

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 17

The City of Germantown Council met in work session on February 21, 2017 at 7:25 p.m. in the City Building Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present: Mayor Stephen Boeder, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich, IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Lynn Koogler was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Pat Shively, Finance Director and Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council.

Mr. Johnson reviewed the proposed Baseball batting tunnel project. He handed out paperwork with maps and detailed information. This project would be paid for by VV Base. They have chosen the location due to the access to electric. He asked the Manager to have a meeting with the Service Director, the Township Street Superintendent and the President of VV Base to install all the fencing.

Discussion of proposed JEDD

Council discussed the proposed JEDD agreement. The Staff will schedule a joint meeting next week to include all entities that would be involved with the JEDD.

Downtown Clock

Council discussed the Downtown Clock which it is still in need of repair. Twin Valley Heritage Group and the Rotary Club are willing to donate funds to cover more than half of the cost to repair the clock. The total to repair the clock is an estimated \$9000.00. The consensus of Council was to ask Bob McClain to organize a committee to raise the funds for the remaining amount to repair the clock. The Mayor will contact Mr. McClain.

Review of IT and Phone System

Mrs. Gilleland updated Council on the new technology that has been implemented for the Administrative Staff. The technology is extremely outdated and we were in need of new computers, software. We are now looking into a new phone system. We are hoping to save money with a new system.

Audit

Ms. Shively briefly reviewed the 2013-2014 Audit. There were several findings, none being serious. These same findings will be on the 2015-2016 audit report as well since we just received the 2013-2014 report. She is hoping to have many of the findings resolved this year.

Income Tax Credit

Council discussed various changes to our current income tax credit. Council will discuss this again at the next Work Session.

Discussion on Smoking Ban in Parks

Council discussed the proposed smoking ban in the parks. Staff will prepare legislation that will include vaping for Council to review.

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Megan Lane Path

Council discussed issues with the dogs that neighbor the walking path and the fields at Kercher Park.

2017 Street Improvement Program

Mrs. Gilleland discussed the 2017 Street Improvement program with the Engineer and the Service Director. She would like to see some of the Downtown area streets included this year including portions of Main Street, Perry Street, Endress Avenue and Jefferson Street. This would be a Sami seal and would possibly hold for 10-15 years. The \$180,000.00 budget may allow us to do some of the Hillcrest area too.

Other Business

None.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Rettich moved to adjourn the meeting.

The work session was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Stephen A. Boeder
Mayor