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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2010 - 7:30 PM

1. Invocation: Jeanette Eichenwald

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Roll Call

Councilpersons D'Amore, Donovan, Eichenwald, Guridy, O'Connell, and Schlossberg were present. John Marchetto represented the Solicitor's Office.

4. Courtesy of the Floor

Dennis Pearson, 942 E. Tilghman Street, stated that he learned that at the Allentown State Hospital it was the Philadelphia Representatives that put the Allentown State Hospital in Senate Bills. He stated that the Allentown Commercial and Industrial Development Authority currently owns 29 + acres of Allentown State Hospital land as of September 29, 2009. It is under the authority of Act 74 - 2007 and a transfer was made with James Creedon in charge of general services. He stated that ACIDA owns the land and the neighborhood association is displeased that the land is to be used for commercial and 55 houses.

Robert Toth, 1101 S. Harris Street, discussed the article in the newspaper about the administration considering putting fees on the Fish Hatchery. He stated that he is against that. He remembers going to the Fish Hatchery every year with his father. He stated that the administration is trying to squeeze out pennies from the constituents of Allentown when they should be shaving out nickels from their own budget.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that issue has not even come before City Council. She said that she agrees wholeheartedly. It is a proposal that floated from the administration.

Mr. Donovan stated that he was definitely against the fees when he heard it. He said they have a much bigger problem than a \$1 or \$2 fee would solve. It appears to him that they are grasping at pennies. He stated even though it was an idea that was floating around in departmental meeting.

Barbara Kromacher, 331 W. Fulton Street, stated that they are having problems with kids playing, riding and laying on skateboards down the streets. You can not see them when you are going down the street. They also take their scooters and throw them down on other people's property. They would tell an older woman to go inside and they would set firecrackers on her porch. They throw stones and break windows. They lifted up concrete to hold a basketball rim down. She stated that she spoke to Captain Schwartz many times he came out and he stated that the kids needed somewhere to play. She stated that they are not playing, they are vandalizing. She wanted to know why the parents are not notified. She stated that the elderly woman by her is scare and calls her three or four times a day.

Mr. D'Amore asked Mr. Bennington to take this matter directly to Assistant Chief Hanna or Chief McLean.

Mr. Bennington stated that he will take it to Chief MacLean.

David Hunt, 333 N. Fulton Street, he stated that he has been vigilant to take care of the neighborhood. He moved from New York and he left New York to avoid what he is seeing in his neighborhood. The kids are

vandalizing the neighborhood. There is no playing involved when you use vulgarity and you are throwing things and damaging property that does not belong to you. He stated that they have a landlord on their block and he repeatedly rents to unsatisfactory tenants. They are loud, abusive and destroy property as well. He asked what rights they have as homeowners to minimize that problem.

Mr. D'Amore asked for the address of that rental property.

Mr. Hunt stated 329 N. Fulton Street.

Mr. D'Amore stated that they have Ordinances in the city that may be able to assist Mr. Hunt.

Mr. Hunt stated that the neighborhood is not a multitude of problems. It is mostly renters who are parents to these children and he does not know why they migrate to the block.

Mr. Donovan thanked them for bringing it up and Mr. Romancheck brought it up regarding his neighborhood. He stated that he spoke to an officer over the weekend and there is an epidemic of not wanting to listen to anyone. He stated that it is important for the city, the schools and organizations to influence parents to put discipline in the city.

Mr. D'Amore stated that Chief MacLean has just come in and asked Mr. Bennington to bring the Chief up to speed.

Mr. Romancheck, stated that they have to put up with this all of the time. He stated that there is a propensity of people walking down the street pushing baby carriages and do not walk on the pavement. He stated that is dangerous. He stated that he thinks they want people to hit them so they can sue them. He stated that Mr. Donovan and he filed the Ethics complaint that they had. He stated that he wanted to read them something that he received from Attorney Malkames. He stated that it was no hearing, only for the official on the board and he thinks they met online and no one met with the contractors so he does not know how they came up with an opinion of the Board of Ethics. He asked them to do something about it. He stated that he understands that someone that was working for the city, Kevin Easterling which was in the newspaper left his position and before he left his position there were checks made out to the city. He stated that when something like that happens, he believes maybe they stole and giving it back. If it was theft, it is not a personnel issue, it is a crime issue.

