

Minutes
City of Coatesville
Via – Virtual Meeting via Zoom and You Tube – COVID 19
Monday, August 10, 2020



Council Present: President Lavender-Norris, Vice President Carmen Green, Ms. Khadijah Al Amin, Mrs. C. Arvilla Hunt, Ms. Nydea Graves, Mr. Donald Folks and Mr. Edward Simpson.

Council Absent:
Staff Present James Logan, Acting City Manager; Anthony Verwey, Solicitor; Chief Jack Laufer, Police Department; Richard Troutman, Finance Director and Ruthann Mowday, Recording Secretary.

President Lavender- Norris announced an executive session was held on July 16, August 3, 2020 and prior to the regular meeting regarding personnel, real estate and legal matters.

Approved Minutes

Vice President Green made a motion to approve the July 13, 2020 meeting minutes; Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

Ms. Al Amin made a motion to approve the revised June 25, 2020 meeting minutes; Mr. Folk seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Accounts Payables

Vice President Green made a motion to approve the accounts payables; Mr. Folks seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-2. Ms. Al Amin and Ms. Graves were the dissenting votes.

Ms. Al Amin questioned the HVAC bill for the Police Department. The City should look into revisit replacing the unit on the roof, due to the annual repair costs.

Ms. Al Amin questioned the Insurance billing which is charging for a previous employee who left a couple months ago. The City should not pay the bill until the monies charged are removed, not pay then receive a credit.

Ms. Al Amin questioned the policy for reassessments. The City is responsible for returning a payment in the amount of \$31,78.32 after being reassessed. She asked for Council to be notified when the City receives an assessment appeals for high value properties, so they can decide whether the solicitor present to appeal them. Mr. Verwey explained the School District appealed and lost.

Additions, Deletions or Modifications to the Agenda

Vice President Green made a motion to add action item 5) Accept retirement of City Manager; Discussion item 2) change date to September 6, 2020 and combine discussion item 5 &6) citations; Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Presentations

1. Coatesville Area School Superintendent – Tomas Hanna
Mr. Hanna was unable to attend the meeting and rescheduled for August 24, 2020 meeting.

Citizens Hearings – Regular Action Items Only (3 Minutes)

Laurie Shannon-Bailey

President Lavender-Norris read a request from Ms. Shannon-Bailey. Ms. Shannon Bailey requested the following: 1) Request for a letter of support for my non-profit: Coatesville Area Juvenile Alliance; 2) Requests to schedule monthly Ash Park Community Clean up days; 3) Request for a City of Coatesville Resolution for National Juvenile Week Resolution Oct 5-9; and 4) Request to present A Key to the City of Coatesville award to Senator Andy Dinniman before he officially retires. Thank you for your considerations.

Wendy Whitaker

Mr. Logan read an email from Ms. Whitaker regarding the Spotted Lantern flies. She asked for some kind of ordinance or at least look into how they could go about and have the homeowners and landlords have these trees removed infested with the invasive insects.

Mr. Logan explained the process for citizens hearings. There are two ways to listen to our council meetings are the first is through the zoom link, but the city of Coatesville has a city of Coatesville YouTube channel that you can go on to or connect on to our particular YouTube channel. There is a opportunity for you to submit, any comments that you'd like to make or anything that you would like to add to on you tube. Requests for citizens comments on action items or non-agenda items can be sent to info@coatesville.org.

Ms. Al Amin made a motion to close citizens hearings on action items; Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Regular Action Items

1. Receive and consider Second Reading and Adoption an Ordinance 1536-2020 amending Chapter 108, Fees of the General Laws if the City of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with language permitting the setting of fees by Resolution.
Mrs. Hunt made a motion to approve Second Reading and Adoption an Ordinance 1536-2020 amending Chapter 108, Fees of the General Laws if the City of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with language permitting the setting of fees by Resolution; Vice President Green seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Logan explained this is the second reading for an ordinance amending chapter 180 Fees of the City of Coatesville. Again, we're deleting the previous ordinance to update, the City's fees moving forward. So, there's just some minor fee increases and these will cover all fees associated to the City of Coatesville.

