

CITY COUNCIL
Sunbury PA 17801
March 27th, 2023
6:15 pm

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Sunbury was called to order with the Honorable Mayor Brosious, presiding. There was a quorum with the following in attendance:

Ric Reichner, Director of Finance
John Barnhart, Director of Public Safety
Lisa Martina, Director of Public Works
James R. Eister, Director of Parks, Recreation

Other City officials in attendance:

Jolinn Barner, City Clerk
Joel Wiest, City Solicitor
Ronald Rupp, Fire Chief
Bradley Hare, Chief of Police

Visitors present: 49

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SWEEP

Accept donations of \$3,000 from TNT Home Health for Park Bench Sponsorship
Approve Park bench order paid with donation from TNT Home Health.
Accept Donation of \$1,000 from Shamokin Dam Fire Department in memory of Steve Rowe.
Accept Donation of \$500 from Fraternal Order Eagles 503.
Accept Donation of \$500 from Beiter's Furniture

Mayor Brosious made the motion to accept donations of \$3,000.00 from TNT Home Health for Park Bench Sponsorship, accept donation of \$1,000.00 from Shamokin Dam Fire Department in memory of Steve Rowe, accept donation of \$500.00 from Fraternal Order of Eagles 503, Accept donation \$500.00 from Beiter's Furniture. And to Approve Park bench order paid with donation from TNT Home Health. Second Martina. Unanimous Vote.

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NEW BUSINESS

Fee Schedule

Mayor Brosious made the motion to table until a later date. Second Councilman Barnhart. Unanimous Vote.

Reserved Parking Space

Mayor Brosious made the motion to Purchase Three reserved parking spots in the lot behind them on woodland avenue. Second Councilman Reichner. Unanimous Vote.

2nd Reading of Ordinance “Public Nuisance Abatement”

Councilman Barnhart made the motion to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance “Public Nuisance Abatement”. Second Mayor Brosious. Unanimous Vote.

Resolution 2023-17 City of Sunbury Exemptions re Commercial Property Inspections

Councilman Barnhart made the motion to approve Resolution 2023-17 City of Sunbury Exemptions re Commercial Property Inspections. Second Mayor Brosious. Unanimous Vote.

Resolution 2023-18 DPW City of Sunbury Sale List #3

Councilwoman Martina made the motion to approve Resolution 2023-18 DPW City of Sunbury Sale List #3. Second Mayor Brosious. Unanimous Vote.

SRI Request of City to take back 441 Chestnut Street

Councilman Eister made the motion to table SRI Request of the City to take back 441 Chestnut Street until next meeting. Second Mayor Brosious. Unanimous Vote.

Event Trailer

Councilman Eister made the motion to table until next meeting so he can gather more resource information. Tabled.

Quote for Pump/Chlorination System for OPG and City Pools

Councilman Eister made the motion to proceed applying for grant funding of \$34,374.40 from the Degenstein Foundation. Second Councilwoman Martina. Unanimous Vote.

Lease Agreement Increase Between Norfolk Southern Corporation and the City

Councilman Eister made the motion to look at the contract and proceed Since the Lease is up to \$3,550.00. Second Mayor Brosious. Unanimous Vote.

APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES

Approval of Abstract/Vouchers for GF is \$405,444.40 and \$1,048.00 LF

Councilman Reichner made the motion to approve the Abstract/Vouchers for GF is \$405,444.40 and \$1,048.00 LF. Second Councilman Eister. Unanimous Vote.

Discussion

Thank You Letter Americas Hose Company

Mayor Brosious directed Jerome Alex to speak about the Thank you letter from the Americas Hose Company.

Thank You Letter from Shikellamy School District

Mayor Brosious spoke about the Thank you letter written by the Shikellamy School District. To thank Slade Shreck and Jody Ocker as co- for the Sunbury 250th Celebration.

Announcements

Accepting letters of interest to fill the vacant 3-year term for the Board of Appeals and HARB. Please submit letters of interest to City Clerk at jbarner@sunburypa.org .

City of Sunbury Mulch Give Away- Saturday May 6, 2023. It will run from 7:30 a.m. to Noon.

City Brush Recycling Center will reopen for the 2023 season on Saturday, April 1, 2023. Our hours at the Brush Recycle Center is from 7:30 a.m. to Noon.

E-Cycling Event- 04/08/2023 10 am to 12 pm at James R. Eister Community Center

460 Arch Street, Sunbury, PA (otherwise known as “Arch and 5th Streets” and Tax Parcel #053-01-008-024) will be auctioned by the Sunbury Redevelopment Authority on April 29, 2023. More information will be made available on the website at sunburyredevelopment.org.

Accepting letters of interest to fill the vacant 3-year term for the Board of Appeals, HARB, and Alternate for The Shade Tree Committee Please submit letters of interest to City Clerk at jbarner@sunburypa.org .

Summer Kick-Off June 3rd,

2023 Next City Council Meeting will be held at City Hall on April 10, 2023, 6:15pm.

Pre-Submitted Audience Comment

There were no Pre-Submitted Comments.

Public Comment

Shade Tree is hosting a Sapling Giveaway: 800 trees 16 species, please pre-register, located in City Hall April 15th 9am-12pm.

Jody Ocker- SRI wanted to say they have a small business organization meeting on March 20th. With a very positive outcome and we will keep pushing forward. Next meeting will be held on April 17th at 6pm located at the Albright Center. More information can be found on their website or contact SRI or see Jody after the meeting.

Dennis Schaffer- Asked where citizens can park on Arch street, since the lot is permit only during Street Sweeping. Chief Hare responded that they will rotate which side of the street they do to try to cooperate with the Citizens. Councilman Eister said they will work on a more solid solution for the Citizens.

Mark Gittens- Asked where to dispose of televisions and other things like it that the E-cycling day doesn't except. Code Supervisor Jeff Wojciechowski and a citizen spoke about an officer that charges \$5.00 and he will drive it out to Pittsburg.

Jody Scholvin- Where do citizens go to get a police officer during the weekends for a non-emergency police call. Chief hare Responded with the Non-Emergency Phone number.

Victoria Rosancrans- Chief Rupp SFD Did a amazing job yesterday collecting for 13 families. Spoke about the Goodwill Hose company and Sweet Chaos collecting for the 13 families affected by a fire.

Where was the public hearing advertised other than the Newspaper, the public is on social media. The city needs to do a better job with transparency for the community and engage more thorough communication. And we need to post on our Facebook page regarding more about just Events going on in the city. Whoever is responsible for the outreach to our community needs to be doing a better job.

Councilman Barnhart thanked Victoria Rosecrans for bringing in supplies for the firefighters who were there for the fire involving the 13 families.

Also thanking the Fire Fighters and Fire police the excellent job being there for our community and doing all that they do.

Tammy Erdman- if we could Read out loud the Public Abatement, So that the transparency is present and the public will actually know all the new abatement entails.

Joel Wiest responded to Tammy saying they will making copies available so the public can look them over since they are pretty long.

Lindie Llyod: She thinks the Commercial Property ordinance the city is doing is a wonderful thing and will keep our public safe and sends them a round of a applause for taking action and not to let anyone deter you.

Jody Scholvin: Agrees with Lindie Llyod and wants the city to continue so we don't have recurring events such as the Dollar store.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ciara Chappell,
Administrative Assistant