

Council President Randy Allison brought the meeting of the Williamsport City Council meeting to order on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Trade & Transit II Center, 144 West. Third St. Williamsport. The meeting was livestreamed..

Council members present:

Randy Allison, President
Elizabeth Miele, Vice President absent
Bonnie Katz, Councilwoman absent
Adam Yoder, Councilman
Vince Pulizzi, Councilman,
Jon Mackey, Councilman,
David Banks, Councilman

Absent:

Elizabeth Miele
Bonnie Katz

Also, Present:

Derek Slaughter, Mayor, absent
Mr. Joe Gerardi
Mr. Joe Pawlak
August Memmi
Mark Killian, Fire Chief,
Justin Snyder, Police Chief
Solicitor Norman Lubin
Janice Frank, City Clerk
Adam Winder, RVT

Approval of the Williamsport City Council minutes for 7/22/21 were approved upon a motion **Mr. Yoder and a second from Mr. Mackey All were in favor. The vote was 5 to 0.**

Mr. Allison announced that Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz are absent. He also announced an executive session in the matter of legal issues.

Mr. Allison read a letter from Mayor Slaughter congratulating Sydney Robertson of Williamsport who was crowned Miss Pennsylvania in the annual competition that took place on July 30 & 31 in Johnstown, Pa. She was also awarded Miss Congeniality & Miss Photogenic. She will compete for Miss USA on November 29, 2021. He stated he is proud to have her represent Williamsport Pennsylvania in the Miss USA pageant.

Mr. Allison said she is a friend of his family who has been grooming for this, she is a wonderful person and he wishes her the best of luck.

Limited Courtesy of the Floor

There were no requests.

Resolution #9182

Resolution Authorizing the Williamsport Bureau of Police to Hire one Officer – Nathaniel Kendall

The City Clerk read the resolution.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the resolution.

Mr. Yoder made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Pulizzi.

Chief Snyder stated this hire is Nathaniel Kendall and is the last qualified on our civil service list. He will graduate from the Academy on November 13, 2021. He will start with the City at the end of November. He resides in the City with his wife.

Mr. Allison welcomed him and asked him if he'd like to say a few words.

Mr. Kendall said he is excited to start as an officer with the City of Williamsport and he is looking forward to protecting and serving the City.

The resolution was carried with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor.

Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Resolution #9180

Resolution Authorizing a MOU between the City of Williamsport & the Williamsport Area School District

The City Clerk read the resolution.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the resolution

Mr. Mackey made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Yoder.

Chief Snyder stated this is the same as last year with just a small rate change. We do this every year.

Mr. Yoder stated we reviewed this in finance and forwarded it to the full body of Council with a positive recommendation. We do this every year and the only thing different besides the rate is we don't know who the officer will be this year.

Mr. Allison stated reading through this, he wanted to point out that the officer does a lot, he is more than a hall monitor with a badge. We talked with the administration and teachers as well as establishing a relationship with the students, letting them know that they are safe, the things this officer does are positive in every way, this is an important position.

The resolution was carried with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor.

Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Resolution #9181

Resolution for a Service Agreement between the Williamsport Bureau of Police & PoliceApp.com

The City Clerk read the resolution.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the resolution

Mr. Yoder made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Pulizzi.

Chief Snyder stated this is a job recruiting web page and we are currently starting a new list of applications. This platform is a good platform and is proven to be a useful tool, a number of Police are using this app.

Mr. Yoder stated this was reviewed in Finance and forwarded to the full body of Council with a positive recommendation. As Chief Snyder pointed out, this is a tool to fill our applicant pool, we have used the last person on

our last list. This comes at no cost to us, it is like Indeed.com. He had a question on reserve the right to charge in future.

Chief Snyder's answer was inaudible.....but no charge to the City.

Mr. Yoder stated the police dept is currently going through and putting a plan together for the next few years,

Inaudible..... lot of good discussion in Finance.

Mr. Allison asked if there were other questions.

The resolution was carried with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor.

Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Demolition 338 Court St. (former Don Waltman Meats & Deli)

Mr. Gerardi stated this request is located in CBD. It was used as a deli store, the new owner will put an addition on the back side of the building or a courtyard. It will come back to Council for a certification of appropriateness.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion and second.

Mr. Pulizzi made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Yoder.

The certificates of appropriateness were carried with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor.

Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Mr. Allison announced that we have a new format for these certificates, it is a cleaner version and more detail. He thanked Chelesa Blair and Skip Memmi for working on this.

Certificates of Appropriateness – HARB

Item 1. Green Trees Development (Chad Lomison)

915 Vine Avenue

- A. Strip the existing paint
- B. Repaint the building properly. Color codes are Sherwin-Williams.
 - Main body- Highland Grey HGSW2444
 - Window trim- Creamed White HGSW4042
 - Remaining trim- Black Stone HGSW3371

Item 2. Green Trees Development (Chad Lomison)

922 Vine Avenue

- A. Demolish current brick garage structure. - **TABLED**

Item 3. Green Trees Developments (Chad Lomison)

930-932 Vine Avenue

- A. Replace 36 windows - **TABLED**
- B. Remove aluminum siding
- C. Install pre-painted 7" PVC clapboard
- D. Install PVC window trim
- E. Paint wood accents
- F. Stain wood doors

Paint colors will be finalized via communication between HARB members and Green Trees.

