



**CALL PUBLIC HEARING
TO ORDER
RE: ZONING MAP CHANGE**

Mayor Smith called the hearing to order in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at Towne Square at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Smith read from a brochure circulated in Titusville (attached) regarding Titusville City Council's plans to make major changes to zoning, parking, and street design on Murdoch Boulevard. She pointed out lies in the brochure and scolded whomever is responsible for putting the brochure out.

Councilman Frazier expressed he is deeply troubled by the negative information that comes through the town without vetting. He said he is disappointed and concerned that people have been misled by spite.

Councilman Adelman voiced he is deeply disturbed by what has transpired in the last year and half or so. He wanted to make clear that what is on the agenda is a reading of a bill to change the zoning map from a special use area to an R-3 which is multi-family residential use and property division to split Ball Hall from the Townhouses to sell these properties.

Councilwoman Leonardi stated if someone mails someone something and isn't willing to put their name on it maybe you should question it instead of relying on a piece of paper that no one takes responsibility for. Obviously this person tried to push everyone in to a fear based decision.

Mayor Smith mentioned three emails and thanked those for putting their name to them making them credible 1) Mrs. Osborn – Is it true that the city plans on low income housing and changes to Murdoch Blvd? 2) Mr. Hargenrader – stated he was recently informed of a potential plan to modify Murdoch Blvd. zoning, parking and elimination of the beautiful tree lined median. 3) Jean Matthews – the Mayor spoke to her and she is concerned also.

The summary of Council Bill No. 7 of 2019 was read.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE BY AMENDING SECTION 1305.01, ZONING MAP TO ADOPT A REVISED ZONING MAP IN THE FORM ATTACHED HERETO.

Solicitor Winkler explained on the zoning map one part of the city will be changed from a Special Conservation District to an R-3 which is a multiple family residential district. Approved uses for an R-3 were listed. Special exceptions, allowed by exception, requiring additional approval by the Zoning Hearing Board were listed.

Mayor Smith opening the hearing to the public.

Kelly Popieski – Murdoch Boulevard

Apologized that Council had to scold them. Stated if council changes this to a multi-family dwelling they are not stupid. There is an ordinance that says there has to be the parking that is not there. She asked where is Council going to make the parking. Councilwoman Leonardi stressed this would be up to the developer. They can't take the street. Whoever buys the property would develop on the property not on the street. Ms. Popieski stated Ball Hall is useless and asked if the City considered getting rid of that and making that parking. Mrs. Leonardi added for the City to do that with tax money to make a parking lot for the developer doesn't make any sense. She asked city council to not vote on this tonight so everybody can see the city ordinances and see what the rules are.

Jon Crouch – 708 North Perry Street

He started out be saying it seems a little bit tense in the room from the earlier part of this. He said today he was handed a letter from the Jean Matthews family and was asked to read it. She could not make it to the meeting because she is 89 years old. He read the letter. (attached)

He stated he as well as others residents in the city have seen things in the newspaper and received flyers in the mail about hoodwinked this hoodwinked that. Nowhere on that flyer does it say a name. It says it's from concerned citizens. People surmised it came from City Hall, people surmised it came from Esther. Where did it come from is their question.

James Elliott – 306 North Franklin Street

Suggested City Council was putting the cart before the horse with this. He suggested the city sell it to the developer to then file a variance to change the zoning.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

With no other comments Mayor Smith closed the public hearing.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the regular meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Mayor Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mayor Smith

ROLL CALL

Mayor Esther Smith, Deputy Mayor Bill Adelman, Councilman Don Frazier, and Councilwoman Heather Leonardi were present.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA	<i>Motion by Mrs. Leonardi, second by Mr. Adelman, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended moving the City Council appointment to the first order of business.</i>
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<i>Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman, and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of August 27, 2019 as submitted and placed on file.</i>
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Pertaining to Agenda Items	None.
City Council Appointment	<i>Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mrs. Leonardi, and carried unanimously to accept Tammy Champion. (Unexpired Term ending January 1, 2022)</i> Mayor Smith announced there were two candidates interviewed after last Tuesday's Council meeting. Mr. Jonathon Crouch of 708 North Perry Street and Mrs. Tammy Champion of 418 West Main Street. Summaries for each of the interviews was given. Mayor Smith called Mrs. Champion forward. Solicitor Rich Winkler administered the oath and she was invited to sit up front with City Council with voting privileges as she is now a member of Council.
REPORTS Operational Reports	<i>Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mrs. Leonardi, to approve the Operational Reports: Building Inspector, Finance, Fire, Human Resources/Risk Management, Police, Public Works, Treasurer, Water/Wastewater for the month of August 2019 as submitted and placed on file, vote as follows:</i> Mr. Adelman, Mr. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Leonardi – Yes Mrs. Champion abstained from voting for the rest of the meeting as she just received the packet and has had no exposure to any of it.
MINUTES OF BOARDS & COMMITTEES	<i>Motion by Mrs. Leonardi, second by Mr. Frazier, and carried unanimously to accept and place on file the minutes of the Benson Memorial Library 8/20, Housing Authority 7/16, and Planning Commission of 8/8.</i>
BILL LISTINGS	<i>Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mrs. Leonardi and carried unanimously to ratify the bill listing warrants dated 8/30, 9/5, 9/13 and 9/20.</i>
OLD BUSINESS	<i>Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mrs. Leonardi and carried unanimously to adopt Council Bill No. 6 of 2019 on 2nd Reading.</i>
Council Bill No. 6 of 2019 Non-Uniform Pension Plan Amendment	

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE MONEY ACCUMULATION PENSION PLAN FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, TO AMEND THE PLAN OR PROGRAM APPLICABLE TO THE EMPLOYEES OF SAID CITY.

