

**BOROUGH OF HOMESTEAD
AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
October 17, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

President Cunningham called the October 17, 2019 regular meeting of the Homestead Borough Council to order at 6:00p.m. President Cunningham asked Mayor Esper to lead the pledge of allegiance and asked for a moment of silence for those in the community that recently passed away.

PRESENT FOR ROLL CALL

President Cunningham, Rev. Louise Benton, Ms. Wanda Burwell, Mrs. Kim Fowler, Mayor Esper, Police Chief DeSimone, Engineer Prince, Solicitor Heminger, Code Enforcement Officer Parms and Manager Zang. Ms. Mary Nesby, Mr. Drew Borcik and Deputy Fire Chief, Tim Eads were absent.

1. REQUEST TO BE ON AGENDA

Ms. Yvette Fletcher-Sampson addressed Council regarding a recent incident involving the police.

Robert Haddad- parking restrictions along 18th Avenue.

2. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Please sign in to address Council. The sign in sheet is at the podium. Thank you.

3. Presentation of awards by Chief DeSimone- Chief DeSimone presented Sergeant Kashauer of the Homestead Police Department and Officer Barren of the West Homestead Police Department with an award for their actions in saving a person's life during a recent fire in the community.

4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS- Please keep to 3 minutes or less

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| President of Council | Fire Department |
| Borough Solicitor | Chief of Police |
| Borough Engineer | Code Enforcement |
| Mayor Esper | Manager |

5. MOTIONS

- a. A motion was made by Mrs. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Burwell to approve the Minutes of the September 2019 meetings. All were in favor, motion carries.
- b. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to pay the bills as per the bill list dated October 9, 2019 in the amount of \$478,162.44. Upon roll call vote Mrs. Fowler, Rev. Benton and President Cunningham were in favor and Ms. Burwell was not. Motion carried with a vote of 3-1.

- c. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to adopt Resolution No. 2019-13 agreeing to provide for the reimbursement of reasonable legal costs incurred by the Steel Rivers Council of Governments relating to the preparation of the right-of-way agreement required to provide the borough with access across a certain parcel of real estate owned by the Steel Rivers Council of Governments known as tax id parcel number 130-F-58. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- d. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Rev. Benton to adopt Resolution No. 2019-14 authorizing the advertisement for the public sale of real estate known as God Way with tax id number 130-G-175. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- e. A motion was made by Rev. Benton seconded Mrs. Fowler to adopt Resolution No. 2019-15 authorizing the acquisition and disposition of numerous parcels of vacant property known as block and lot numbers 131-G-225 (111 E. 18th Ave). All were in favor, motion carries.
- f. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Ms. Burwell to table the motion to award the Frick Park Swings and Safety Surface bid to Sports & Recreation Associates in the amount of \$80,852.00. Upon roll call vote Rev. Benton, Ms. Burwell and President Cunningham were in favor, Mrs. Fowler was opposed. Motion carries 3-1.
- g. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Ms. Burwell to award the ALCOSAN Regionalization Trunk Sewer Takeover project to Soli Construction in the amount of \$186,605.00. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- h. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to direct engineer to prepare bid for a guide rail along East Laurel Way (Baker Retaining Wall). Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- i. A motion was made by Rev. Benton and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to direct the Borough Manager and Solicitor to prepare an RFP for auditing services for the financial year of 2019. All were in favor, motion carries.
- j. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Rev. Benton to advertise the position of Administrative Level 2 position. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- k. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Rev. Benton to advertise the 2020 Budget Planning meeting for November 12, 2019 (meeting will be held at agenda setting meeting). All were in favor, motion carries.

- l. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to accept the resignation of Lynette Mariner from the Borough of Homestead Council and seek letters of interest for the position. All were in favor, motion carries.

- m. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Rev. Benton to submit 2 grant applications on behalf of the borough. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm

Please note the November Agenda Setting Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 due to the Veteran's Day holiday.