Mr. Verwey explained that currently, all the fees are set forth by ordinance each time, say one single fee wants to be changed. The City has to go through the process of amending an ordinance, which has a substantial expense related to it. There is no flexibility. The purpose of this ordinance is to allow the City to set fees by resolution. You have more flexibility in setting those fees. Those, those resolutions will start to be voted on by council, but it won't be as time consuming or as expensive as going through the ordinance process.

2. Receive and consider Resolution stating its policy on Equality and Human Rights

Vice President Green made a motion to approve a Resolution stating its policy on Equality and Human Rights; Ms. Al Amin seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Vice President Green explained the City had a Resolution signed by previous Council. Ms. Graves stated that she asked for the Resolution to have more clarity because the current one was not descriptive enough on discrimination. That is why she proposed to updating the Resolution and making it clearer and descriptive.

3. Receive and consider Roadway Restoration fee associated with the Road Opening Permit be waived (Pennsylvania American Water project)

Mr. Simpson made a motion for the Roadway Restoration fee associated with the Road Opening Permit be waived (Pennsylvania American Water project); Md. Graves seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Logan explained the request is to waive the fee for the Pennsylvania American water to do some work on Merchant street. It is standard practice that we have waiving fees as a partnership with PA American water, by doing so they normally go above the scope of work that they do while repaving the roads. This is kind of a savings actually for the City and we get what's needed work for the curve. PAWC does paving curb to curb for the City of Coatesville.

4. Receive and consider promotion of Part Time Officer Kevin E. Marvill to Full Time

Mr. Folks made a motion to approve the promotion of part time officer Kevin E. Marvill to full time officer; Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-2. Vice President Green and Ms. Graves were the dissenting votes.

Chief Laufer read the letter of retirement submitted by Detective Campbell. Chief thanked Detective Campbell for his years of service. Chief Laufer recommended Officer Kevin Marvill to be promoted from part-time to full time. Mr. Simpson congratulated Detective Campbell on his retirement. He was tough in negotiations. Ms. Graves asked if the item could be tabled until Council could hold discussion on adopting a Resolution regarding back ground information on the officers.

Ms. Al Amin asked if the Cops Grant requires two signatures and the City is required to match, why is it not required for Council to vote on it. Mr. Simpson stated the grant was voted and approved by Council. Ms. Al Amin asked for the minutes approving the grant to be emailed to her as it was before her tenure.

5. Receive and consider Resolution accepting the retirement and separation from employment by City Manager Michael Trio; and authorizing separation agreement between the City and the City Manager

Vice President Green made a motion to approve the Resolution accepting the retirement and separation from employment tendered by the City Manager Michael Trio; and authorizing a separation agreement between the City and City Manager; Mr. Folk seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

President Lavender-Norris read the Resolution. Mr. Simpson thanked Mr. Trio for the five years he contributed to the City of Coatesville, particularly, it was his idea, him and Dick

Miles for the Grand Prix, and the Grand Prix will continue. Although we're not going to have it this year, the grand Prix will continue next year. Hopefully, it gets bigger and better. That's something that Mr. Trio can hang his hat. President Lavender-Norris thanked Mr. Trio for his service while he was here and wish him well in his future endeavors and thank him for the many projects that he's been involved in. We look forward to the Grand Prix next year, and I'm sure we'll see Mr. Trio there, God willing we are to. Mr. Trio, I wish you all the best to you and your family.

President Lavender-Norris announced Mr. Logan will be Acting City Manager as of August 11, 2020. Congratulations to you, sir, and thank you for stepping up and keeping the City going forward. If anybody has any questions or concerns going forward, Mr. Logan will be the one you reach out to. The doors open. We appreciate you and we thank you.

