

CITY OF CLAIRTON
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2020
7:00 P.M.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic the meeting is being conducted via conference call. The meeting was open to the public by dialing in at 978-990-5435 and entering access code 296273#

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Mayor Richard L. Lattanzi, who asked **everyone** to please recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then have a moment of silent prayer.

Roll Call:

Councilman Richard Ford - Present
Councilwoman Denise Johnson-Clemmons – Present
Deputy Mayor Tony Kurta – Present
Councilwoman Lee Lasich – Present
Mayor Richard L. Lattanzi – Present
Also present – Deron Gabriel - Solicitor

OLD BUSINESS:

1. City Council met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss a legal matter.
2. Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich to approve the minutes of the April 14th, 2020 Legislative meeting of City Council. **All in favor – 5-0**

CITIZENS COMMENTS: No citizen comments

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Councilwoman Lasich, seconded by Councilman Ford approving Ordinance Number 1951 amending Ordinance No. 1946, establishing the real estate tax rate for fiscal year 2020 and imposing discounts, penalties and interest thereon. **All in favor – 5-0**
2. Motion Councilwoman Johnson-Clemmons, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving Ordinance No. 1952 amending Section 179-15 – Definitions of the Code of the City of Clairton dealing with the definition of Dangerous Domestic Animals. **All in favor – 5-0**

3. Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Mayor Lattanzi approving Ordinance No. 1953 amending Municipal Employees Pension Plan 02-069-N increase the pension multiplier as per collective bargaining agreements and authorizing the proper officials to sign any and all required agreements with the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System (PMRS). **All in favor – 5-0**
4. Motion by Deputy Mayor Kurta, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving Resolution No. 1748 to be included in the Allegheny County Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnerships Programs for CDBG Years 47 – 49, 2021, 2022 and 2023 and authorizing the proper officers to execute and sign the Cooperation Agreement between the City and Allegheny County. **All in favor – 5-0**
5. Motion by Councilwoman Lasich, seconded by Councilman Ford approving Resolution No. 1749 authorizing the submission of an application for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program. **All in favor – 5-0**
6. Motion by Mayor Lattanzi, seconded by Councilwoman Johnson-Clemmons approving Resolution No. 1750 authorizing the submission of an application under the Commonwealth Financing Agency Authority – Act 13 Grant Programs. **All in favor – 5-0**
7. Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving Resolution No. 1751 designating and authorizing City Manager / Finance Director, Howard J. Bednar as the designated agent to act on behalf of the City of Clairton in regards to the filing of any and all documents to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Pennsylvania Emergency management Agency (PEMA) for purpose of obtaining financial assistance for the COVID-19 – DR4506 Disaster under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. **All in favor – 5-0**
8. Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving the Brennsteiner Lot Consolidation Plan for 125 Waddell Avenue, Lot & Blocks: 878-F-205 and 878-F-207 as recommended by the City Planning Commission. **All in favor – 5-0**

9. Motion by Councilwoman Johnson-Clemmons, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving the Mon Valley Initiative Clairton Inn Consolidation Plan No. 1, Lot & Blocks: 879-H-84, 879-M-296, 879-M-292 and 879-M-290 as recommended by the City Planning Commission. **All in favor -5-0**

10. Motion by Deputy Mayor Kurta, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich approving a \$200.00 donation to LifeSpan in conjunction with the 2020 Highmark Virtual Walk for a Healthy Community for the benefit of older adults in Allegheny County. **All in favor – 5-0**

11. Motion by Councilwoman Lasich, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurta to ratify the hiring of Whistler Construction to do a cleaning of City Hall at a cost not to exceed \$ 4,980.00. **Motion passed 4-1**

Councilman Ford – No

Councilwoman Johnson-Clemmons – Yes

Deputy Mayor Kurta – Yes

Councilwoman Lasich – Yes

Mayor Lattanzi - Yes

12. Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich to approve and ratify expenditures for General Fund Warrant Nos. 04062020 for \$56,671.75, 04092020 for \$15,915.15 and 04242020 for \$66,461.47.

All in favor – 5-0

(Deputy Mayor Kurta abstained from voting on any Comcast bills)

Adjournment:

Motion by Councilman Ford, seconded by Councilwoman Lasich to adjourn the meeting. **All in favor – 5-0**

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Howard J. Bednar
City Manager / Finance Director

Richard L. Lattanzi, Mayor