Item 4. Cindy Pardee/Weightman Block Associates

770 West 4th Street

- A. Remove existing shingles from the penthouse roofs of Area J and H
- B. Install new GAF Timberline High Definition Premium Architectural Shingles with same/similar shingles. Color Charcoal.

Item 5. Jefferson and Debralee Porter

329 Maynard Street

- A. Replace existing metal storm windows, which are in poor condition, with new storm windows on the first and second floors of the south, west, and north facades
 - #L201 Brown Larson Double Track Storm Windows with double strength glass and half screens

Item 6. Arlington Valley Properties LLC (Charles Werst)

633 Grace Street

- A. Repair front porch floor joist and any rotted porch floor
- B. Rebuild porch banisters on three (3) sides to match originals
- C. Remove 15ft tongue and groove and install new tongue and groove to match original
- D. Add turned balusters and top trim board
- E. Replace front corner post
- F. Repaint deck grey (currently grey)

Mr. Allison asked why certain items were tabled.

Mr. Memmi answered that they need to revisit those items and come up with some other plans before they approve the ones that were tabled.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the HARB certificates.

Mr. Yoder made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Pulizzi.

The certificates were approved with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor.

Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Accept for filing:

Finance Committee Minutes 07/20/21

Public Safety Minutes 07/20/21, 05/25/21

Public Works Minutes 05/25/21, 06/08/21. 07/20/21

ERC Minutes 05/28/21 & 07/23/21

Controller's Report 5/31/21

Williamsport Municipal Water & Sanitary Authority Minutes 07/23/21

Williamsport Codes Report June 2021

Mr. Allison stated that the Codes Report was very helpful and detailed and Mr. Gerardi did a nice job on them.

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to accept these for filing.

Mr. Pulizzi made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Mackey

The minutes were accepted for filing with five yes roll call votes. The vote was 5 to 0. All were in favor. Mr. Yoder voted yes, Mr. Mackey voted yes, Mr. Pulizzi voted yes, Mr. Banks voted yes, and Mr. Allison voted yes. Ms. Miele and Mrs. Katz were absent.

Announcements

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting will be held on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM, Trade & Transit II, 144 West Third St. 3rd Floor, Williamsport, PA

Upcoming Meetings:

Friday, August 13	11:00	AM	ERC
Tuesday, August 17	6:30	PM	HARB
Wednesday, August 18	10:00	AM	Blighted Property
Thursday August 19	10:30	AM	Zoning Hearing Board
	4:00	PM	Board of Health
Wednesday, August 25	11:30	AM	Redevelopment Authority
Monday, Sept. 6			CITY HALL CLOSED LABOR DAY
Tuesday, Sept 7	11:30	AM	Public Safety *
	1:00	PM	Finance Meeting*
	2:30	PM	Public Works Meeting*
Wednesday, Sept. 8	3:30	PM	O&E Pension
Thursday, Sept 9	7:00	PM	City Council meeting

Reminder of 2nd meeting of Public Work Session on ARPA disbursement funds - September 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Meetings still held remote are indicated with an * asterisk.

Mr. Allison asked if there were questions or comments from City Council.

Mr. Allison stated that even though the meetings for the rest of the year are scheduled in person, there could be a possibility in the future that we may have to go back to remote with this Covid variance and we will follow the CC guidelines.

Mr. Mackey stated the Accessibility Commission will meet in person on August 19, 2021 at 3:00 PM at Trade & Transit Center II.

Mr. Allison asked if there were questions or comments from the Administration.

There were none.

Mr. Allison asked if there were questions or comments from the general public.

Frank Stucco, at the meeting Mr. Allison talked about the old City Hall and he was supposed to call Mr. Stucco back.

Mr. Allison stated he didn't have his number.

Mr. Stucco stated that there was a piece floating on the roof of City Hall. He wanted to restrict his complaints to Mr. Allison's party, and he is directing them to him. He holds Mr. Allison responsible, cause his party is majority. The situation.....he noticed a tree blew over in Brandon Park with no leaf and lays dead in the Park. He wonders if they are being taken care of.....

Mr. Allison stated he is not involved with the maintenance program.

Mr. Stucco asked if he was aware of dead trees...his voice was inaudible...talking about dead trees on streets and said some have trees have been dead for five years.

Mr. Allison referred him to Codes dept.

Mr. Stucco stated he wanted to refer it...he asked Mr. Allison to call him 570 974 4938. He finds School Hall Alley disturbing. Alley between Second St & Third St. One of the few alleys that have been paved recently.....hazardous situation, if you go down the alley, it stands out quite a bit, there is a lot of fencing and undergrowth of grass and trees and if you look down the alley ...it is undercut brush and out of control and the City should contact someone about it, do you blame pavers, or police ? we are paving around underbush.....there are a lot of places where the trees and brush and undergrowth, not much room for moving.

Mr. Allison told him that he has talked for five minutes and we have gone over this stuff, He can't tell anyone in the administration what to do, to get the kind of action he is asking for, he should write a letter.

Mr. Stucco stated it is not his job to write letters, it's his job to make a note to the administration.

He walks away

Adjournment

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Yoder and a second by Mr. Pulizzi. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM with unanimous ayes.

Submitted by:

**Janice M. Frank
City Clerk**