Mr. Ken Laudenslager, 721 W. Cumberland Street, stated as president of Fairview Crime Watch he is very much involved in an initiative that the president's council has been working on called Citizens on Patrol. He stated that the committee is looking for a joint letter so they can start trying to gain financial support from the business community. They had a meeting with the administration, city council, and the police department signed off on it and at the meeting it sounded that the letter will come about. They are hearing misrepresentation and misunderstanding of what the letter is about. He stated that the letter is the intension that everyone is behind the initiatives.

Mr. D'Amore stated that as an individual he is fine with writing the letter. He stated that he was not sure if the Mayor and Chief MacLean committed to signing on to the letter. He stated that he would do it as an individual and if members of council want to do it, he would do it as a member of council.

Mr. Laudenslager stated that it was for every member of council to sign as members of council.

Mr. D'Amore stated he cannot speak for everyone else.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that she totally agrees count her in.

Mr. Guridy agreed.

Mr. Donovan stated that he will have to regretfully not sign the letter because he has issues with some of the ideas about Citizen on Patrol. He stated that he apologizes, but he has some issues with it.

Mr. Laudenslager asked Mr. Donovan to bring those issues forward to them sometime.

Mr. Tony Phillips, 439 Ridge Avenue, he stated that it is a Noise Ordinance and when you have an issue the tenants will be removed because they will go before the gentleman behind them from the Disruptive Conduct Board if they are in fact guilty as charged they will be evicted by the city if they have three complaints and a letter will go to the landlord asking them to evict those individuals. He stated that it is a process and once they get three it will all kick in and in a twelve month period, it will happen. He stated that he was a part of the board at one point. He stated that he was just out in the rain with a couple of their colleagues yesterday for the dedication for Richard Slattery. He stated from his recollection from the Ordinance that they approved. It does not suppose to be on the building, but on field # 2. They put the dedication on field #1 and he wants them to rectify the problem. Field #1 may not belong to the organization that is now occupying it. Diamond #1 belongs to the school district and Diamond #2 belongs to the city.

Mr. O'Connell stated that it was a very nice ceremony and Richard Slattery deserving the honor, but point of order and Mr. Phillips is absolutely right that school district's buildings should be referred and named by school district's personnel. He stated that he was hypocritical to say they should dedicate Union Terrace field #1. They do not own it. Being not hypocritical he totally agrees with Mr. Phillips that Union Terrace field #1 is owned by Allentown School District. From the building over of Union Terrace #2 is owned by the city. He would wholeheartedly say to the administration, get that plague moved and put it at the right place Union Terrace field #2 which is owned by the city.

Mr. Donovan stated that he apologized, but had another commitment.

Mr. Phillips stated that it is not a school district's building. He stated that the Park issue may be a personnel matter by the city administration, but it really isn't. This money came from a federal grant. It was a faith based program. The council should look at issues that might be criminal, but could also lead to them having issues for other grants and is audited. It may limit them for future grants.

Mr. O'Connell stated that his understanding was that money that was returned to the city was and Mr. Phillips is under the impression that it was giving to them for faith based initiatives such midnight basketball and boxing. He stated his understanding was that money was for the entrance fees for the high school basketball league that is ran in the summer by city recreation and subcontracted out by Glenn Klyne to run the high school basketball league.

Mr. D'Amore stated that this matter was covered in an executive session. He stated that they probably can not speak any further with this issue other than hearing what he has to say.

Mr. Phillips stated that he is really flabbergasted that this has been not been handled in a legal matter and someone would be able to walk away from this is someone that is not above board.

