

**City Council
Minutes
Monday November 28, 2011**

Public Hearing – 2012 Proposed Budget

President Hamrick opened the floor for the public hearing at 7:34 pm on the proposed 2012 budget. He announced the Budget has been available for review and advertised correctly. There were no public comments.

Ms. Jorgenson made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:38 on the proposed 2012 budget; Mrs. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Regular Session

President Joseph Hamrick called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Council members present were Council President Joseph Hamrick, Mssrs., Jarrell Brazzle, David Collins, Mrs. Ingrid Jones and Ms. Karen Jorgenson. Staff members present included City Solicitor John Carnes, Assistant City Manager Kirby Hudson, Lieutenant Rita Shesko, Acting Fire Chief Jim Lentz, Director of Planning and Codes Enforcement Damalier Molina, Director of Public Works Donald Wilkinson, and Recording Secretary Ruthann Mowday.

President Hamrick announced an executive session was held on November 28, 2011 to discuss personnel and legal matters.

President Hamrick announced Mr. Eggleston and Mr. Simpson would not be in attendance.

1. Approval of Minutes:

1.1 November 10, 2011

Ms. Jorgenson made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 10, 2011 meeting; Mr. Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

1.2 November 14, 2011

Mr. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 14, 2011 meeting; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0-1.

2. Approval of Accounts Payable

Ms. Jorgenson made a motion to approve the accounts payable dated November 22, 2011; Mr. Brazzle seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Additions, Deletions or Modifications to the Agenda

Mr. Hamrick asked for a modification to the agenda on regular action item 9.5 to change the name from Yvonne Perry to Frederick Sharpe for reappointment on the Parks and Recreation Commission and delete Charles Elder due to his affiliation with the Fire Departments.

4. Presentation

There were no presentations at this time.

5. Citizens' Hearings – Regular Action Items Only

There were no citizen's comments on regular action items only.

Mr. Brazzle made a motion to close citizen's comments on regular action items only; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

6. Citizens' Hearings – Non-Agenda Items Only

Marie Hess – Resident

Ms. Hess announced behind the building on the 700 Block of East Lincoln Highway were painted and cleaned. The mission for the committee has changed to beautification. MS. Hess announced Kia of Coatesville wants to shoot a commercial in Coatesville. Mr. Collins inquired about the paint for the projects. Mr. Pawlowski and Officer Ollis explained money was donated for the beautification of the City of Coatesville. The paint and supplies are no cost to the City.

Mr. Brazzle made a motion to close citizens' hearings on non-agenda items only; Mr. Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

7. Special Events

7.1 A Special Event application has been received from the Washington Hose Company to hold a Boot Collection for the Volunteer Fire Company at the 200 Block of West Lincoln Highway on December 10, 2011

Ms. Jorgenson made a motion to approve a special event application from the Washington Hose Company to hold a Boot Collection for the Volunteer Fire Company at the 200 Block of West Lincoln Highway on December 10, 2011; Mr. Brazzle seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

8. Items for Discussion

8.1 Discuss Planning Commission Membership

President Hamrick explained the Planning Commission has trouble achieving a quorum for its meetings and many items that are brought before the Commission are held up. At the current time there are three vacancies on a seven board Commission. On many occasions three members are present but the absence of the fourth member prohibits business from being conducted. The City Solicitor has indicated that the size of the Planning Commission can be reduced to five members after terms have been expired. Mr. Carnes indicated an elected official can be named to the Planning Commission. It is nit in violation of Section 2-303. President Hamrick explained the Planning Commission will play a very active role in the Train Station Project by holding public hearings associated with the development.

Ms. Jorgenson explained after the appointment this evening in the regular action items and when an elected official is appointed, there will be six members.

9. Regular Action Items

9.1 Consideration of an extension on the 90-day review period for the subdivision plans for the Marriott Hotel and Office Building

Mr. Weiss explained the status of the project and the nature of the request for an extension on the 90 day clock. Mr. Hamrick explained the easement on the eyebrow is to stay the same on the eyebrow. Mr. Weiss announced the Hotel will be completed and opened in the spring.

Mr. Collins made a motion to approve an extension on the review for the subdivision plans for the Marriott Hotel and Office Building for 6 months expiring on May 31, 2012; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

9.2 Consideration of Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the City of Coatesville to accept deeds of dedication for the public improvements (roadways and public park and amenities) in the Millview subdivision from Coatesville Communities Corporation and/or Coatesville Housing Associates (or other owner thereof) subject to the execution of an appropriate maintenance agreement secured by appropriate security and subject to receipt of a title report establishing clear title to the property at issue (with appropriate releases of liens etc.) and conditioned upon approval of the legal description of the roadways and other public improvements by the City engineer and certification by the City engineer that the public improvements are acceptable for dedication.