Council Bill No. 7 of 2019
Zoning Map Amendment

Motion by Mrs. Leonardi, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to introduce Council Bill No. 7 of 2019 on 1st Reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE BY AMENDING SECTION 1305.01, ZONING MAP TO ADOPT A REVISED ZONING MAP IN THE FORM ATTACHED HERETO.

Murdoch Boulevard
Subdivision

Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mrs. Leonardi and carried unanimously to approve the Murdoch Boulevard Subdivision.

Resolution No. 15a of 2019
2018 CDBG Modification

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 15 of 2019.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MODIFICATION OF ITS FY 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, (DCED) COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 16 of 2019
CDBG Fair Housing

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mrs. Leonardi and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 16 of 2019.

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of the City of Titusville that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status (families with children), or handicap (disability) is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Act) and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act adds the additional protected classes of age, ancestry and use of guide or support animals because of the blindness, deafness or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals. It is the policy of the City of Titusville to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status, handicap, age, ancestry and use of guide or support animals because of the blindness, deafness or physical

handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals. Therefore, the City of Titusville does hereby pass the following resolution.

Resolution No. 17 of 2019
Sale of City Property –
Murdoch Boulevard

Motion by Mrs. Leonardi, second by Mrs. Smith and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 17 of 2019.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, SETTING AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF CITY REAL ESTATE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE TRANSFER OF CITY PROPERTY.

Resolution No. 18 of 2019
Police Pension Actuarial
Assumptions

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 18 of 2019.

A Resolution of the City of Titusville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, adopting a five-year smoothing method to determine the actuarial value of assets as part of the actuarial valuation for the City of Titusville Police Pension Plan, according to §203.2 of the regulations covering the implementation of the actuarial funding rules of Act 205 of 1984 (P.L. 1005, No. 205, 53 P.S. §§895.101-895.803) published by the Public Employee Retirement Commission, currently known as the Municipal Pension Reporting Program (MPRP).

Resolution No. 19 of 2019
Fire Pension Actuarial
Assumptions

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 19 of 2019.

A Resolution of the City of Titusville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, adopting a five-year smoothing method to determine the actuarial value of assets as part of the actuarial valuation for the City of Titusville Firemen's Pension Plan, according to §203.2 of the regulations covering the implementation of the actuarial funding rules of Act 205 of 1984 (P.L. 1005, No. 205, 53 P.S. §§895.101-895.803) published by the Public Employee Retirement Commission, currently known as the Municipal Pension Reporting Program (MPRP).

Polk Center Proclamation

Motion by Mr. Adelman, second by Mr. Frazier and carried unanimously to adopt the Polk Center Proclamation.

Housing Authority
Appointment

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mrs. Leonardi and carried unanimously to re-appoint Steve Coleman to the Housing Authority to a 5 year term ending 10/9/2024.

Civil Service Commission
Resignations

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to accept with regret the resignations of Sharon Lemley, Rose Nystrom, and John Smith from the Civil Service Commission.

Civil Service Commission
Appointment

Motion by Mrs. Leonardi, second by Mrs. Smith and carried unanimously to appoint Don Morris Jr. to the Civil Service Commission to an unexpired term ending 1/1/2020.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jon Crouch – 708 North Perry Street

Spoke regarding social media and the Mayor's Facebook page.

James Elliott – 306 South Franklin Street

Asked the Mayor if she was going to answer Mr. Crouch's question.

Joe Covell – 414 North Monroe Street

Questioned if the sale of properties would be sealed bid or open bid with interviews and what the timetable was.

Larry Emerson – 120 West Walnut Street

Requested clarification regarding why city council vacancy interviews are not conducted out in the public.

Anna Slagle – 518 Mailler Street

Spoke regarding her childhood in Titusville, moving back from Colorado, social media, and made an appeal for everyone to try to work together, to be professional, be considerate and respectful.

William Adelman – 315 West Spruce Street

Announced he is running a write-in campaign for City Council.

Jon Crouch – 708 North Perry Street

Congratulated Tammy Champion.

Naomi Wescoat – 708 West Walnut Street

Confirmed Murdoch Boulevard would not be affected.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

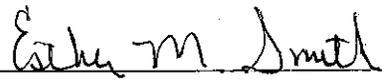
Newly appointed Councilwoman Tammy Champion thanked Council for their confidence in her. She addressed residents that are appear so concerned and vocal stating there were only two people who applied for the Council position. She thanked those who are going criticize, snip, and backbite but it was just her and John who stood up. She is looking forward to working with council and with anyone else who is going to get elected in November.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Frazier, second by Mr. Adelman and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

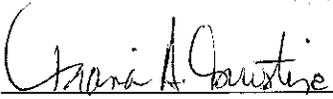
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

THIS 22nd DAY OF October, 2019



Mayor Esther M. Smith

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Council Meeting of September 24, 2019.



Diana A. Durstine, Recording Secretary