

MINUTES

THE COMMON COUNCIL

January 06, 2020

6:30 P.M.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CHARLESTOWN WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 06, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL WITH MAYOR, TREVA HODGES PRESIDING.

Council members present were: Ruthie Jackson, Brian Hester, BJ Steele, John Cox and Bo Bertram. Also present were Clerk Treasurer Donna Coomer, Common Council Attorney Michael Gillenwater and City Attorney Mickey Weber.

Pledge

All Common Council Members

Invocation

None

Agenda

Mayor Hodges asked for approval on the agenda.

Councilman Hester made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Approved 5-0.

Minutes, Claims and PR Voucher

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to approve the December 16, 2019 Minutes, seconded by Councilman Cox. Approved 5-0.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Jackson to approve the claims, seconded by Councilman Steele, Approved 5-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to approve the PR Voucher from 12/09/2019 to 01/04/2020, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Approved 5-0.

Public Comment

None

Ms. Leary signed up for public comment, then conceded her comment.

Ordinance 2019-OR-20

An Ordinance Sustaining Plan Commission Recommendation for an Amendment to the Zoning Maps of the City of Charlestown for the Gardens of Danbury and the Estates of Danbury Subdivision Planned Unit Development.

A motion was made by Councilman Cox to approve Ordinance 2019-OR-20 on the second and final reading, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Approved 5-0.

Ordinance 2020-OR-01

On December 16, 2019 the Board of Public Works approved two positions, a Captain and a Sergeants position in the Charlestown Police Department. The position for an Assistant Parks Director was also added in the Parks Department. This Ordinance amends the 2019-OR-13 Salary Ordinance

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to approve Ordinance 2020-OR-01, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Approved 5-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to suspend the rules on Ordinance 2020-OR-01, seconded by Councilman Cox. Approved 5-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to approve Ordinance 2020-OR-01 on the second and final reading, seconded by Councilman Cox. Approved 5-0.

Resolution 2020-R-1

This Resolution 2020-R-1 from the Common Council Attorney, Michael Gillenwater establishes the Rules of Conduct for the Common Council. The City Attorney Mickey Weber presented his proposed alternate version of the Rules of Conduct.

Councilman Cox made a motion to approve the alternate version for the Rules of Conduct. There was no second motion, therefore the motion dies.

There was a motion to approve the Resolution 2020-R-1 in its original form by Councilman Hester, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson.

Councilwoman Jackson said she is not ready to vote on this and asked for this to be tabled so she can compare the two Resolution's together.

A motion was made to table Resolution 2020-R-01 until the next meeting by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilman B.J. Steele. Approved 5-0.

Common Council's Attorney

Mayor Hodges presented a contract for legal services from Common Council Attorney Michael Gillenwater for legal services.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Jackson to approve the Contract for the Common Council's Attorney, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0.

Common Council President

Councilman Hester nominated Councilwoman Jackson for Common Council President. The nomination vote did not carry.

Councilman Cox nominated Councilman Hester and Mayor Hodges said the vote was unanimous. Approved 5-0.

Councilman Hester was elected Common Council President.

Board Appointments

Redevelopment Commission Appointments

1. Donna Ennis
2. Derek Combs
3. Gwen Moser
4. John Spencer *
5. BJ Steele *

Planning & Zoning Appointments

1. Harold Goodlett Jr.
2. Stefanie Wooten-Burnett
3. Tamsie Meurer
4. Kristen Pickerell
5. Ruthie Jackson *
6. Brian Hester *
7. Wayne Bergin *

Board of Zoning Appeals

1. Missy Martin
2. Tamsie Meurer
3. Dan James
4. Barry Early *
5. TBD by P&Z

These * are the Common Councils appointments for the Various Boards.

A motion was made by Councilman Hester to approve the Redevelopment Commission appointments of John Spencer and BJ Steele. The appointments of Ruthie Jackson, Brian Hester and Wayne Bergin on the Planning & Zoning Board. The appointment of Barry Early to the Board of Zoning Appeals, seconded by BJ Steele. Approved 5-0.

Common Council Members Updates

No Updates from Districts

Mayors Update

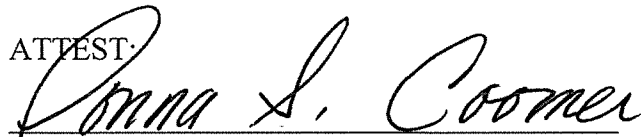
Mayor Hodges said she gladly accepts the help offered from the Clerk Treasurer's office and her team. She is looking forward to a productive four-year term.

Adjournment

Councilman Cox made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Bertram. Approved 5-0.


MAYOR, TREVA HODGES

02/11/2020
DATE

ATTEST:

CLERK TREASURER, DONNA S. COOMER

2/11/2020
DATE