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SHARON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER AT 5:30 PM
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Council:

 President Bundrant - Excused
✓ Mr. Sizer
✓ Mr. Koerth

✓ Mr. Galaska
 Ms. Heard - Excused

✓ Robert Fiscus, City Manager
✓ Attorney Brett Stedman, City Solicitor
✓ Daphne Parrish, City Clerk

News Media:
✓ The Herald

Department Heads:

✓ Jason Tomko, Finance Director
✓ Edward Stabile, Chief of Police
 John Lenkey, Director of Code Enforcement
 Mark Settle, Public Works Director

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

- Boards & Commissions – Mr. Fiscus said three letters have been received requesting appointments to Boards and Commissions:
 - Sharon Redevelopment Authority – Nick Baron
 - Sharon Planning Commission – Greg Fertig and Sara McCauley

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

No comments or questions.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCES

Public Hearing for Ordinance #02-25, introduced March 19, 2025 – SECOND AND FINAL READING, amending the Code of the City of Sharon pertaining to its police employees’ pension plan

No comments or questions.

ORDINANCES

MOTION that Ordinance #02-25 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, amending the Code of the City of Sharon pertaining to its police employees’ pension plan to reflect changes that have been collectively bargained” **Pass FINAL reading by title.**

Motion: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Mr. Sizer
YES Mr. Galaska
 Ms. Heard

Second: Mr. Galaska
YES Mr. Koerth
 Mrs. Bundrant

MOTION that Ordinance #03-25 entitled “An ORDINANCE of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, regulating the placement of dumpsters or other receptacles for the disposal of garbage or other materials on City streets; requiring a permit for the placement of said receptacles on City Streets; and imposing penalties for violations” **Pass FIRST reading by title.**

Motion: Mr. Galaska
Vote: YES Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Sizer
 YES Mr. Galaska

Second: Mr. Koerth
 Ms. Heard
 Mrs. Bundrant

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION that Resolution #23-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, amending the Schedule of Fees for those certain costs incurred by the City” **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Koerth
Vote: Ms. Heard
 YES Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Sizer

Second: Mr. Galaska
 YES Mr. Galaska
 Mrs. Bundrant

MOTION that Resolution #24-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to approve Change Order GC-2 to the Sharon City Municipal Building Roof Replacement Project; total decrease to the contract with Change Order GC-2 not to exceed \$15,000” **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Mr. Galaska
 Ms. Heard
 YES Mr. Koerth

Second: Mr. Galaska
 YES Mr. Sizer
 Mrs. Bundrant

MOTION that Resolution #25-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing the proper City Officials to apply for a PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant of \$500,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Storm Sewer System repairs” **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Galaska
Vote: YES Mr. Sizer
 YES Mr. Galaska
 Ms. Heard

Second: Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Koerth
 Mrs. Bundrant

MOTION that Resolution #26-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, approving the City of Sharon’s PY 2025-2029 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice” **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Koerth
Vote: YES Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Sizer
 YES Mr. Galaska

Second: Mr. Galaska
 Ms. Heard
 Mrs. Bundrant

MOTION that Resolution #29-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, expressing support for participation along with the Sharon Redevelopment Authority, in the Make My Move Program, to attract remote workers and encourage economic development. Maximum allocation from the City of Sharon not to exceed \$20,000” **be adopted.**

Motion: Mr. Galaska
Vote: Ms. Heard
 YES Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Sizer

Second: Mr. Koerth
 YES Mr. Galaska
 Mrs. Bundrant

CONSENT AGENDA

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED BY CITY COUNCIL TO BE ROUTINE CITY BUSINESS AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION AND ONE ROLL CALL VOTE. ANY COUNCIL MEMBER, CITY OFFICIAL OR CITIZEN WISHING CLARIFICATION OF AN ITEM MAY ASK A QUESTION BY RAISING THEIR HAND AND IDENTIFYING THE ITEM BEFORE ADOPTION OF THE ITEM.

MOTION that Resolution #27-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing, in accordance with Section 915 of the Home Rule Charter, The City Manager and Financial Officer to pay bills on attached Schedule “A” **be adopted**.

MOTION that Resolution #28-25 entitled “A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Sharon, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, authorizing appointments for certain Committees, Boards and Commissions” **be adopted**.

- Shenango Valley Enterprise Zone Corporation
 - David Stabile
- Sharon Redevelopment Authority
 - Nick Baron
- Sharon Planning Commission
 - Greg Fertig
 - Sara McCauley

MOTION approving minutes from the March 19, 2025, Council Meeting” **be adopted**.

Motion: **Mr. Koerth**

Vote: **YES** Mr. Sizer

YES Mr. Galaska

Ms. Heard

Second: **Mr. Galaska**

YES Mr. Koerth

Mrs. Bundrant

COMMENTS

CITY MANAGER: None

NEWS MEDIA: None

MR. SIZER: None

MR. KOERTH: None

MR. GALASKA: None

MS. HEARD:

MRS. BUNDRANT:

CITIZENS:

- William Elliott, 337 Malleable Street; Mr. Elliott said Code Enforcement and NOOP are attempting to condemn his home and asking him to clean his yard. He said the NOOP Ordinance does not apply to him, as he is the legal owner of the home; it is still in his mother’s name, he inherited it. He is the executor of her estate, which makes him the owner. If they keep coming after that, they are going to have problems. In regard to the condition of the yard, no one here would live where he lives. He has had urination/defecation in his backyard, dogs running loose killing his cats, people shooting heroine, robberies, smoking crack and weed, drinking, littering, and sex acts for money. He has tolerated more than anybody should have. The Mesabi Street housing projects are in his backyard. A trail ran through his yard many years ago until the mid-80s when he ran them off of his yard. The trail moved to the adjoining property, which is a private property. Many years ago, he was told by someone from the Housing Authority that they could put a brick wall around their property to shut it down. What ended up resulting was a gate was put in to access the trail when the fence was repaired. Mr. Elliott has threatened to sue

the City and Housing Authority many times over the years; this is the first time the City has come after him. He began keeping things in the yard, in order to keep people out of the yard, which makes him feel safer. Mr. Elliott said the paperwork states there are conditions inside the home making it condemnable. From the outside the house is structurally sound and things are repairable. If Code Enforcement walked past his NO Trespassing Signs, unlocked his door, and entered his home without his knowledge or consent, it would be on. If he is pushed to court, he will have a transcriptionist, it all will be recorded, and he will subpoena City employees and put them under oath. His home cannot be condemned, and he cannot be thrown out of his home, as it violates Community Development Block Grants. They have to have a place for him to go. Mr. Sizer thanked Mr. Elliott.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM