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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 18, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

1. Invocation: Julio Guridy

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Roll Call: Davis, Eichenwald, Guridy, Mota, O'Connell, Schlossberg, Schweyer

4. Courtesy of the Floor

Mr. Lou Hershman, 405 N. Gilmore Street, stated on the sale of the water and sewer plant, the reason he wants to know if you have a better handle on the amount of wage tax that we collect .35 percent because what he read in the Morning Call you would estimate getting \$100 million out of this lease or sale of the water and sewer plant, but if you take the wage tax and you multiply for ten or twelve years that might equal the amount of money you would get for the lease of the water and sewer plant. Why would you give up control of something that you could control now or something you can pay off in ten or twelve years? Why get rid of the .35 percent when you can keep the system. The bridge over Lehigh and the 15th Street Bridge are going to nonunion contractors and that equals \$120 million and we have people unemployed and we have one of the highest unemployment rates in the Lehigh Valley. We hear about the high foreclosures in the Lehigh Valley. We have to put the people to work in the Lehigh Valley. He thinks Council should consider a Resolution for State Legislatures that they consider hiring local laborers instead of bringing labor in from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Schlossberg stated to Mr. Hershman on his first point he is certainly correct that the .35 percent income generated over a period of ten to 15 years would probably equal the amount of money that we would get for the sale of the water and sewer system, but that is not even so much the perspective of the lease of the water and sewer may be about. He is not sitting advocating for the sale, like his colleagues he is still learning more about it. If we proceed with the sale, it is not even for the income that would generate, but the expense it would remove on the books. Our MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) is \$15 million and in three years it would be between \$23 - \$25 million and while keeping that tax would generate money, the prospective lease of these utilities would probably knock that MMO in the \$5 or \$6 million range. The only way he would support the lease/concession is not about the income that it brings in, it is the expense that would be removed from our books.

Mr. Hershman stated that he agrees with Mr. Schlossberg, but they should do a study on the .35 percent. You are saying a \$20 million MMO and you are projecting how many years down the road for the projected MMO.

Mr. Schlossberg stated not 20 years, 25 at the max. Fair question at least a decade and he is guessing. He could be wrong.

Mr. Hershman stated it could be less.

Mr. Guridy stated that it could be more.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that it could be more and more likely to be more.

Mr. Guridy stated one point in regards to the MMO, remember and he thinks the mayor put it right this morning and think about paying the minimum amount on your credit card. The principle you are not touching. You are only paying the MMO and that is going to continue to increase. There was a figure on how many people actually are going to retire and how many people are paying for their pensions and the retirees are actually higher than the people that are paying for the pensions.

Mr. Hershman stated that he and Mr. Guridy looked at a way to look at these pensions and he hopes he considers what they discussed in the back and maybe could be changes.

Mr. Guridy stated that they could look at that. It won't be a significant change.

Mr. Hershman stated \$10,000, some payments.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that another thing Mr. Hershman said is such great worth about the hiring of local labor. She thinks it is not only about this particular bridge contract, but it has everything having to be built with this arena project, and to her local is Allentown. She does not know Ms. Fruhwirth what the policy is about putting out a resolution or policy in the hiring of local labor, is that restrictive of the labor force. She is not expecting an answer right now, if you don't have it. This is with such great import that with all the construction projects about to take place if we hire local labor, we keep the wage tax. All of this was about our local economy and it would be devastating if all this went up and people everywhere else benefitted from the employment opportunities.

Mr. Fruhwirth stated that she can certainly look into that.

Ms. Eichenwald asked what right the City Council has because in a way a lot of this is private bidding as well as government bidding. What right do we have to ask for local and local meaning city? Often we are told it's Lehigh Valley which is fine, but from her perspective, local is Allentown.

Mr. O'Connell stated just to follow-up on what Ms. Eichenwald is saying, where are we with the bill that says we are going to give the city residents an extra five percent or ten percent. Where are we with that? Has that bill been crafted?

