

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 17

The City of Germantown Council met in work session on March 6, 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. Lynn Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich, IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Melanie Jayne, Tax Clerk and Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council.

Downtown Clock

Mrs. Gilleland updated Council on the Downtown Clock. Mr. McClain has agreed to do a mailer to the past donors who originally made the clock project possible. We will update Council with any information.

Income Tax Credit or Income Tax Increase

Mrs. Gilleland and Mrs. Jayne reviewed the various options for the current income tax credit and income tax rate increase. The consensus of Council was to move forward with a request on the November ballot to increase the current tax rate by .50%, thus making the new rate 1.75%.

Market Street Sidewalk Continuation

Council discussed the extension/completion of the sidewalk along Market Street and create a safer way to cross State Route 4. Staff will ask the City Engineer for suggestions and discuss this again at a later work session.

Discussion of Wetzel Lot Split

Mrs. Gilleland explained that in order to move forward with the requested Wetzel lot split we would have to annex a sliver of property so that the new lots would have roadway frontage. This is just a formality. German Township and Montgomery County would need to approve the annexation. The consensus of Council was to move forward with the necessary steps to complete the lot split.

Other Business

Mrs. Gilleland stated that the Law Director and she had met with the property owners next to the old water tower on Weaver Road, the Bolens. The site that we are hoping to acquire for the new water tower has been appraised and she has made contact with the Bolens to discuss a price. She will update Council with any updates.

Mayor Boeder had received complaints regarding the excessive noise from the school on Farmersville Pike. He will write a letter to Mr. Kozarec asking that the noise level be reduced so that it does not interrupt the neighbors to the school.

Council discussed the proposed JEDD agreement. The City will not move forward with any more discussion until after the election. We need to focus on the School Levy for now and not create confusion about how the JEDD would affect the school levy.

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

The work session adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Stephen A. Boeder
Mayor