Mr. Eichenwald stated that she was never in an executive session about this. She stated that she heard bits and pieces and think that this is the appropriately way to go and thanked Mr. Phillips for coming.

Mr. Donovan stated to Mr. Phillips that the message that he brought is an issue that cannot be ignored.

Mr. O'Connell stated that he was never in executive session regarding Kevin Easterling and his resignation.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he apologize to council for stating they were in an executive session. He believes that Mr. Donovan and he had a confidential discussion with Mr. Bennington on this matter and apologized to his colleagues.

Mr. Donovan stated that it was part of the discussion as officer of Council in the weekly meeting. He stated that he expressed that this matter needs be looked at more closely.

Mr. Hershman stated Mr. Romancheck raised a good point on Bill Malkames. He stated that the way he reads the Ethics Code, if anybody was hired you have to pay somebody. If he was hired to sit on the Ethics Board, how much did they pay this guy?

Mr. D'Amore stated that this is a fair question and that Attorney Malkames was secured for the Ethics Board because there needs to be an attorney at these proceedings and the attorney who is on the board had to recuse himself for professional reasons. He asked John Marchetto is that correct, there needs to be an attorney at these meetings and that is how Mr. Malkames became a temporary spokesperson.

Mr. Marchetto stated that his reading of the Ordinance is that one of the members of the Ethics Board has to be an attorney and therefore they would not need to hire an outside attorney because one of their members would have that knowledge since that member did recuse himself the board did not want to be without legal counsel and they chose their legal counsel and hired him.

Mr. D'Amore stated that it would be a matter of public record of what Mr. Malkames was hired for. He stated that they can find out that answer.

Mr. Marchetto stated yes.

Mr. Hershman stated that rule number one is if they read the Ethics Code, the council pays for this bill. He stated that anyone that serves on the Ethics Board such as Mr. Malkames is a cost to council. The council should have approved this guy before the Solicitor's office hired him. He stated that he sent them a memorandum and he wants the report to know what these contributions that the Mayor has been receiving. He stated that he has been requesting this from the council and sent them a private fax.

Mr. D'Amore asked what particular contributions.

Mr. Hershman stated the city solicitor's contribution and there is about \$60 or \$70,000 already solicited. It is in the budget. The administration told council the money is going to be used to pay for Act 47 study. Council has to budget this money for Act 47 study. They can not just go and spend it without council authorizing it. They have to take the money from contributions to pay for the study.

Ms. Eichenwald said that her comments goes back to the Ethics Committee and asked Mr. Marchetto is it part of the part of the statute of Ethics Committee that the members can choose an attorney or appoint someone instead of an attorney who recues himself.

Mr. Marchetto stated that they did not appoint an attorney as a board member. They appointed an attorney as counsel to the board. Mr. Malkames worked at their direction. He stated that he wanted to correct Mr. Hershman and stated that the solicitor's office did not hire Mr. Malkames and the Ordinance also does state that council shall appropriate the funds for the board to do what ever they need to do. Board operates under their own power and they suppose to report to council. The administration is away from the Ethics Board.

Ms. Eichenwald asked if council has a vested interested, does council have the right to hire an attorney.

Mr. Marchetto stated no.

Ms. Eichenwald asked did the Ethics Board only have that right.

Mr. Marchetto asked what Ms. Eichenwald meant by vested interest.

Ms. Eichenwald said if it is a case that they bring.

Mr. D'Amore said that he does not think that council as an institution can bring a case to the Ethics Board and asked was that correct.

Mr. Marchetto stated that he did not know. If council is a body that can vote.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that she read the statute and it is vague about that.

Mr. Marchetto stated council rights to bring a matter before the Ethics Board regarding another public official there are a whole host of procedure maneuvers that would have to happen. Whether it goes to the Ethics Board or the State Ethics Board. It is beyond the scope of this conversation or his present knowledge without looking at it more specifically and having a more detailed fact he would have to give her an answer.