Mr. Hanlon stated that it was discussed at the last Budget and Finance meeting.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that he was going to mention that in his report. They did discuss it and Mr. Hanlon has to give him guidance to make sure that he gets this correct. When we had the conversation and Ms. Koval is here as well. It basically revolved around a limit to how much of a boost a local contractor can give and there were only one or two cases where the prospect on moving it would make a difference because of the threshold on how much a local bidder can and he asked Ms. Koval for her assistance.

Ms. Mary Ellen Koval stated that right now they are at five percent, but that does not include construction contracts and it doesn't include anything over \$2500. It is very limited in that sense. The average, and when Council do enact these is five percent. You might want to look at changing the \$2500 limit. You might want to look at the construction contracts. The contracts that you are talking about for the bridges, those bids were issued and awarded by PennDot. We did not have any control locally over making that award. Something you have to take to the state if you want local labor involved in their bidding process.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that she still would like to have the legal.

Ms. Koval stated absolutely. The process is written in to the ordinance that we have under contracts, if you want to check that language.

Mr. Guridy stated that the contract for the arena has been awarded to Butz and Butz is a union contractor. He is a local guy that's right downtown and doing local development himself and hopefully that will boost our economy a little bit as well.

Mr. Dennis Pearson, East Allentown, asked has the bids for construction activities on Hanover Avenue been given and granted. If yes, when will the work start?

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that the first time the project bids came in they were all over the budget they had for it. They changed the scope of the project and then they are putting out for bid again. It will be done shortly, but they had to change the scope.

Mr. Schweyer stated when you say it would be done shortly.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that the bids will be back soon.

Mr. Schlossberg asked how long ago they were sent out. It was a couple of months, at least.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated a little over a month ago, but he stated that they had to go back through it and see what they could change the scope of and get it into the amount of money they have.

Mr. Guridy asked if they had to decrease the scope or increase the scope work.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that they had to decrease some and make some changes as far as some of the bump outs. All the major bump outs are going to be there. Some of the bump outs are going to be in paints.

Mr. Guridy stated that Mr. Young spoke about that before.

Mr. Dennis Pearson stated that now that the fire station has been demolished, when will bids for the reconstruction of the firehouse be accepted and when will construction start.

Mr. Dougherty stated that he does not have any of those dates, but will have them shortly.

Mr. Pearson stated that he hopes it is not a repeat of 1987 and you end up doing minor renovations which you really can't do because you demolished the building. In the 250th year, he noticed that there will be a parade and provisions. No mention has been made of the history of the succeeding companies of Weston Electric, Allentown State Hospital and Central Park and may it be noted that the thing that joins it together is the east side of Allentown which nothing from the east side of Allentown is included in the history of Allentown.

Mr. Dougherty stated that he will put Mr. Pearson in touch with the parade committee and he can voice those concerns/issues.

Mr. Pearson stated that since the other townships and cities which sued Allentown on NIZ because of their Earned Income Tax and because their residents were working in the NIZ and the money will go there.

Wouldn't the same thing be done for south side of Allentown and the east side of Allentown expects that all the money of its residents go into Allentown. Proper coffers rather than a NIZ zone because all employees of the City of Allentown monies regardless of where they live will go into the NIZ zone because the treasurer's office is here. As we go to the polls in November, east Allentown and south side we do so under grotesque because whether it is republican or democrat all of the people that we elect from the 131st and the 133rd and 135th will be lame ducks to us as soon as there are elected.

Mr. Dougherty stated to Mr. Pearson that he hoped he received our missive granting permission for the organization to once again use city facilities for holiday decorations. You are welcome.

Mr. Pearson stated that he appreciates that.

5. Approval of Minutes: June 20, 2012

Approved by Common Consent

6. Old Business:

Signed Transfers.pdf

Mr. Guridy stated that City Council held an executive session on July 11 and the subject matter was the sale/leasing of city assets. Copies of transfers that have been signed are on the back desk and will be included in tonight's minutes.

7. Communications

None

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

Budget and Finance: Chairperson Schlossberg

The committee has not met since the last meeting. They just met to go over the CAFR; the next meeting is a week from today on July 25th at 6:00 PM.