Vice President Green made a motion to close action items only; Ms. Al Amin seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Discussion Items

1. Meeting Minutes

Vice President Green said, I'm thankful that they did go back and revise the June 25th minutes and going forward. Can we just make sure that we're, really capturing what's going on at the meetings with the minutes?

2. Fireworks September 5, 2020

Mr. Logan announced based on several conversations and meetings with our Unity Day committee, we were unfortunate, and are not to be able to have Unity Day as well as our fireworks. The committee did decide to offer something I think is better. That's a Labor Day Celebration with our fireworks. The fireworks will take place on September 6th, which is a Sunday. The company that has been working with the City of bill has actually been very flexible with this year's pricing. I'm very happy to say, I think all of the committee members for Unity Day would be happy and we're looking forward to putting on the wonderful display celebrity weekend for our residents and neighbors throughout the community. We will be working with the Police Chief and the Fire Department. We are not inviting people to gather in gateway park if people happen to gather there because you and I know that it's a great place to see the fireworks, uh, that is that it's not a City of promoted with that. We're encouraging them to come out. Council as whole agreed to block off the park to practice social distancing. If the City ignores the fact that people are going to be coming in the Park to watch the fireworks, the City is sending the wrong message about their safety. The orange fences. The fireworks can be seen all through Coatesville.

3. Census request for outdoor questionnaire & taking

Mr. Logan announced he received a call a couple of weeks ago from the Census Committee. They would like to request an area where they can encourage individuals to fill out a questionnaire and work on the Census. They are going to put in a request for an outdoor location or that location is to be determined. I don't have the exact area yet, but they want me to share with council this evening to make the request for them to set up somewhere in the City. It could be at Gordon elementary. They are also reaching out to the library and in front of City Hall. They have their own tent and tables. They will be practicing social distancing. It's just a request for location to complete the Census this year.

4. Coatesville Biz Pop – August 29, 2020 and

Mr. Logan announced we are in our seventh week of the business startup program. It's been a very successful program to date. One of the things that we have planned for the graduation of a Pop Up just what we're seeing throughout the communities, with outdoor open-air markets. But we actually had this idea before COVID yet. We were going to plan to have it indoors, but again now with COVID, that's going to be much better outside. So, the idea is to have a pop up open there with approximately 10 to 15 vendors. They would be located on the third Avenue, block there, and spread out. The idea is to showcase all the small businesses and emerging businesses here in the City. We recently had a new business open, one of our food trucks, which was very successful and has been successful for the past three weeks. We also have two other businesses that will be opening soon. One is basically remodeling Saint Stanislaus Church in the West End for entertainment/performing arts. Businesses are coming to Coatesville and I'm happy to see and the fact that businesses are actually opening during this time. The business Pop Up is a one-day event. The hours are from 12 to 6 pm. We are looking to do this the last weekend of this month. We are excited because there's some wonderful new businesses that have been participating in this program and it gives them an opportunity to showcase their products and services. One other business that opened, they're looking to have a ribbon cutting, however, that restaurant is BOBO's, formally known as the famous or the Kool bar. I recognized, over the weekend that they were open, I stopped in and, it's exciting to see the new businesses opening their doors