Mr. D'Amore stated that on the question on contributions to the city in which he believes they are talking about he said after sitting on the council for eight years that Mr. Hershman knows every contribution that comes to the city needs to be accepted by city council by ordinance and then allocated to a budget line.

Mr. Hershman stated that he is waiting for it.

Mr. D'Amore stated that they do it on a regular basis. They accept contributions. They allocate them and there are a number of ordinances that are to that effect.

Mr. Hershman stated that if Mr. D'Amore looks at the finance report there is \$50,000 accepted by the City of Allentown in Ordinance #13209 if they look on their computer. It says there should be a quarterly report made on all contributions made by the City of Allentown made public and submitted to city council. He stated that the finance director stated that they use the money for the contribution. He asked when they are going to allocate this money or appropriate this money to pay for the study.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he is going to go to Mr. Donovan because he may have something to add.

Mr. Donovan asked Mr. Bennington if there will be a source of funds. He asked when does that money come through.

Mr. Bennington stated that he did not understand the question. He thought it was about the contributions. He stated that he does have the listing of the five-year plan.

Mr. Donovan asked has the money actually come to the city.

Mr. Bennington stated that he could not answer that. He does know that it was broken to \$67,000 from a DCED grant and there was a donation of \$25,000 from Air Products and \$15,000 Century Fund and \$15,000 from PPL and the city budgeted \$11,000 for a total of \$133,000 so that made up the five-year plan budget.

Mr. Hershman stated they have to pay for it, but council has to appropriate it.

Mr. Donovan stated that he would agree with him that money is coming in as a donation. He suspects the money has not arrived yet and the appropriate bills have not been prepared.

Mr. Bennington stated that he does not know that answer.

Mr. Donovan stated that given that in other situations where the donations he made to the Parks department had a bill. He stated that he suspects that the money has not come in yet.

Mr. Bennington stated that there are a bunch of contributions even on the agenda tonight. They bring all contributions in Ordinance form to City Council.

Mr. Donovan stated that it is a timing issue. They know who the pledge has been made by.

Mr. Hershman stated that he knows that his time is up now, but if they read Section 130.15 B, it says the administration shall not accept any contribution that has a restriction in city funds unless authorized by city council.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he understands that sir and he believes that Mr. Hershman received his answer.

Mr. Hershman stated that council did not authorize it.

Mr. D'Amore asked Mr. Hoffman did his office receive anything that would indicate to him that the City of Allentown spent any money on a five-plan as of this date.

Mr. Hoffman stated that he has not seen any checks cut.

Mr. D'Amore stated that they can not allocate money until they get it and he agrees with Mr. Donovan that if it happens and they find out that the administration has spent money without city council allocating it, he would be the first one to say they will take action.

5. Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2010

Minutes approved by common consent

6. Old Business:

Mr. Donovan stated that he does wish to bring up the issue on sewage. A month and a half ago his wife and he were waling up near the Fish Hatchery by I-78 and they had a very distinct smell of raw sewage right next to LCA and some other citizens noticed problems by the creek by the lake. There are some issues because of the inches of rain. He stated that LCA may be causing damage to the sewage.

Mr. Young stated there was 8.08 inches of rain in two days. He stated that he has water in his basement. They are in conversation with LCA and others to try to reduce I & I (Infiltration and Inflow). The inflow is significant in the systems. They had overflows at the parks and they did a bypass at the plant for over 13 hours. They have a pipe that all the sewage goes into the plant. They have a pipe that goes right to the barscreen to the Little Lehigh. The plant is doing 40 million gallons a day. In peak conditions they get to 85 million dollars a day. They had a peak flow of 87 million. They had a 5.3 million of sewage that was bypassed. A condition that causes a bypass is a lot of rain water in the sewage system and it is very diluted. They report each incident DEP and in writing within five days. They have a draft of recommendations; they do not have a final document.

Mr. Donovan stated that it is a very serious strategic issue for the city. It was not raining when he smelled it. He stated that they need to be aware of it. He thanked Mr. Young for coming.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that he knows that they had a conversation, but said that it is a long-time strategy that is being developed in order to address the I & I concerns and address the sewer concerns.