Public Safety: Chairperson Eichenwald

The committee has not met since the last meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for August 1st at 6:00 PM, first Wednesday of the month.

Community and Economic Development: Chairperson Schweyer

The Committee met on July 16th; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Parks and Recreation: Chairperson Mota

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next regularly scheduled meeting is on August 15th.

Public Works: Chairperson O'Connell

The Committee met on Monday, July 16th and has Bill 35 – the neighborhood improvement document; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chairperson Davis

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting will be on July 25th at 6:30.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chairperson Guridy

No meeting, no report.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

Controller's Report

Ms. Koval stated that this is more of an FYI for Council. For the past thirteen weeks, the Controller's office has had two students from Lehigh University's finance and accounting program assisting as interns in our office. They are completing a revenue and process flow in several areas of the city. They will be presenting their audit report at week's budget and finance committee meeting. You will be receiving copies of their report prior to the meeting. They will be emailed to you and she is going to ask Mr. Hanlon to email not only to Budget and Finance, but to all of Council members and the two gentlemen will be here to present the report and they will welcome any of your questions at that time.

Managing Director's Report

Mr. Dougherty stated that the mold remediation project is set to begin in city hall on the evening of August 6th. That would include portions of the 5th floor and Council Chambers. The Allentown Health Department in concert with the Pennsylvania DEP will begin spraying for West Nile virus. The spraying will begin where the health department and DEP have shown high mosquito population. The spraying will begin weather permitting on Thursday, July 26th from 3:30 AM – 5:00 AM. The portions will include Sumner Avenue corridor, Brick Street, Front Street corridor, Union Terrace, Trexler Park, MLK Boulevard corridor, Lehigh Street at Auburn and Mill Streets, under the Eighth Street Bridge, Mountainview Shopping Center. This is a tentative plan for that. We don't have a date, but will have confirmation on the actual date on Monday, the 23rd. All spraying will be done under the ultra-low volume sprayer. For the safety of the public at those hours will eliminate that. Sports Fest will kickoff tomorrow night. He provided tickets to the Clerk for distribution if you need more; please contact the Clerk or myself. He thanked City Council for their joint assistance in addressing our joint concern to the PUC concerning the rule making changes that regulate gas meters in Allentown and other cities in this Commonwealth.

Mr. Guridy thanked Mr. Dougherty and stated that as you know he co-sign the letter with the mayor.

9. APPOINTMENTS:

Frank Facchiano Planning Commission Term to expire, 12/01/2013
Frank Facchiano Appointment to the Planning Commisison.pdf

Mr. Schlossberg stated that Mr. Facchiano is his direct supervisor at work, he will be abstaining from this vote, however, tempting it would be. He would be a very good addition to the Planning Commission and encourage Council to vote yes.

Resolution passed, 6 – 0 (Abstention Schlossberg)

Mr. Facchiano thanked City Council and stated that he was born and raised in the City of Allentown and live in the city now. He loves the town and proud to serve.

Mr. Guridy thanked Mr. Facchiano for serving.

Mr. Schweyer asked to make a motion to move R36 to this portion of the agenda. It is a simple resolution that he and Mr. Guridy discussed at CEDC about the illegal units and the only thing that Ms. Hailstone has on the agenda today and he doesn't feel that it would take long.

Ms. Mota seconded the motion.

R 36 Illegal Units.doc

Recommends Reporting of Illegal Units and/or Conversions

Mr. Schweyer stated that this was in CEDC at our most recent hearing. As you know, it was recommended favorably by a vote of 2 – 0. It is a simple Resolution once again, calling upon our and recognizing our Building Standards and Safety Officers can't be everywhere all at once and if any member of the public, any landlord, anyone had noticed illegal conversions they call it into the city so they can investigate and move forward at that time.

Resolution passed, 7 – 0

10. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

Bill 35 Neighborhood Improvement.doc

Amending Article 720, Neighborhood Improvement Ordinance, by addressing vehicles parked on grass, skateboarding and bicycling in the center city area, illegal dumping, graffiti, property maintenance, handbills and shopping carts through the issuance of Sweep Tickets.