5. Citation(s) grace period and Citation(s) action and court

Mr. Logan announced, we have been working on in a Codes Department to come up with a better process when it comes to citations. If you recall, last year we had the citation procedure was instant tickets. We did away with instant tickets and, now we're using, what we call red tag and these red flags are issued for anything from high grass to just violations of the City Ordinance from trash, high grass, no permits that have not been issued. We are trying to just really get a better handle on it. So, the process that we have right now, is flawed, because there is inconsistency. For example, if there's high grass, in a residence's backyard or front yard, a red tag is issued, that particular resident has up to 10 days to do something about it on the 11th day, we should issue another red flag or a ticket or citation. What we've been doing is just working with the residents and making it a little bit more communal. We have been calling the resident and negotiating with them and when they are going to take care of it. The problem is, it extends to 10 days, 15 days, 20 days even a month, and we just have to get better at it. We need to just re-examine citations and the enforcement of some of those citations that we give out. The process is, the citation will be issued. They have five days to file. The Codes department will have five days to file that to our court. And then there's a 10-day period where, you know, the case can be plea. and, and I've been informed that, you know, sometimes the hearings can let us, you know, two weeks, three weeks up to a month, but the first two steps are very important, you know, issuing a citation to get in into the court. The court sets the date. And from there, you know, the judge will make this ruling. And I think if we, if we come to the courts with the citation early on and not allow his series of citations to accumulate. We may get a little bit more positive activity on the issue. We are looking at better software for the Codes Department. The Codes Department needs a Quality of Life person as LTL is not contracted for it. The Codes Department and the Public Works Department are working with skeleton crews.

Reports

Solicitor

Mr. Verwey announced he:

- worked on personnel matters for the City
- prepared resolutions.
- worked on real estate matters.
- worked on some contracting matters with regard to ongoing projects
- addressed other legal issues with the City manager and acting City manager.

Acting City Manager

Mr. Logan announced:

- Will have a full report at our next public meeting.
- That new businesses that are coming to Coatesville, we are very happy of the relationship and the partnership we have with Princeton University on this entrepreneur program. The update from the meeting is she is working on a panel discussion that will take place actually this Thursday at noon to discuss the challenges in entrepreneurship, here in the City of Coatesville. So, you have an opportunity to meet some of our businesses and, now she is working on having open round table discussions about some of the challenges here. We're very excited about that kind of discussion to take place on the 13th.
- He is working closely with 2nd Century Alliance and other stakeholders, in terms of business development and we're excited. New Heritage Properties is doing some great things in the West End. In addition, there are several landlords that are doing some great things with their apartments, in lieu of the COVID Pandemic. We all know there is a moratorium on evictions and a lot of the landlords in the City of Coatesville have been stepping up and really providing some, great resources and understanding to the residents.
- That all ties into our business development, which is great. I mentioned simple strength, a food truck, earlier. They launched on Saturday, July 25th. from my understanding that she's been selling out almost every weekend since then, That's great news. Councilwoman, Lavender-Norris, you mentioned BOBO's Restaurant and Councilman Folks you'll be working there for their grand opening celebration.
- The County Department of Emergency Services continues to monitor the storm, even though it's fast. I hope it continues to kind of go through, but we did suffer some damages the first week of August in several areas of the City, we have our outages, we had some flooding on Third Avenue, Fourth Avenue, and 11th Avenue. We had our public works guys out there. We have our Police Department and Fire Department all working together to manage and mitigate traffic issues. Everyone just kind of came together to really step up their efforts and their making sure people were safe and getting from work until home during that storm period. Some of the power has not been restored in some homes as of last Friday. I think there was about 37 actually in this area, there was about 3,700 homes still left without power. People have been working very hard, to get out and restore power for some individuals that still may be out.
- The census tracking committee plans to put a table out or a booth out in the community and we're excited to do that. We also have a local community group that will be putting out a voter registration. That's going to be September 19th. Oh, that's the kind of like get out to

vote, for all parties. It's nice to see that community is coming together to make sure that everyone is getting out to vote this year.

- On the Covid front, we still have testing that's taking place at Gordon Elementary School. The hours may change, but they are there, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12 to 5:30, as of July, I haven't looked at the recent board yet. So, I can't give you the actual number of cases. You should be able to walk up and get tested.
- Received a request from the fish rodeo leader. They would like to have the fish rodeo back over at the Brandywine Riverwalk/Creek for consideration of October 9th through 12th. The Rodeo is an opportunity for young men, fathers and boys and fathers to come out and fish. I asked Dave Terry to provide information on how this year will be different with safety measures due to COVID.
- Working with Eagle Disposal to get the trash picked up within 24 hours of missed pick up.

