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Daphne Parrish, City Clerk

SHARON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Held in Council Chambers
Wednesday, November 29, 2023

CALL TO ORDER AT 6:19 PM
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Council:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President Bundrant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Koerth
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Sizer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Galaska
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. James	

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Fiscus, City Manager	<u>News Media:</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney Madden, City Solicitor	<input type="checkbox"/> The Herald
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daphne Parrish, City Clerk	

Department Heads:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Tomko, Finance Director
<input type="checkbox"/> Edward Stabile, Chief of Police
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Tomko, Director of Code Enforcement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Settle, Public Works Director

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ORDINANCES

MOTION that Ordinance #14-23 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, appropriating specific sums estimated to be \$10,721,681 required for the specific purposes of City Government, hereinafter set forth, during the fiscal year 2024." **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

Motion: <u>Mr. Koerth</u>	Second: <u>Mr. James</u>
Vote: <u>YES Mr. Koerth</u>	<u>YES Mr. James</u>
<u>YES Mr. Sizer</u>	<u>YES Mrs. Bundrant</u>
<u>YES Mr. Galaska</u>	

MOTION that Ordinance #15-23 entitled "An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, fixing the tax rate for the Fiscal Year 2024 for general city purposes, the sum of 29.51 Mills on each dollar of assessed valuation." **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

Motion: <u>Mr. James</u>	Second: <u>Mr. Sizer</u>
Vote: <u>YES Mr. James</u>	<u>YES Mr. Galaska</u>
<u>YES Mr. Koerth</u>	<u>YES Mrs. Bundrant</u>
<u>YES Mr. Sizer</u>	

COMMENTS

NEWS MEDIA: None.

CITIZENS:

Dave McLaren, 1113 Haig Street; Mr. McLaren asked why the road between the Library and Laskey's warehouse was made one-lane. Mr. Settle said the City would like to return the road to two-way traffic. Before doing so, this change will put travelers in the practice of just using one lane. Mr. McLaren asked if the part down below would remain one-way. Mr. Settle said yes. Mrs. Bundrant said travelers will be able to turn left off Sharpsville Avenue to access the parking garage, providing parking for the businesses there. Mr. Fiscus said this will also improve safety as it is somewhat blind there with the proximity of the building; hopefully PennDOT will agree to allow it to be two-way until Railroad Street.

MR. FISCUS: None.

MR. JAMES: Mr. James said his time on Council will soon be coming to an end. He told Mr. Fiscus he has made budget easier every year. He has done a phenomenal job and thanked him for all he has done. He thanked him for hiring Jason Tomko, as he is exceptional at what he does. These two gentlemen have created something good for the City. Mr. Fiscus thanked him and echoed what he said. It is a team effort, and a lot falls on the Finance Department. Mr. Fiscus said this all could not be done without the support of Council.

MR. SIZER: None.

MR. KOERTH: Mr. Koerth said a few citizens complimented the City on how nice the Downtown looks at Christmas time.

Mr. Koerth asked if Grimm's Awning is on a list for demolition. Mr. James said the property is still owned by the family and they are trying to sell it. Mr. Fiscus said when he last investigated the property, it was in foreclosure and becoming somewhat of a zombie property.

MR. GALASKA: None.

MRS. BUNDRANT: Mrs. Bundrant echoed Mr. James comments and thanked the department heads and Mr. Fiscus. She thanked everyone for getting the job done, making Council look good, and not raising taxes.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM