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Minutes November 20, 2018 6:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER: President Nixon called the November 20, 2018 general public comment session to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 101 S. George St., York, PA, with the following members present: Edquina Washington, Judy A. Ritter-Dickson, Sandie Walker, Vice President, and Henry Hay Nixon, President, with President Nixon presiding.

Members of the Administration in attendance included: Michael R. Helfrich, Mayor; Tommy Williams, Acting Business Administrator; and Don Hoyt, Assistant Solicitor.

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

I. Public Comment: 6:00 p.m.

Joe Stein, Chairman of Bring on Play (BOP), said a few weeks ago they completed renovation of Little Jimmy's Park. He said there was no cost to city residents and that all money used to renovate the park was given through contributions. He briefly outlined the renovations made to the park. He said this is the 7th playground that BOP has renovated. The 2019 playground renovation project will be to Girard Park. For more information on BOP, please email bop@yorkcity.org.

Clayton Shenk, resident, said they had 100 volunteers participate in their Trash-a-Thon fundraising project and they picked up 22.9 tons of trash and raised almost \$18,000 for their school renovation project.

There being no further comment, President Nixon adjourned the public comment session at 6:09 p.m. and immediately convened in legislative session.

II. Called Legislative Meeting to Order: 6:09 p.m.

III. Roll Call

IV. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

V. Moment of Silence observed.

VI. Action on previous meeting Minutes of November 7, 2018: Council dispensed with the reading of the Minutes and unanimously approved them as written.

VII. Presentations, Proclamations, Awards and Announcements: None

VIII. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

- **Council Committee Meeting:** Scheduled for **Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on November 21st. (Note: Council will look to discuss the 2019 Proposed York City Budget as well as other budget related items.)

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.)

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

A motion was made by Walker, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, to waive the provisions of Resolution No. 215 of Session 1969 to allow consideration of a supplemental agenda containing two Bills. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Introduction of **Bill No. 20** (Will be on the 12/4/18 or 12/18/18 agenda) - A Bill
Adopting the 2019 York City Budget. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Henry Hay Nixon
Originator: Mayor | Business Administration (Finance)

Introduction of Bill No. 20, Session 2018, A Bill adopting the 2019 York City Budget was introduced by Nixon, read by short title, and deferred to a future meeting of Council.

2. Introduction of **Bill No. 21** (Will be on the 12/4/18 or 12/18/18 agenda) - A Bill
Approving the 2019 Tax Rate. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Henry Hay Nixon
Originator: Mayor | Business Administration (Finance)

Introduction of Bill No. 21, Session 2018, A Bill adopting the 2019 York City tax rate was introduced by Nixon, read by short title and deferred to a future meeting of Council.

REGULAR AGENDA

Subdivision / Land Development / HARB

3. Resolution No. **92** - A Resolution
Accepting the recommendations of HARB. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Sandie Walker
Originator: HARB

Resolution No. 92, Session 2018, A Resolution accepting the recommendations of HARB in issuing certificates of appropriateness for work to be covered in the applications filed by Mel Hecker for work to be done at 253 W. Philadelphia St., and Janie Busch for work to be done at 34 N. George St., was introduced by Walker, read at length, and on motion of Walker, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, Resolution No. 92 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

4. Resolution No. **93** - A Resolution
Approving the final reverse subdivision plan submitted by Summit Holdings, LLC. (lot consolidation at 905 Vogelsong Rd.) ([View](#))
Introduced by: Judy A. Ritter-Dickson
Originator: Economic & Community Development (PP&Z)

Resolution No. 93, Session 2018, A Resolution approving the final reverse subdivision plan submitted by Summit Holdings, LLC, for the reverse subdivision/lot consolidation at 905 Vogelsong Rd. to join parcels

15U and 15S (along Borom Rd.), was introduced by Ritter-Dickson, read at length, and on motion of Ritter-Dickson, seconded by Washington, Resolution No. 93 came up for discussion.

President Nixon said that Council has asked the Administration to provide Council with information on conditions set forth in the plans and whether those conditions have been met prior to Council considering final passage. However, it appears that request has not been satisfied. As the Mayor was in attendance, President Nixon asked that this message be relayed to the appropriate staff so that Council has this information next time a plan comes before us for approval.

Lee Webb, Site Design Concepts, said the condition was simply to get signatures on the plan, which has been done and delivered to the city last week. He said all comments by the city engineer and the York County Planning Commission have been addressed.

There being no further discussion, Resolution No. 93 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

Final Passage of Bills / Resolutions

5. Final Passage of **Bill No. 17, Ordinance No. 14** – A Bill
Amending the 2018 Budget. (\$17,500 for painting at Voni Grimes Gym). ([View](#))
Introduced by: Sandie Walker
Originator: Public Works

Final Passage of Bill No. 17, Ordinance No. 14, Session 2018, A Bill amending the 2018 Budget in the amount of \$17,500.00 for reimbursement from CDBG funding for painting at the Voni B. Grimes Gym, which was introduced by Walker at the November 7 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Walker, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, Bill No. 17, Ordinance No. 14, PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

6. Final Passage of **Bill No. 18, Ordinance No. 15** – A Bill
Amending the 2018 HOME Investment Partnerships Program budgets. (\$75,000 for York Habitat; \$26,144 for York Area Housing Group) ([View](#))
Introduced by: Judy A. Ritter-Dickson
Originator: Economic & Community Development (BHS)

Final Passage of Bill No. 18, Ordinance No. 15, Session 2018, A Bill amending the 2018 HOME Investment Partnerships Program budgets in the amount of \$75,000 for York Habitat and \$26,144 for York Area Housing Group, which was introduced by Ritter-Dickson at the November 7 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Ritter-Dickson, seconded by Walker, Bill No. 18, Ordinance No. 15, PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

7. Final Passage of **Bill No. 19, Ordinance No. 16** – A Bill
Amending Article 509 “Parking Meters.” (To correct reference to specific section numbers resulting from previous amendments) ([View](#))
Introduced by: Sandie Walker
Originator: City Clerk

Final Passage of Bill No. 19, Ordinance No. 16, Session 2018, A Bill amending Article 509 “Parking Meters,” subsection 509.99 “Penalty” to correct reference to specific section numbers resulting from amendments made through adoption of Ordinance No. 10 of 2018, which was introduced by Walker at the November 7 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Walker, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, Bill No. 19, Ordinance No. 16, PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

New Business

8. **Resolution No. 94** _____ - A Resolution Amending the 2016/2017 Annual Action Plans. (\$75,000 for York Habitat; \$26,144 for York Area Housing Group) ([View](#))
Introduced by: Judy A. Ritter-Dickson
Originator: Economic & Community Development (BHS)

Resolution No. 94, Session 2018, A Resolution amending the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plans in the amount of \$75,000 for York Habitat and \$26,144 for the York Area Housing Group, was introduced by Ritter-Dickson, read at length, and on motion of Ritter-Dickson, seconded by Walker, Resolution No. 94 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

9. **Resolution No. 95** _____ - A Resolution Appointing Dawn M. Wright to the York City Human Relations Commission. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Mayor

Resolution No. 95, Session 2018, A Resolution appointing Dawn Wright as a member of the York City Human Relations Commission to fill the unexpired term of Clair Anderson, which term shall expire July 16, 2019, was introduced by Washington, read at length, and on motion of Washington, seconded by Ritter-Dickson, Resolution No. 95 PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Washington, Ritter-Dickson, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

XI. Requests for Future Meetings: None

XII. Council Comment:

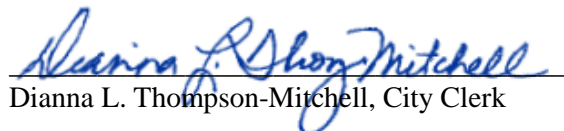
President Nixon wished all residents of York City and York County a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

XIII. Administration Comment:

Mayor Helfrich echoed President Nixon’s comments for a happy and safe Thanksgiving. He then applauded the Rising Stars awards ceremony hosted by Crispus Attucks and thanked them for recognizing our outstanding youth.

XIV. Adjournment: The next legislative meeting of Council is scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. There being no further business, the November 20, 2018 meeting of Council adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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


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