Mr. O'Connell stated that this bill has been before the Public Works committee two times, and was recommended favorably with amendments proposed by the administration and another proposed after a review of a section of the already existing code by the solicitor's office which found the Section 720.06(A) to be unconstitutional. They met on June 14th, he and Mr. Davis were in attendance. They moved it forward favorably and at that point the administration wanted to step back and ducktail something with the grass and we waited and did not vote on July 1st with the recommendation of the administration. They met again, on July 16th with Ms. Eichenwald, member of the Public Committee and himself in attendance and they again, they moved and forwarded it favorably with several amendments that have to be made tonight. They had a lively discussion on Monday and they talked a little about skateboarding. They had a young gentleman that goes to Allen High School that says we are very much in need of a skate park in Allentown as they have in Bethlehem. We took those concerns and there was another gentleman that came up and talked about skateboarding, talked about political posters, and community bulletin boards. We are taking those suggestions under advisement. There was a gentleman that talked about how the SWEEP tickets are issued in referenced to who gives the SWEEP tickets. The major concern that night was Section 720.06(A). There are three amendments to the bill one dealing with the impervious surface, one dealing with the change in the definition of the Center City District, and replace it with the Core Business District and the definition to read as follows and we will go through that and the major one in Article 720.06 the handbills. He stated that the need a motion to add the amendments.

Mr. Gurdy asked for them to do the amendments first.

Mr. O'Connell made a motion that these amendments are added to the bill.

Mr. Schweyer seconded the motion.

The amendments were read into the record.

1. Impervious Surface

Delete 720.02 (6) - definition of Impervious surface

Change 720.09 (C)(2) to read: VEHICLE PARKING: Vehicle parking is not permitted on grass, landscaped, dirt or stone areas of property. All parking areas must be in compliance with all applicable city ordinances, codes and regulations. City sponsored or special events are exempt from this requirement.

2. Change the definition of Center City District and replace it with Core Business District and the definition to read as follows with the corresponding changes:

720.02 Definitions, replace Center City District with;

2. Core Business District constitutes the following areas in the City of Allentown for the purposes of this ordinance:

Center City Business District – Hamilton St from 4th St to 12th St and Linden St to Walnut St

7th St Business District – 7th St from Hamilton St to Tilghman St

19th St Business District – N 19th St from Liberty St to Tilghman St and Allen St from 18th St to 20th St

In 720.13 (A) Replace Center City District with Core Business District

In 720.14 (A) Replace Center City District with Core Business District. Add: The location and boundaries of the Core Business District are delineated in Section 720.02.

3. In Section 720.06 HANDBILLS, NEWSPAPERS AND POSTED ADVERTISEMENTS, delete A, and make the corresponding changes to B and C (i.e., making the current B, A and the current C, B).

Mr. O'Connell stated before they proceed he would like the solicitor, Ms. Fruhwirth to speak specifically about 720.06 Section (A) and the reason why we want to delete that.

Ms. Fruhwirth stated that they researched on the issue on the federal court and it disclosed case law precedent which examined a very similar ordinance in the City of Pittsburgh and that court in that instance that provision of the ordinance was unconstitutional and unenforceable. In the event that you would like to revisit that section would be up to the wish of Council, but as written it would not hold up in court based on that case.

Mr. Guridy asked were there any comments from his colleagues or the public on the amendment.

Amendments passed, 7 – 0

Mr. Guridy asked was there any further comments on the bill itself.

Mr. Jim Brohart, member of the Industrial Workers of the World and lives in Allentown, stated that he was here during the committee meeting earlier in the week and they recommended that you get rid of 720.

Mr. O'Connell stated the Resolution for public bulletin boards in Allentown really has nothing to do with the bill, does it. He stated that this should have been stated at courtesy of the floor.

Mr. Guridy stated that this is not part of the bill, is that what you are saying.

Mr. O'Connell stated that came up on Monday night and he is not trying to demean what he is saying, but the Resolution for public bulletin boards in Allentown we have talked about that and we stated that we would take that under advisement. He does not see how the Resolution for public bulletin boards in Allentown even correlates to Bill 35 at all.