Mr. Young stated that they Plan is not just for Allentown, they have fourteen municipalities that they serve. All fourteen are going through the same thing.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that it is an unfortunate thing when they do the bypass if necessary to avoid more damage to our systems it is something that they have to figure out and mitigate to make the necessary upgrades. He stated that Mr. Young has given them his word that the process is in place and he is certainly willing to take him up on that.

Mr. O'Connell thanked Mr. Young and stated that they did have residents come to them about the raw sewage in Little Lehigh. He asked the administration if this should happen in the future can they get an email to city council.

Mr. Bennington stated yes.

Note: transfers are part of the agenda, available on the back table, and will be attached to the minutes of this council meeting.

7. Communications

Mr. Donovan stated council passed an Ordinance early this summer requesting certain permission to prepare an annual report and he has complimented the Human Relations Commissions and the Ethics Board have submitted their Annual Reports and provided good information. The Parking Authority is in the process. Mr. Weitzel has the Recreation Department and that is coming soon and the Arts Commission is coming. He stated that Ms. Eichenwald and he will be meeting with the new Planning Commission representative today and they may want the Planning Commission to make annual recommendations to them in terms of opportunities for good public policy. He attended the CACLV annual meeting and they have a new video and Seventh Street was formally presented as something of a project to the city and he thought it was a good showing and what is happening with Peter Lewnes on Seventh Street.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that the internal communications. She stated that she would strongly urge that when an Ordinance is about to be presented it should first go to the Solicitor when appropriate before it goes on the Agenda. She stated that in the last couple of weeks that a Bill will appear on the initial agenda and it will then go to the solicitor and then removed, but once it becomes a part of the public agenda it becomes a part of the conversation. She stated for their internal communication, the best way to proceed is if one wants to introduce a bill or an ordinance it should first go to the solicitor before it makes its initial appearance on the agenda when it is appropriate.

Mr. O'Connell stated that he strongly echoes Ms. Eichenwald. It takes a lot of the guess work and where are they get a draft and they get a solicitor's opinion then they refine it again. He stated procedural wise and protocol would be the smartest thing to go about it.

Mr. D'Amore stated that the budget schedule has been established by city council and distributed and that would be made public and they will have a number of budget hearings in the month of November and they have been set. They had an executive session tonight on a matter of litigation in regards to the City of Allentown.

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

Budget and Finance: Chairperson Donovan – They met on September 22nd and the next meeting is scheduled for October 27th at 6:30 PM and at their last meeting they reviewed the financial statements and discussed briefly the pension funding situation. They discussed the city maintaining their BBB+ bond rating with a slight shift from positive to stable. He stated it is not derogation, but a watch status giving the economy. The unfunded liability is a serious issue. He stated that Mr. O'Connell and he are representatives of council to the administration five year plan and they had a second meeting and they reviewed the financial situations of the

last few years and had a good decision on the risks the city face in the future. They review the PFM Model that is being used to understand the impact on the options they may make in the future. They city focused on the various constraints that they all face on the county, state and federal level. It puts them at a very serious situation.

Public Safety: Chairperson Guridy – The committee met this evening prior to council meeting. They have four bills to discuss. They also have a resolution on the 911 and that will be discussed as well. It is R50. They had a discussion with Chief MacLean on the crime statistics in the city. They are going to look at the Police over-time. They talked about how many police officers they have and what type of crime and statistics there are and they will get it from the state which will be a cleaner and supervised before it goes out to the public. The next meeting is scheduled for November 3rd at 6:30 PM.

Community and Economic Development: Chairperson Schweyer – Mr. Schlossberg stated the committee has not met. It has been arranged for Tuesday, October 12th.

Parks and Recreation: Chairperson Ray O’Connell – The next meeting is Wednesday, October 20th at 6:30 PM.