Finance Director

Mr. Troutman announced:

The three pension commissions had met on July 23rd. They conducted a standard business, including a review of the results. The results in the pension plans are favorable year to date. The plans, whether the market corrections that occurred in March and the investment managers were extremely complimentary of the basically two points, one, they attributed the returns to stay in the course of the investment strategies and the City decision to invest a portion of its annual requirement earlier than it typically would. Historically we would be paying in December on our annual required portion. We started to do a change in the approach to do what's called a dollar cost averaging, spreading out your investment, your investment influxes, so that you get, average returns or you, in this case, we've benefited greatly by, by doing that initial payment. When the market was down, the investment managers said a few of their clients, but not many had done our approach. So, again, they were complimentary of the way the, the pension commissions had stayed the course. So we will be submitting another installment consistent with the dollar cost averaging approach for the end of August. The second from the investment under the dollar cost averaging approach. we put \$500,000 in arose this year into the pensions. Our cash position at this point is basically the same as it was last year, even though we put the 500,000 in already as part of our commitment. Typically, we would pay \$400,000 in September early October, which would be a pass through from the state's funding to us. That's required to be remitted within 30 days. And then historically the City's portion of approximately a million dollars would go out in December just before the deadline. In this case, as mentioned we're we have \$500,000 of our commitment paid, and the plan is to put \$250,000 in at the end of August, and then only require about \$250,000 in December. That is the plan. It follows a fundamental tenant of investment by dollar cost averaging.

The cashflow is doing really well this year. The tax receipts are tracking nicely. So far, we have not seen a significant impact from COVID on our primary taxing receipts, as everyone is aware, the council's decision to have the face period extended through July 31st has ended so effective August 1st, the penalty phase will be in effect for taxes and licenses. We also in August will be repaying. Anybody who accidentally paid penalties in July or prior, so far, there's nine possibly 10 individuals that we will be remitting money to. It's roughly a \$100 to \$150. The 2019 delinquent solid waste that the City has been collecting, was not turned over immediately to Portnoff. The good news is that there's roughly 131 owners took advantage of paying the City directly. It was an extensive amount of labor-intensive work on the City's part, but the good news is it saved homeowners probably about \$6,000 that they didn't have to pay by taking advantage of that. Unfortunately, there's still about 230 delinquent solid waste payments due from 2019 of that 230, 30 of them are dumpster corporate

commercial scenarios of \$25. We have to, as a City figure out a way to do those cost-effectively, but yet collect the funds that are due. The other 200 would be turned over to Portnoff to pursue the standard seven step process of which, as to recall the process, the first step is that there'll be a friendly reminder sent to those that qualify, they will get the \$45 fee which get added to their amounts due by not taking advantage of paying the City directly. About two thirds of the remaining unpaid already have accounts with Portnoff. So, it's a continuation of their existing status, generally speaking. Portnoff would now be ramping up again on their efforts to pursue collections on the City's behalf. We are encouraging all residents to make or keep payment plans, so it will keep the legal fees from accumulating.

The City received a little over \$4,000 from their workers, from their unemployment compensation as a dividend refund, based on their experience. We get one annually and it came through as expected. Here is a little bit of explanation about the uniforms and the police uniform. The clothing and uniform allowance, and how it works. In summary, we budgeted \$35,000. We've incurred a little over 30,000 and the remaining \$4,000 favorable, the department believes that they'll be able to stay within budget for the year for the uniforms for the clothing. The uniform and allowance component of the budget in the police department is comprised basically two major components. The first is a uniform allowance that is contractually. The contract basically is \$530 for the officer and \$1,000 for a detective or administrator and the police department, that's paid in January and it's essentially those amounts times number of off full-time officers that qualify. And that's the first component. The second component is the City has historically agreed by contract to provide full uniforms or, or shirts or pants to individuals as needed.

