Zoning and Annexation Committee Meeting Minutes Council Chambers, John Knisely Centre September 27, 2021

The Zoning and Annexation Committee meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the Committee Chairwoman, Cheryl Ramos. Committee members in attendance were Dan Lanzer, Aimee May, and alternate Rob Maurer. Other Council members in attendance were John Zucal, Kelly Ricklic. Also attending were Council Clerk Julie Courtright, Council President Don Kemp, Mayor Joel Day, Law Director Marvin Fete, Service Director Ron McAbier, Connie and Carl Russo, and a media representative.

PURPOSE: 1) To consider proposed Resolution 37-2021to annex Parcel Number 12-00257-001 currently in Dover Township in to the City and zone it business. This has been approved by the Dover Twp trustees, the County Commissioners and the New Phila Planning Commission (business zoning at September 2021 Planning Commission meeting). This is a right of way and owned by John Mako of Piedmont Gas Company. All Council has received pertinent information for this request. The \$100 annexation fee has been paid by Piedmont Gas.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Mr. Lanzer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. May, to add Resolution 37-2021 to the agenda at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. All voted in the affirmative and the motion was passed.

2) To continue considering the following: Proposed Resolution 32-2021 which would annex certain property owned by the City but located in: Goshen Township: 25-01174-000, 25-01175-000, 25-01176-000, 25-0177-000 (Schoenbrunn Meadows Cemetery on Delaware Drive SE) and 25-02000-003 (Southside Community Park) and in York Township: 71-00159-000 (Southside Community Park) And to authorize the Mayor to execute annexation petitions for city owned property.

Mayor Day has forwarded information from Jill Lengler at the County regarding contiguous parcels and that they would not confirm the parcels were contiguous to City owned property and a letter from the Goshen Township trustees denying the annexation request for various reasons.

DISCUSSION: The Chair turned the meeting over to Law Director Marvin Fete to explain the situation. The question is if the parcels in the townships but owned by the City are contiguous to parcels already in the City. Law Director Fete will continue to explore if a survey needs completed or an abstractor needs to be consulted.

After a discussion by Council members, the Law Director, and Administration present, it was decided that the Goshen Township trustees should be invited to the next Zoning and Annexation meeting to explain to the Council why they are refusing to grant the annexation. Mr. Fete will continue his research.

ACTION: The Zoning and Annexation Committee Chair will extend an invitation to the Goshen Township trustees to attend the next meeting, October 11 at 7 p.m.

With no other business to come before the Committee, Mr. Lanzer moved for adjournment at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Cheryl L. Kampos
Chairwoman

Archives of meetings can be found on the New Philadelphia City Facebook page.

Page 1 of 1