Public Works: Chairperson Schlossberg – No meeting has been held since the last council meeting. A future meeting has not been scheduled.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chairperson Eichenwald – The meeting was held this evening and bill 49 which was under consideration has been tabled. It will reappear after they do additional thinking about how many days are necessary to have the information up and running on the website.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chairperson D’Amore – There has been no meeting and no report.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Donovan stated for the last couple of months he sat on a sub-committee of AEDC for its strategic plan and he believes that the committee has done a very good job and they have submitted the draft for the board to review. He would say the Scott Unger and Mat Tuerk have done a very good job. He thinks that council would like to see that when it comes out because it is a good focus from AEDC that everyone would appropriate.

Mr. Guridy stated that the Housing Authority board met and the commission had a strategic planning board retreat at Overlook Park Community Center to set up a five-year plan for the Housing Authority. They also had a regular meeting in September in discussed submitting an application for a federal grant that would be several million dollar extension grant and if they get the grant the Jordan Heights section which is primary from Hamilton to Tilghman and Jordan to Seventh Street and there is a committee and it would be an area to target. He stated that it is a very competitive grant and there are five in the nation. If they would get it, it would be a plus and if they do not then they would apply next year.

Mr. O’Connell stated that last Tuesday they met with the Allentown School District and the Partnership Taskforce. Mr. Donovan is on that committee and Ernie Atiyeh is on that committee. They are making progress. They are working with the Allentown Police Department and Chief MacLean is represented by Captain Schwartz. They have concerns about Allen at dismissal time and Dieruff at dismissal time and what they initially implemented the 5 or 6 buses coming from the Voc. Tech. would drop off students at Allen who are involved in extracurricular activities the sports, the chorus, the bands, etc. and the remaining students will get dispersed at the elementary schools downtown and same with Dieruff they would take buses from LDTI and they will be dispersed on the south side and the east side. They are looking at increasing the number of buses that would exit Allen. The principals are putting a proposal on how many buses they would need to get more kids out of the main flow at the end of the school day and get them closer to their neighborhoods. The next

would be an Alternative Educational School. They are looking at getting their most disruptive students from the middle schools and high schools to an Alternative Educational Site where they can get a fine education, but they will not disrupting the students that want to learn and giving them a safe and this is important. He stated that he is a big believer in this for years. The Alternative Education site will open November 1st at Jackson Elementary School which is the Luis Ramos Elemental School and necessary staff will be in place. This is a major step forward for all students at the Allentown School District. The next issue they are going to tackle is uniforms. He knows people that say uniforms are a good idea and uniforms are not going to solve the problem. He stated that he realizes that, but it is something they should do research on and get data and see if it would improve the overall behavior. That would be a major undertaking and would take some time. He stated that he wanted to thank Ernie for being on that committee.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that the Ad Hoc Technology held its first meeting early today and it was a very interesting meeting. They had representative from Public Works, Finance, Public Safety and IT department and a few from private section. They had a general overview of their IT system and what struck him is that portions of the city operations are still using systems that are over 25 years old. That is mindboggling and he can not imagine a private section organization operating with a system that is over 25 years old. It dramatically affects their ability to operate their systems efficiently and save the taxpayer's money. They are looking at ways to conduct upgrades and expand their IT to make it more useful to city employees and taxpayers as a whole. The next meeting will be at 1:00 PM on November 3rd in the 5th floor Conference Room and it is open to the public and encouraged his colleagues to attend.

CONTROLLER'S REPORT

Mr. Hoffman stated that he did not recall any payments to PFM, but he will go back and check to see if forgot about it or missed in the past month or so and he will let council know.

9. APPOINTMENTS:

Chris Brown, Planning Commission

Ms. Eichenwald stated that Mr. Donovan and she met with Chris Brown who is interested in serving on the Planning Commission. They had a productive conversation and it was the first time they implemented this new policy that members of the Planning Commission would meet with the Appointment Committee and they would have a discussion so they can have a better opportunity to see what their concerns are and listen to their viewpoints. She stated that Mr. Donovan and she were very pleased to sit with Mr. Brown and she highly recommends his recommendation for appointment. She stated by profession, he is a commercial landscape designer and Chair of the Shade Tree Commission and is much involved in Old Allentown. She stated that he is an outstanding choice for this appointment and urged her colleagues to appoint Mr. Brown to the Planning Commission.

