



CITY OF TITUSVILLE

City Council Meeting Proceedings **January 15, 2013**

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| CALL TO ORDER | The regular meeting of Titusville City Council was called to order by Mayor Smith in the Conference Room at the Titusville Redevelopment Authority at 6:02 p.m. |
| MOMENT OF SILENCE | Observed |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | Led by Mayor Smith |
| ROLL CALL | Mayor Esther Smith, Deputy Mayor Bill Adelman, Councilman Keith Bromley, Councilman Don Frazier, and Councilman Jay Reese. |
| ADOPTION OF AGENDA | Motion by Mr. Bromley, second by Mr. Adelman, and carried unanimously to adopt the Agenda as prepared. |
| APPROVAL OF MINUTES | Motion by Mr. Bromley, second by Mr. Frazier, and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 2012 with a correction on page 6. |
| PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS | None |
| REPORTS <i>Operational Reports</i> | Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Bromley, and carried unanimously to accept the Operational Reports; Building Inspector, Finance, Fire, Police, Public Works, and Treasurer for the month of December 2012 as submitted and placed on file. |
| MINUTES OF BOARDS & COMMITTEES | Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mr. Frazier, and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of the Housing Authority 11/20, Planning Commission, 11/1 & 12/6, and Redevelopment Authority – 12/3. |
| BILL LISTINGS | Motion by Mr. Bromley, second by Mr. Frazier, and carried unanimously to ratify the bill listing warrants dated 12/19 - \$16,220.84, 12/31 \$28,088.18, & 1/10 \$514,074.91. |
| NEW BUSINESS <i>Special Event Approval March for Babies 4/20/13</i> | Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Bromley, and carried unanimously to approve the recurring special event March of Dimes March for Babies scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2013 contingent upon insurance. |
| PUBLIC PARTICIPATION | <i>Jason Witosky – 413 E Spruce Street</i> Spoke in regards to comments and concerns he had after he attended the January 8 th City Council Work Session. |

Tom Kopper – 323 E Main Street

Spoke in support of Mr. Witosky and Mr. Fiely in regards to Council's obligation to represent and communicate with taxpayers.

Pat Cartney – 339 W Mt Vernon Street

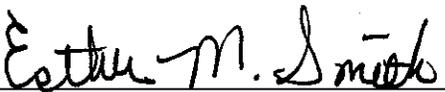
Spoke in regard to his time sitting on Council as well as other boards and offered his support to the current Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Bromley, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

THIS 19th DAY OF February 2013



Mayor Esther M. Smith

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Council Meeting of January 15, 2013.



Diana A. Durstine
Recording Secretary

Prepared statements read by City Council or individual taxpayers making testimony in each meeting should be provided to the recording secretary and will be attached to the meeting minutes. Digital voice files of each meeting are available upon request at City Hall.

SUNSHINE ACT: § 705. Recording of votes. In all meetings of agencies, the vote of each member who actually votes on any resolution, rule, order, regulation, ordinance or the setting of official policy must be publicly cast and, in the case of roll call votes, recorded. § 706. Minutes of meetings, public records and recording of meetings. Written minutes shall be kept of all open meetings of agencies. The minutes shall include: (1) The date, time and place of the meeting. (2) The names of members present. (3) The substance of all official actions and a record by individual member of the roll call votes taken. (4) The names of all citizens who appeared officially and the subject of their testimony. § 711. Use of equipment during meetings.(a) Recording devices.--Except as provided in subsection (b), a person attending a meeting of an agency shall have the right to use recording devices to record all the proceedings. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the agency from adopting and enforcing reasonable rules for their use under section 710 (relating to rules and regulations for conduct of meetings).

THIRD CLASS CITY CODE: Section 1008. Journal of Proceedings; Recording and Withholding of Vote.--The council shall keep a journal of its proceedings, which shall be in the possession of the city clerk, and which shall at all times be open to public inspection. Upon every vote, the yeas and nays shall be called and recorded by the city clerk. Every motion, resolution, or ordinance shall be reduced to writing before the vote is taken thereon. No member in attendance shall withhold his vote on any measure, bill or question unless the council excuse him and enter the reason upon the journal.

I thought my statements last week were pretty clear ,and I think that most everyone in the room understood that I was not speaking out against those who participate in social media conversations-but rather simply stating that I do not believe that Council should have invited those that posted opinions to speak and reduce our meeting to the level of questioning" who's ~~sister~~ said what , and why".

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I am well aware that Social Media, Blogs, and" Letters to the Editor" for that matter are all part of the game when you hold public office, and they are all just published opinions. Confronting those that post them in at a Council meeting is not something that I would do as a leader.

Unfortunately the local paper paraphrased me to make it sound like I was one of the loudest and intolerant members of Council regarding social media...when it was clearly my intention to separate myself from the Mayor and the other members of Council that thought that we should discuss those remarks in a public meeting...

As I have said many times before...the trouble with this town is that whenever most are faced with an opposing opinion or God forbid reasonable criticism, they more often than not reduce the situation to personal attacks and immediately shift focus from the problem to their own self esteem... I look forward to a day when this is a thing of the past.

Councilman Reese

11/5/13