

**BOROUGH OF HOMESTEAD**  
**AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF**  
**August 15, 2019**  
**6:00 P.M.**

President Cunningham called the August 15, 2019 regular meeting of the Homestead Borough Council to order at 6:16p.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, Ms. Wanda Burwell, Ms. Mary Nesby, Mrs. Kim Fowler, Mr. Drew Borcik, Mayor Esper, Police Chief DeSimone, Engineer Prince, Solicitor Heminger, Building Inspector Hankins and Manager Zang. Rev. Louise Benton, Ms. Lynette Mariner and Deputy Fire Chief, Tim Eads were absent.

**1. REQUEST TO BE ON AGENDA**

Attack Theater- Peter Kope and Michele De-La-Renza spoke regarding the Attack Theater coming to Homestead.

Sharon Frederick- abandoned property located at 1102 West Street.

**2. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- None**

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

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

President of Council- spoke regarding upcoming events

Borough Solicitor- none

Borough Engineer- read written

Mayor Esper- spoke about upcoming events and events over the past month

Police Chief- read written report

Fire Department- absent

Code Enforcement- read written report

Manager- read written report

**4. MOTIONS**

a. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to approve the Minutes of the July 2019 meetings. All were in favor, motion carries.

b. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to pay the bills as per the bill list dated August 6, 2019 in the amount of \$307,722.83. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.

- c. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to adopt Resolution No. 2019-12 authorizing the filing of the application with the RAAC in the amount of \$500,000 for the West Street Construction. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- d. Motion to approve the bid received from Allegheny Fence for the replacement of the fencing at McLean Park in the amount of \$48,460.00. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- e. Motion to accept the RFP received from Jordan Tax Service, for sewage billing and collection for sewage billing effective January 1, 2020. Upon roll call vote Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Borcik and President Cunningham were in favor, Ms. Nesby and Ms. Burwell abstained from the vote, motion carries.
- f. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Ms. Nesby to hire Erick Meadows for part-time seasonal help at the rate of \$7.25 per hour. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- g. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mrs. Fowler to appoint resident, Constance Portas to the alternate position of the Civil Service Commission. All were in favor, motion carries.
- h. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to accept the certified Civil Service List approved by the Civil Service Commission on July 24, 2019. All were in favor, motion carries.
- i. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mr. Borcik to hire Ashley Redshaw for the position of a part-time police officer at the pay rate of \$16.73 subject to the progression rate specified in the CBA for part-time officers. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- j. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Ms. Nesby to advertise for part-time police officers in the Valley Mirror, Post Gazette and the Tribune Review. Upon roll call vote all were in favor, motion carries.
- k. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to approve the Subdivision application for a 2-lot consolidation plan from M&J Big Waterfront Town Center II, LLX and EPC Real Estate Group to construct a 5-story 251-unit apartment complex with a 302 space parking garage on property located at 185 & 201 West Waterfront Drive in the WDD Zoning District of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward; with the condition that the 10-foot Duquesne Light Company easement in parcel 89-H-55 is abandoned prior to the subdivision plan being recorded with Allegheny County Real Estate Department and/or construction permits being issued by Homestead Borough. All were in favor, motion carries.

- l. A motion was made by Ms. Nesby and seconded by Mr. Borcik to approve the Land Development application from M&J Big Waterfront Town Center II, LLC and EPC Real Estate Group to construct a 5-story 251-unit apartment complex with a 302 space parking garage on property located at 185 & 201 West Waterfront Drive in the WDD Zoning District of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward; with the condition that the subdivision plan is recorded with Allegheny County Real Estate Department prior to construction permits being issued by Homestead Borough. All were in favor, motion carries.
  
- m. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mr. Borcik to approve the request from Latasha Batch to use 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Playground on Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-9pm for a movie night. All were in favor, motion carries.
  
- n. A motion was made by Mr. Borcik and seconded by Ms. Nesby to reject the bids received for the East Laurel Way retaining wall. All were in favor, motion carries.
  
- o. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mr. Borcik to direct the engineer to rebid the East Laurel Way retaining wall project. Upon roll call vote all were in favor motion carries.
  
- p. A motion was made by Ms. Burwell and seconded by Mrs. Fowler for the engineer to submit a CDBG application for the work needed on Maple Street and the Sarah Street parking lot.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – the meeting was adjourned at 7:16p.m.