

BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

The June 13,2023 Agenda Setting Meeting of the East Pittsburgh Council was called to order at 6:01 pm by Ms. Kennedy.

Ms. Hartford took the roll:

Present:

Mary Carol Kennedy, Council President

Mark Petri, Council Member

Ed Ruane, Council Member- Arrived at 6:10 pm

Absent:

Chad Nicholson, Council Member (Work)

Jonathan Reyes, Council Vice President

Other:

Markus Adams, Mayor

Denise Hartford, Borough Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Yvonne Lemelle, DCED, Governor's Center for Local Government Services, Local Government Policy Manager, is working with Gerald to develop partnerships between boroughs to establish a Regional Police Force.

Chief Gerald Simpson, Ret., DCED Police Peer Consultant.

Phase 1- Involves establishing a Charter Agreement between the boroughs of East Pittsburgh, North Braddock, and Rankin.

Phase 2- A Steering meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

This meeting will be more of an Empathy Meeting to gain information from the officers and an opportunity to ask questions and get cultural thoughts. The former officers will have an opportunity to reapply for a position with the Regional Police Department.

Mr. Simpson stated that the Regional Police Department hopefully will be in force by January 1,2024.

Alicia Banks

Alicia resides at 414 Howard St. She said that there is a car parked in the alley against the house on the corner by her house. There are no stickers on the car. She will try to get the license plate number and send it to the secretary. We will have our Code Enforcement Officer check into this.

Also, Alicia wanted to know what was going on with the property at 408 Howard St. belonging to William Geisler. There are a lot of people living in the house allegedly. She also stated that there is a lot of vehicle traffic at this house. This will need to be discussed with our Code Enforcement Officer.

She also had a question concerning alley paving behind her house.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Minutes will be voted on at the June 20,2023 Council Meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Motion to approve the use of the Quarry Field for the East Pittsburgh Basketball Clinic.
- b. Motion to approve the Police Regionalization Ordinance 936.
- c. The Blight Committee report will be presented at the council meeting.
- d. Motion to ratify the application for the 2023 Act 152 funds.
- e. Motion to ratify the Slums and Blight Resolution for the Act 52 Funds.
- f. The bids for the demolition of the gym will be advertised June 8th and June 15th, 2023.
The bids will be opened on June 27th per the TCVCOG.
- g. Date for Community Day.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Rankin Borough Support Letter
- b. Motion to approve the quote for the Playground Mulch.
- c. Motion to approve the Grant Resolution for the Alcosan Grow Program for \$59,000 budget allocation.
- d. Monthly reports and complaint log are enclosed to read and be prepared to discuss at the Council Meeting.
- e. Flyers for the Street Cleaning on June 28th and 30th will be distributed on June 22nd.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS:

- a. The Turtle Creek Water Shed Celebration will be on Saturday, June 24, 2023.
- b. Letter concerning Community Gardens in the borough.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Ruane made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Seconded by Mr. Petri.

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Hartford,
Borough Secretary