

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Benner Building Auditorium, 545 East Lincoln Highway Coatesville, PA 19320

August 22, 2017

Vice President Lawson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Council members present were President C. Arvilla Hunt, Vice President Marie Lawson, Msrs, Edward Simpson, Joseph Hamrick, Mrs. Carmen Green, Mrs. Linda Lavender-Norris and Mrs. Ingrid W. Jones. Staff members present included City Manager Michael Trio, City Solicitor John Carnes, and recording secretary Ruthann Mowday.

President Hunt announced an executive session was held earlier this evening August 22, 2017 to discuss personnel and legal matters.

President hunt explained the previous agreement did not have the stipulation regarding a percentage of labor used for the project live in the 19320 zip code. City did not approve the bid until the provision was added for local labor.

Mr. Carnes explained the addendum presented to Council this evening for the proposed contract. Greg Vietri will do the electrical work (approximately \$2,500), local plumber will be hired from the list provided from the 19320 area (approximately \$1,500) two employees will be hired for approximately 120 man hours. A request for an additional \$1,000is requested to offset the costs of both hiring and training or to offset the cost of utilizing a local tem agency. The lowest bid was submitted by Power Components for \$83,500.

Citizens' Hearings – Regular Action Items Only (3 Minutes)

Todd Hood

Mr. Hood explained that he has a felony offense from years ago. Will they take people with a criminal record? He is self-employed at the moment. Due to his action when he was younger it is hard to get a job. Trying to make a better life for himself and his family. Council asked Mr. Hood to provide the information to Mr. Ganguzzo.

Dave Mosley

Mr. Mosley asked the process or prerequisite for the contractor. There are a lot of people interested and eligible for the positions.

Vice President Lawson explained the work for the rebuild will be major work. There are other parts of the rebuild that there will be hiring for. President Hunt explained City Council is committed to make sure the project has local labor.

Mr. Hood asked if there is additional work after the project. Mrs. Green stated that your work will prove yourself. Mr. Hamrick explained that many places hire the employees after jobs are done because they have proven how dedicated the person is to their work. Vice President Lawson stated to prove that you are a hard worker. Mrs. Lavender-Norris explained to continue to be up front, we have all done things in our past. Continue to be honest. Vice President Lawson state persistence make a difference.

Regular Action Items

1. Receive and consider acceptance of Power Component Systems, Inc. as lowest responsible bidder for interior demolition work (\$83,500.00) and into AIA contract in form approved by City Solicitor with Power Components Systems, Inc.

Mrs. Green made a motion to approve Power Component Systems, Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder and to require that the AIA Contract have attached thereto the PCS letter identifying the local labor that is being required; Mrs. Lavender-Norris seconded the motion . Motion passed 7-0.

Vice President Lawson explained that there are plenty of job opportunities coming up. There are projects coming up back to back.

Spartacus Lewis

Mr. Lewis asked for more accurate information when posting for the positions.

Citizens' Hearings – *Non-Agenda Items Only* (3 Minutes)

There were no citizens' comments on non-agenda items only.

Council Comments

Vice President Lawson stated the acts of hatred we saw in our city and against our residents this morning are deplorable. We do not stand for this and we will rise from it an even stronger community. Hate does not have a home here.

Mr. Hamrick stated he is not happy about the last meeting. There was no discharge paper in the packet for Mr. Pawlowski. Mr. Pawlowski has not received a check yet. The union should not have to sign off on the Pawlowski agreement. Need to get this taken care of.

Mrs. Green there is hatred in the City especially the event this morning with the graffiti. She announced someone snuck in and hung the flag upside down at the school yesterday. The City is very diverse. Haven never seen hate this this in the City. Hope to find out who did it. They cannot go unpunished and hope are punished to the full extent.

Mrs. Lavender-Norris thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She stated what you look like does not matter not to me, what matters what your character is. If you are for our community, you are not for the nonsense. I'm for my community and I will fight for everyone in Coatesville. She announced a meeting at New Life in Christ following this meeting.

Mrs. Hunt echoed the sentiment of City Council. We all have things in our life that we are not proud of. We move on and do what we have to do to make things right.

Adjournment

Mrs. Lavender-Norris made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm; Mrs. Green seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.