Mr. Brohart stated that 720.06 (C) which is now 720.06 (B) states that no person shall post or affix any advertisements, notice, posters to lampposts, trees, etc. There is a court case cited here and was one of the court cases we originally cites Robertson vs. Kent, federal case that the government may impose reasonable restriction on time, place or manner of speech as long as the leave open ample alternative channels of communication of the information. That does relate to the ordinance in all fairness and he does not know if this is the time or the place to submit this, but this was the resolution.

Mr. O'Connell stated to Mr. Guridy let him proceed.

Mr. Guridy asked Mr. Brohart where he read that on 720.06

Mr. O'Connell stated 720.06 (C) which is now becomes (B).

Mr. Guridy stated Section (C).

Mr. O'Connell stated that it is Section (C) which we recommended it to become Section (B).

Mr. Brohart stated that he would like to read the resolution out loud for the public for the record.

Whereas, the City of Allentown has a need for easily assessable public bulletin boards provided as a community service for the posting of information by community groups, local organizations; and

Whereas, no such open space for the public posting of information currently exist within our city at this time.

Whereas, Allentown city ordinance 720.06 (C) states no person shall post or affix any advertisement, notice, poster, or other paper or devise to any lamp, post, street sign, traffic signal, pole or control box, public utility pole, or tree or upon any private or public structure, building, except as maybe authorized or required by law; and

Whereas, in the cases of Robertson vs. Kent and Ward vs. RAR, US federal courts ruled that in matters affecting free speech, the government may impose reasonable restrictions of the time, place or matter of speech so as long as those restrictions leave open ample alternative channels of communication of the information.

Therefore be it resolved, by us the Lehigh Valley Industrial Workers of the World that the City of Allentown will construct a series of bulletin boards space throughout the city which will be continually open and assessable to all city residents in an attempt to provide information to member of our community and items of interest in their neighborhood, provide religious organizations with a place to post their information about their activities, increase awareness of and participation in upcoming city events, increase citizen involvement with local organizations and provide an open ample "alternatives" to all Allentown residents.

Mr. Brohart stated that they are asking the City Council review this and consider this in the future. The city needs public bulletin boards.

Mr. Guridy stated thanked you.

Mr. O'Connell stated that is fair.

Mr. Guridy stated that they will refer it to committee. He asked was it any further comments on the bill itself.

Ordinance passed, 7 – 0

Bill 39 Historic District Ord Amendment.doc

Amending the Historic Districts Ordinance by including among the review criteria reference to Guidelines for Historic Districts, Restoring, Maintaining, and Preserving the Old Allentown, Old Fairgrounds, and West Park Historic Districts

Mr. Schweyer stated that Bill 39 was recommended favorably by a vote of 2 – 0. In essence, what it does is reviews and creates a streamlined document that outlines all the recommendations and requirements for folks who want to repair properties within one of our three historic districts, considered a one stop shop document. It was excellent work done by our CEDC staff and he thanked Mr. Salinger for all his hard work on this. It was recommended favorably 2 – 0 and also recommended by several members of the public including representatives from both HARB, people living in Old Allentown, a representative here from the Old Fairgrounds neighborhood who also spoke in favor of this.

Mr. Gurdy asked were there any questions from the dais or any further questions.

Mr. Schweyer asked if they were still going to move forward and flag all of these of anybody that pulls permits in this district are handed this document or at least given the website. Mr. Paulus stated that he would.

Mr. Al Salinger stated that they would digitally and certainly the people that come to the counter we are able to reproduce sections and hand them those sections that are available or give them the booklet.

Ordinance passed, 7 – 0

11. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

Bill 40 Capital Tansfers 2.doc

Referred to Budget and Finance

Amending the 2012 Capital Project Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand One Hundred Seventy Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$250,170.30) from the Hamilton Street Reconstruction Capital Project and the City Hall Elevator Replacement Project to two Capital Projects which need additional funding.

Bill 41 Ordinance Fire Premium Pay.doc

Referred to Public Safety

Amending the 2012 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$9,750) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security

Bill 42 UGI Donation East Side.doc

Referred to Public Safety

Amending the 2012 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) as the result of a donation made by UGI, Inc. to the Allentown Fire Department.

