

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 18

The City of Germantown Council met in work session on February 5, 2018 at 8:05 p.m. in the City Building Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present: Mayor Stephen Boeder, Mr. Terry Johnson; Mr. Lynn Koogler, 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; Roy McGill, Chief of Police; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

Business:

Discussion of a Policy for Naming Public Properties

The Law Director and Council reviewed and discussed the memo regarding naming a public property.

Discussion of Recognition of Police Service

The Law Director reviewed the proposed legislation regarding a Police Officer retiring and their service firearm and the badge most recently issued to them. The consensus of Council was to move forward with the proposed legislation.

Proposed Revisions to Meeting Agenda Format

The Law Director reviewed the proposed changes to the current agenda layout. The changes would place several items on a consent agenda such as minutes and appointment. This change would also place Department Heads under the Managers Report; if a Department Head were present they would have the opportunity to present their report. This change would not affect the Ordinances and/or Resolutions placed on the agenda. The consensus of Council was to move forward with the proposed legislation.

Historical Society-Camp Miami Items

The Law Director stated that the Historical Society did not feel comfortable signing an agreement with the City stating that they would not sell the items that were retrieved from Camp Miami for profit. The consensus of Council was for Staff to contact Dave Shortt with the Veterans Museum to see if he would be interested in the items and signing the agreement.

Discussion on Ballot Issues

The Law Director made contact with the Montgomery County Board of Elections to question if the City would be allowed to place both the reinstatement of the tax credit and an income tax increase as a joint ballot issue. According to the MCBOE, the City would be able to place both as one joint issue. Council asked that the Law Director look into several other ballot issues to be discussed at a later date.

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Discussion of Proposed Legislation-Police Department Vehicle Purchase

Mrs. Gilleland briefly reviewed the proposed legislation for Police Department vehicle purchase. A vehicle was included in the 2018 Police Department Budget. Discussion took place regarding the benefits of getting a SUV vs a sedan. The consensus of Council was for the Police Chief to provide Council with a comparison of costs between the SUV and the sedan to be discussed at a later date.

Discussion on Income Tax Credit

Council discussed and reviewed options for consideration that would generate approximately \$400,000.00. Several visitors asked additional questions and made comments. The consensus of Council would be to place this topic on the next Work Session to review again.

Set Dates for Coffee with Council

Council discussed the 2018 Coffee with Council Dates. The consensus of Council was to have one in April and one in October.

Set Date for Council Retreat

Council discussed the 2018 Council Retreat. The consensus of Council was for Staff to organize a Retreat for March at the Senior Center.

Other Business

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

The work session was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Stephen A. Boeder
Mayor