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AGENDA October 3, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Resolutions approved / Bills approved

CALL TO ORDER: President Helfrich called the October 3, 2017 general public comment session to order at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, 101 S. George St., York, PA, with the following members present: Judy A. Ritter-Dickson, Renee S. Nelson, and Michael Ray Helfrich, President, with President Helfrich presiding.

Members of the Administration in attendance included: Michael Doweary, Business Administration; and Jason Sabol, Assistant Solicitor.

Members of York City Council staff in attendance included: Dianna L. Thompson-Mitchell, City Clerk.

I. Public Comment: 6:30 p.m.

Franklin Williams, resident, stated that he doesn't understand the justification for having a "No Left Turn" sign posted at the intersection of Carlisle & Florida Ave. preventing cars from turning off of Carlisle Ave. onto Florida Ave. He said he would like this directive reexamined. He also discussed illegal, long term parking in front of the fire hydrant across from his house, which sometimes includes overnight parking. He suggested painting a big red "F" in front of the fire hydrant to hopefully deter illegal parking in front of it.

There being no further public comment, President Helfrich adjourned the public comment session at 6:38 p.m. and immediately called to order Council's legislative session.

- II. Called Legislative Meeting to Order: 6:38 p.m.
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance recited.
- V. Moment of Silence observed.
- VI. Action on previous meeting Minutes of <u>September 19, 2017</u>: Council dispensed with the reading of the Minutes of September 19, 2017 and unanimously approved them as written.
- VII. Presentations, Proclamations, Awards and Announcements

Vice President Nixon read a proclamation declaring October 10, 2017 as "Rise of the Rest" Day in the City of York.

VII. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

- Next Council Meeting Council has not received items for consideration of passage at its October 17, 2017 meeting. If no pressing items are received, the October 17th meeting will be canceled and notification of said cancelation will be sent via press release. This will mean that the next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers (general public comment begins at 6:30 pm). (Note: In observance of the Tuesday, November 7th General Election, Council has scheduled its first meeting in November for Wednesday, November 8th.)
- Council Committee Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Council will discussed items for its November legislative meetings. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on Wednesday, October 18, 2017.
- IX. Status of Prior Committee Referrals: No reports.
- X. Legislative Agenda: (Order of Business Action on Subdivision/Land Development & HARB Resolutions; Final Passage of Bills/Resolutions; New Business.)

Subdivision / Land Development / HARB

NONE

Final Passage of Bills / Resolutions

1. Final Passage of **Bill No. 27, Ordinance No. 25**

- A Bill

Amending the 2017 Budget. (\$11,859.00 for a Tuberculosis Grant) (View)

Introduced by: Henry Hay Nixon

Originator: Economic & Community Development (Health)

(Note: Bill No. 27 was tabled at Council's 9/19/17 meeting because four Council members were required to pass said legislation and only three members were present.)

Final Passage of Bill No. 27, Ordinance No. 25, Session 2017, A Bill amending the 2017 Budget in the amount of \$11,859.00 for subsequent funding received from the State for a tuberculosis grant, which was introduced by Nixon at the September 5, 2017 meeting of Council, read by short title and tabled at the September 19, 2017 meeting of Council, came up for final passage.

Motion to remove from the table: A motion was made by Nixon, seconded by Walker, to remove Bill No. 27 from the table for consideration of final passage. The motion PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon, Nelson, Helfrich – 5; Nays – 0.

There being no discussion, Bill No. 27, Ordinance No. 25, PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon, Nelson, Helfrich – 5; Nays – 0.

New Business

2. Resolution No. **94**

- A Resolution

Approving the York City Civil Service Board Police Eligibility List for appointment of probationary

police officers. (<u>View</u>)

Introduced by: Sandie Walker

Originator: Police

Resolution No. 94, Session 2017, A Resolution approving the York City Civil Service Board Eligibility List certifying 53 individuals for consideration of appointment as probationary police officers, was introduced by Walker, read at length, and on motion of Walker, seconded by Nixon, Resolution No. 94 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon, Nelson, Helfrich – 5; Nays – 0.

3. Resolution No. **95**

- A Resolution

Appointing eight probationary police officers. (R. Abram, R. Sutherland, P. Fouad, B. Inkrote, S. Wilson, C. Chivers, J. McCullough, & L. Hess) (View)

Introduced by: Sandie Walker

Originator: Police

Resolution No. 95, Session 2017, A Resolution appointing the following individuals as probationary police officers: Robert Abram, Robert P. Sutherland, Peter Fouad, Brittany Inkrote, Shawn Wilson, Corey Chivers, James McCullough, and Logan E. Hess and in the event that any of those eight shall become disqualified, the same offer will be made to standby candidates Terry Reifsnyder, Logan T. Waiselewski, Alexander Bertolasio, or Matthew Fisher. The Resolution was introduced by Walker, read at length, and on motion of Walker, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, Resolution No. 95 came up for discussion.

President Helfrich asked if it is a requirement that candidates be able to speak Spanish.

Councilwoman Walker, liaison to the Police Department, said candidates might receive extra points on their scores but it's not a requirement that they be bilingual.

President Helfrich asked if we are bringing these candidates in as a result of retirement or is there an overlap in hiring.

Administrator Doweary said there is an overlap and that we are filling some retired and/or reassigned officers.

Franklin Williams, resident, took issue with the fact that no one from the police department was in attendance to speak on this resolution tonight and said it would be nice to have the appointees in attendance as well so we can meet them.

President Helfrich said he agrees that someone from the Police Department should be here when appointing officers.

Councilwoman Walker said if any Council member wanted someone from the Police Department present this evening, they should have notified her as the liaison and she would have invited a representative to attend.

There being no further discussion, Resolution No. 95 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon, Nelson, Helfrich – 5; Nays – 0.

- XI. Requests for Future Meetings: None
- XII. Council Comment: None
- XIII. Administration Comment: None
- XIV. Adjournment: Council has not received items for consideration of passage at its October 17, 2017 meeting. If no pressing items are received, the October 17th meeting will be canceled and notification of said cancelation will be sent via press release. This will mean that the next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers (general public comment begins at 6:30 pm). (Note: In observance of the Tuesday, November 7th General Election, Council has scheduled its first meeting in November for Wednesday, November 8th.). There being no further business, the October 3, 2017 meeting of Council adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

XV. Resumption of Public Comment Period (at the discretion of the presiding officer): None

Dianna L. Thompson-Mitchell, City Clerk

Michael Ray Helfrich, President of Council