businesses and churches, event to take place from 6pm-9pm.

2. END OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PORTION OF THE MEETING

- a. The public is encouraged and welcomed to remain in the audience as council deliberates

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

- a. Police Chief Report- provided written report.
A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Ms. Nesby to hire 3 new police officers as recommended by the Chief and Mayor pending all background checks are completed. Upon a roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Mr. Borcik to approve Brian Meals disability pension application subject to final processing by the Pension Manager and enter into an agreement to be prepared by the Solicitor. Upon a roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.

4. FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION/PERSONNEL

- a. Review Bill List
A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to pay the bill list totaling \$155,285.02. Upon roll call vote all were in favor except Ms. Burwell, motion carries.
- b. Statement of Revenues and Expenditures to date

5. PRESIDENT-COUNCIL REVIEW

- a. Discussion
 - i. Old Business
 1. Complete business this evening
 2. Garage- Engineer to prepare documents for next year and negotiate with adjacent property owners at potential build site
 3. Baker Wall quotes
A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to accept the bid received from Lawson Excavating in the amount of \$8,400 for the Baker Wall property.

4. Motion created by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to authorize the Solicitor to prepare the documents to prepare for the sale of Gold Way. All were in favor, motion carries.
- ii. New Business
 1. A motion was created by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to approve the 2019-2020 Allegheny County Municipal Winter Traffic Services Agreement. Upon a roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
 2. 2020 Budget items- 2020 budget items are now being considered, submit requests for budget.
 3. A motion was created by Ms. Nesby and seconded by Mr. Borcik to approve a land development application from VooDoo Properties for an outdoor seating area and community courtyard with an elevator, stairwell and parking area to be installed in the future for the use of the upper floors of the structure; on property located at 205-209 East 9th Avenue in the C-3 zoning district of the 1st ward. All were in favor, motion carries.
 4. A motion was created by Ms. Nesby and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to approve a land development application from CraftWorks Restaurants, dba Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery, for façade upgrades and painting on property located at 171 E. Bridge Street in the WDD zoning district of the 1st ward. All were in favor, motion carries.
 5. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to accept the August 2019 meeting minutes. All were in favor, motion carries.
- b. Informational
 - i. August 2019 Minutes
 - ii. Allegheny County RAD events
 - iii. Training Schedule
6. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
7. SOLICITOR / EXECUTIVE SESSION
8. ADJOURN- meeting adjourned at 6:55p.m.