Chief Laufer explained under the, under the old way that we were handling it, that was a carry over into next year. So, if the officers theoretically saved it's \$500, the officers next year would have \$1000 because they could carry over what they didn't spend in 2020 into 2021. So therefore, they would have a balance of \$1,000 to spend in 2021. The officer's pay for out of their own pocket (clothing allowance) for batteries, flashlights, gloves, handcuffs, dry cleaning and all the incidental things that the City does not provide, you know, that they use everyday clipboards, you know, citation pads, you know, just different things. You also have to supply that a briefcase for their patrol, you know, to carry their stuff on patrol, all things that are not supplied by the City come out of that uniform allowance. The uniform allowance is in their contract.

Early the money. Apparently, the money is taxed now that they get it up front it's taxed as, as income. So, I don't think you could require them to produce a receipt for anything because they're being taxed on that money. But if we go back, they used to get \$750 per officer, and they would spend \$750 whether they needed the equipment or not, the history shows that they, they would show that they would spend it turn into receipts. And we spent \$750 per police officer one average. Now with the new contract, we gave it to them upfront and said, you're only getting \$500. So typically, we saved about \$250 per officer.

Citizens Hearings Non-Agenda Items Only (3 Minutes)

There were no citizens comments on non-agenda items at this time.

Mr. Folks made a motion to close citizens hearings on non-agenda items only; Ms. Graves seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Special Events

1. Receive and consider F.I.S.H Rodeo event on October 9, 2020 to October 12, 2020 at the Riverwalk

Mr. Folks made a motion to approve the F.I.S.H Rodeo event on October 9, 2020 to October 12, 2020 at the Riverwalk; President Lavender-Norris seconded the motion. No vote was taken at this time.

Due to the Covid at this time, Council asked to readdress the Rodeo in September as requirements may change. The City has cancelled their events and have not approved other special events due to the Pandemic.

Council Comments

Vice President Green thanked everyone for tuning in. I didn't make any comments, regarding Mr. Trio, but I do appreciate his service and I'm just grateful for the time that we had him here. Make sure that everybody's aware and stays on top of the census. Thank you all for coming out.

Ms. Al Amin thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight. All of those that come in on the YouTube and Laurie Shannon Bailey and Wendy Whitaker. I'm glad that people are starting to comment again because we haven't had that for a long time since we've been on Zoom. I too would like to thank Mr. Trio for his service to the city. I'd like to welcome Mr. Logan as acting city manager. I'm sure you'll do a great job as you served us very well as assistant city manager. So, I look forward to you. I just want to say I'm really, really happy, council president to hear your wonderful news tonight. That that is really, really great news and I will continue to pray for you. And, I hope that moving forward all goes well with you and with your health. And I just look forward to continuing to move the city forward and, addressing certain areas that, you know, we need to get better at. And I'm working on this budget to hopefully get some other areas addressed that we need to address. And, I hope everybody has a great night. Thanks.

Mrs. Hunt thanked everyone for joining in with us tonight. I want to also to acknowledge Mr. Trio, thank you for the service that he has given to us, to the city, as well as I want to acknowledge Mr. Logan, and thank you for the job that you've done in a job that you're doing to help keep the city together. I just kind of want to say again, I'm so, so happy with the news that we received today, and I just thank God for his healing he has done in your life. I want to just put a little shout out that on September 19th, we're going to do a citywide voter registration for those persons that may not be registered to vote or, just drop by and make sure that their addresses are correct that their polling plate is correct. Obviously, that will be going on throughout the city. It's not any formal gatherings and all of that. It's just going to be different little tents set up so people could come up and vote everyone. So not, not party specific as or everyone. Anyone that's not registered to both, your voice needs to be heard and they can verify the power of your pen. So, again, I just thank the staff for all the things you have done, all that they're doing, and everybody continue to be safe, wear your mask, practicing social distancing so that we can get this thing under control. Thank you. Have a good evening.