Bill 43 EMS Ordinance Iron Pigs.doc

Referred to Public Safety

Amending the 2012 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Nine Cents (\$16,122.59) from the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs baseball franchise for the purpose of covering the cost associated with providing on-scene emergency medical services (EMS) staffing, normally two (2) Paramedics, at every home game played and at concert events during the 2012 season. \$6,265.00 + \$7,183.75 for a total of \$13,448.75; and as a result of a payment from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for reimbursement of cost associated with the deployment of the EMS Strike team for a total of \$2,673.84. The total is \$16,122.59.

Bill 44 IT Reorganization.doc

Referred to HR, Admin and Appts.

Amending the 2012 General Fund and Sewer Fund, creating, eliminating, and reclassifying a number of positions related to reorganizing the Information Technology Department – with a net savings of approximately \$53,567 (Fifty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven).

Bill 45 Rezoning Parcel at 301-359 River Drive.doc

Referred to CEDC

Rezoning approximately 15.99 Acres at 301-359 River Drive from RM-P to RM-H, High Density Residential

12. CONSENT AGENDA:

CA-1 HARB.doc

Certificates of Appropriateness for Work in the Historic Districts

Resolution passed, 7 – 0

CA-2.doc

CA 2 Police Officer Appointments

Mr. Schwyer complimented the work of our administration along with our solicitor's office. At the last Council meeting that we had the police officers were appointed and he remarked that there wasn't anything listing their addresses and it is probably a bad idea to put police officers home addresses in the public record. This is one that all members of Council shares to get as many Allentown people as possible for these roles. This is a good compromise and protects the privacy of the officers as well as still allowing us to monitor where these police officers are being hired.

Mr. Schlossberg asked Chief MacLean where are we at now.

Chief MacLean stated 211. We are getting there.

Mr. Schlossberg asked if we had 211 budgeted.

Chief MacLean stated 216.

Mr. Schlossberg asked how many are out with injury.

Chief MacLean stated they have about five on long-term injury. We don't have anybody deployed. We have two in the academy and about seven in field training. We are busy.

Mr. Schlossberg asked is this the highest numbers since 2005.

Chief MacLean stated absolutely highest since 2005. Once we broke 200 – 203 we were there for a couple of weeks and we had a couple of retirements that took us down to 199 and now we are back up and he is happy.

Mr. Guridy asked were there any further comments or comments from the public.

Resolution passed, 7 – 0

13. RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING:

R 34 Approves BONY as Custodian of Pension Assets.doc

Approves Bank of New York as Custodian of the Pension Fund Assets

Mr. Schlossberg stated that this was with the Budget and Finance Committee and it did pass with a vote of 2 – 0. Essentially this is your standard appointment of the bank that will be the custodian of our pension assets.

Mr. Guridy asked were there any comments from the public.

Resolution passed. 7 – 0

14. RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING:

R 38 339 N 7th Street Encroachment.doc

Encroachment Request: Cellar door at 339 N 7th Street

Referred to Public Works

R39.docx

Authorizes the Administration to Enter Into a 15 Year Contract with Premiere Media Allentown, LLC

Referred to HR, Admin and Appts.

R40 Supports IT Plan.doc

Accepts the Information Technology Strategy for 2013-2015;

Referred to HR, Admin and Appts.

R41 DUI Checkpoints.docx

Approves grant application for DUI Checkpoints

Referred to Public Safety

15. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Schwyer stated to Mr. Hanlon referring back to Bill 45 which was rezoning that was introduced for the first time today. We are going to need a public hearing on that as well since it is a rezoning. How quick can we get the public hearing?

Mr. Hanlon stated whatever time we advertise. We can advertise at 6:45 PM before the Council meeting and it could be the first meeting in September.

16. GOOD AND WELFARE

17. ADJOURNED: 7:46 PM

Council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. For copies of the agenda or meeting announcements, please visit our website at www.allentownpa.gov or contact the Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov to receive an email notice of the meetings.