President Hamrick explained the development agreements for Millview contemplate the project will be completed within 30 days. The development agreements also contemplate a swift dedication process. The adoption of the Ordinance will result in the acceptance of Deeds of Dedication for the Roadways and the Public Park and related amenities.

Ms. Jorgenson made a motion to approve Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the City of Coatesville to accept deeds of dedication for the public improvements (roadways and public park and amenities) in the Millview subdivision from Coatesville Communities Corporation and/or Coatesville Housing Associates (or other owner thereof) subject to the execution of an appropriate maintenance agreement secured by appropriate security and subject to receipt of a title report establishing clear title to the property at issue (with appropriate releases of liens etc.) and conditioned upon approval of the legal description of the roadways and other public improvements by the City engineer and certification by the City engineer that the public improvements are acceptable for dedication; Mr. Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

9.3 Consideration of a Resolution to split the taxes in half for the Fleetwood Street Properties designated for the future transit oriented development between the Redevelopment Authority and the City of Coatesville.

President Hamrick explained the RDA has asked for the City to share the payment 50/50 with the Redevelopment Authority on the Real Estate Taxes for the Fleetwood Street Properties. It is important to get the parcels in the RDA's name quickly. It will show PennDOT and the County that we are moving forward with assembling the land on the south side of Fleetwood Street for a future transit oriented development.

Mr. Collins made a motion to approve a Resolution to split the taxes in half for the Fleetwood Street Properties designated for the future transit oriented development between the Redevelopment Authority and the City of Coatesville; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

9.4 Consideration of support for a conversion of a garage into two unit apartments at 219 West Lincoln Highway.

Mr. Collins asked Mr. Molina to explain. Mr. Molina explained Council made a modification in 2010 to not allow conversions. Each conversion now must go before the Zoning Hearing Board and Council will be asked to support or not support the project. The property is zoned C-1 and has 2 existing dwelling units. The garage is not being used

presently. The application is to convert the garage into two additional dwelling units with one parking space per unit. Council asked Mr. Carnes to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing.

Mr. Brazzle made a motion to support for a conversion of a garage into two unit apartments at 219 West Lincoln Highway; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion failed 0-5.

9.5 Consideration of the appointment of Linda Lavender to the Planning Commission term 2011-2014; and Charles Elder to the Advisory Fire Committee; and reappointment of the following members: Maitland Harvey and Stephen Cane to the Planning Commission term 2012-2015; Stephen Cane to the Uniform Construction Code 2012-2016; Yvonne Perry to the Parks and Recreation Commission term 2012-2015; Joseph Kandler to the Redevelopment Authority term 2012-2016.

Mr. Carnes explained the reappointments for the Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees should be done at the first regular meeting in January as the terms have expired.

Mr. Brazzle made a motion to appoint Linda Lavender to the Planning Commission for the term 2011-2014; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-1-0. Mrs. Jones was the dissenting vote.

10. Solicitors Report

Mr. Carnes explained the City has moved forward with the dedication of the Roadways and Public Park which are part of the Millview Subdivision.

11. City Manager's Report

11.1 TCFYI Special Announcement

Mr. Rawlings announced Kirby Hudson, Assistant City Manager, is receiving the First Ever Jonathon T. Schmidt Visionary Leadership Award at the upcoming Southeastern Pennsylvania First Suburbs Project Awards Ceremony being held December 8, 2011 in Lansdowne, PA. Mr. Hudson explained the importance of the First Suburbs Project.

11.2 TCFYI Items

Mr. Rawlings explained the letter from Judy Jones for the Celebrate Coatesville Day, the 2012 CHESCO Grand Prix schedule listing for the Coatesville Classic on July 1, 2012 and the letters to Judge Koon and Judge Hines regarding the changes to the Vacant Premises Ordinance.

12. Council Comments

Mr. Brazzle thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Council is making progress and moving forward.

Ms. Jorgenson thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Mrs. Jones thanked everyone for attending the meeting and quoted "Oh what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive".

Mr. Collins thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He saluted all who sat through the meeting. There is a platform of progress in all areas in Coatesville if we revitalize the City.

President Hamrick thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

13. Adjournment

Mr. Brazzle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm; Ms. Jorgenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Gary Rawlings
City Manager