Ms. Graves thanked everyone for tuning in and listening on YouTube and on Facebook and wherever else that we posted. Thank you to everybody who is watching this as well. I do want to say welcome Mr. Logan as acting city manager, I look forward to continuing to work with you on building up Coatesville to be the city that it, it ought to be. So, thank you everybody and good night.

Mr. Folks thanked everyone for tuning in. City of Coatesville, there are a lot of shout outs, there was a ribbon cutting. The City is moving forward. Shout out to, Wendy Whitaker, she goes, sets up a little tent and she goes out there, she's everywhere trying to get people to register, to vote. So, a

shout out to her for doing that. Mr. Trio, I just want to say thank you. I hope you come back for the Grand Prix and, be involved with that and to our residents, keep up the good work. I see a lot of people out on their front porches, a lot of people are planting flowers, a lot of people are cutting their grass. And I, like that. even though we have a lot of work to do in this city to clean it up, one day at a time. Wear your masks, stay safe, wash your hands, it's going to be all right. Thank you. Good night.

Mr. Simpson thanked everybody for tuning in live on YouTube. It was a pretty good meeting. I'd like to, there was recently a post on the Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix where they announced that we decided that we weren't going to have the Grand Prix this year. They took it, in fact, as saying that we weren't going to have the Grand Prix anymore. I contacted them right away, said no, that's not true. We are still having the Grand Prix next year in 2021. And for anybody that saw that post on Facebook, we don't want you to be confused. We are going to come back with the Grand Prix and, hopefully bigger and better than, you know, we've gotten better and better each year. So again, thank you everybody for coming out. And, we'll talk to you later.

President Lavender-Norris mentioned she has a preliminary, or should she say unofficial request or a letter of recognition for a Centurion at Tabernacle Baptist church? I think it's Mrs. Eggleston. If I'm not mistaking, she'll be turning 100 and they're going to do a drive by, to celebrate her as a centurion in the city. The request came from, the secretary of Tabernacle who is Mrs. Pam Depte. And I did inform her that I would bring it to council's attention and I also needed something in writing before I put it on the agenda as a formal request. So that will be coming forward. I too would like to take the opportunity once again to say thank you to Mr. Trio. and thank you to Mr. Logan. Okay. I'm just excited about the direction the city is moving in. I'm grateful to you because we know what you bring to the table. You showed us, you know, the difference you can make for our community, and I appreciate that. Chief, thank you for your hard work and the way you're conducting your department speaks volumes and it opens the door to the skeptical people that are under the impression that the city is a horrible place. As we work together, it's very prevalent that the city is not a horrible place. And I encourage anybody that had that thought or heard that before come to the city, see for yourself, experience us, our residents, our businesses we're here, we live here. We want you to understand that our city means the world to us and we share, we care. And to our staff, thank you so much, Rich your financial abilities, as broad as around, Thank you for that. We're moving forward and it's by the grace of God. So, I being a woman of faith, I have to say, I thank God for our positioning and I give him all the glory for it. We just have to stay at it. We have work to do. And, with the willingness and the ability it'll get done, the City of Coatesville is rising and moving forward. So, to all, thank you so much for coming out, being a part of the zoom meeting or the YouTube meeting. Thank you for showing your interest. Please, any questions, any concerns, feel free to email them to the city or post them on your prospective, website pages that you're on and we'll get back to you. We will read them publicly in our next public meeting. They may be addressed as they come in and we could just make, mention, however, don't give up, please reach out to us because we need to know what you desire, what you want for the city. Please sign up, get your voter registration, and please fill out your census. They're vital. We have to have these taken care of in order to continue moving forward. So, thank you again. God bless be safe. And can I get a motion for adjournment? I make that motion.

Adjournment

Ms. Al Amin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 pm; Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.