Resolution passed, 6 – 0

10. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

Bill 49 was removed from the agenda

Bill 49 Campaign Finance Reports

Amending Article 171, Code of Ethics, by requiring that copies of campaign finance reports for candidates running for the offices of Council, Mayor and City Controller be filed with the Clerk's Office before or on the due date such candidates must file with the County of Lehigh as mandated by State law and that such reports be posted on the City's Website no later than ten working days after the due date.

Has been removed

Bill 53 EMS Strike Team

Amending the 2010 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars as a result of a grant from the Eastern Pennsylvania EMS (Emergency Medical Services) Council to the City of Allentown

Paramedics for equipment to enhance the readiness of our bureau's participation in the Regional Disaster Emergency Medical Services 'Strike Team'.

Ordinance passed, 6 – 0

Bill 54 Police Testing Funds

Amending the 2010 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars in revenue from the 2010 Police applicants Civil Service testing.

Ordinance passed, 6 – 0

Bill 56 EMS Iron Pigs OT

Amending the 2010 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty (\$22,960) Dollars as a result of payment from the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Baseball Team to the City of Allentown Paramedics for providing on-site Emergency Medical Services during baseball games at Coca-Cola park for the months of APRIL, MAY, JUNE and JULY 2010

Ordinance passed, 6 – 0

Bill 57 EMS Donation

Amending the 2010 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Thousand (\$2,000) dollars as a result of a donation from the Lehigh Valley Half Marathon to the City of Allentown Paramedics for providing needed EMS services for the event over the last three years.

Ordinance passed, 6 – 0

11. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

Bill 60 2009 IFC Code (2)

Referred to Public Safety

Adopting the 2009 International Fire Code as amended

Bill 61 Firework Prohibition

Referred to Public Safety

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, adopted in conjunction with the adoption of the 2009 International Fire Code, as amended, prohibiting the sale of fireworks within the City limits, prescribing penalties for the violation thereof and repealing all other ordinances inconsistent herewith

12. CONSENT AGENDA: None

13. RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING: None

14. RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING:

R 47 215-221 Fenwick Street Sewage Plan Module

Referred to Public Works

Adopts and authorizes submission to the Department of Environmental Protection for its approval as a revision to the "Official Sewage Facilities Plan" the proposed development of a parcel of land identified at 215–221 N. Fenwick Street

R 48 MAIN STREET EXIT ALLOCATION

Authorizes Execution of 7th Street Main Street Grant Allocation in the amount of \$60,000 for Operations and \$60,000 for the Façade Program

Resolution passed, 6 – 0

R 49 ENTERPRISE ZONE YR3 GRANT

Authorizes Submission of a Grant Application for the Enterprise Zone Program in the amount of \$50,000 for program operating expenses

Resolution passed, 6 – 0

R 50 911 Plan

Approving the 9-1-1 Triennial Plan – 2011 through 2013

Resolution passed, 6 - 0

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. GOOD AND WELFARE

Mr. O'Connell stated they had nine people speak at courtesy of the floor for comments and/or concerns they have with the city. All are well received and respected and he wanted to say that courtesy of the floor tonight was very refreshing.

Mr. Guridy stated it is Hispanic Heritage Month which runs from September 15th to October 15th and a very acclaim Spanish singer that happens to be from the Dominican Republic is coming to Symphony Hall and HOLA is a sponsor of this event on Friday, the 8th at Symphony Hall and it is a cost to it. He stated if they have not been to Symphony Hall, they should go and if they like Spanish music, it would be a good person to listen to and they are all invited at their own expense.

17. ADJOURNED: 9:00 PM