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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 1- COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30 PM

- 1. Invocation: Jeanette Eichenwald**
- 2. Pledge to the Flag**
- 3. Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM: D'Amore, Donovan, Eichenwald, Guridy, O'Connell, Schweyer, and Schlossberg were present. John Marchetto represented for the Solicitor's office.

4. Courtesy of the Floor

Bill Villa, Allentown, stated that after the July 16th visit to the Council meeting, Mr. Donovan has deleted the comments on his blog for the entire month of March 2010. He requested an apology for the posting of the comments.

Mike Molovinsky, taxpayer in Allentown, stated that hundreds of people stood in 95 degree heat for hours hoping for an opportunity to get a job. He spoke about August 10th when Mr. D'Amore went to T-Mobile Center asking the guard to speak to the Vice President of T-Mobile about organizing a union. He asked Mr. D'Amore to distance himself from Mr. Barron's remarks.

Bob Romancheck, S. 16th Street, Allentown, thanked Council and the Mayor for resurfacing his street. He asked Council to do something about Bill Villa making comments week after week. He stated that Mr. D'Amore was out of line at T-Mobile.

Lou Hershman, Allentown, stated that he sent Council a memorandum in reference to Act 47 early intervention program. He stated that the report is 800 pages and they should review the report before they spend more money. He asked where they will get the money from. He stated that Council asked the Mayor to take a five (5) percent cut in pay, and asked did the Mayor get back to them. He asked Council if they were willing to take a five (5) percent cut.

Mr. D'Amore stated that the Mayor has not gotten back to them and he is willing to do exactly what the Mayor is prepared to do.

Mr. Donovan asked for clarification of the five year plan that was discussed last week. He stated that happened before he came on board and the proposed plan is not financed with city money. He stated that the new one is financed outside.

Mr. Hershman stated that yes the five year plan and it was based on an Early Intervention Program.

Mr. Gary Strathearn stated that a portion of the plan a full third or almost a half has been financed through corporate contributions, the state has put in \$70,000 and the city will make up the balance of what they can not get on the corporate side. He stated that when he hears comments that it is a waste of money, he has to take exception to that because if they look at what the Ratings Agencies are looking at of the three (3) basic things in terms of financial strength of an entity whether it be the school district, region, state, or city such as Allentown, clearly one of the most important things is long-term planning. The need to have the Early Intervention Program came about as part of the Governors Economic Development program about seven (7) years ago. The Ratings Agencies admire the fact that municipalities when you look at the Financial Assessment Model that S&P puts out of the three criteria, one is the long-term planning. He stated that is an essential part of long-term planning any entity going forward in these economic times.

Mr. Donovan asked when the last plan was four or five years ago.

Mr. Hershman stated that it was August 3, 2005.

Mr. Donovan stated that while he has gone on record stating that the last Plan was a good one and felt that the Administration was chipping away at the recommendations and the economy has hit them and he has been vocal about that in the past. It is time to do a Plan and it is being financed.

Mr. Hershman stated that they should utilize what they have now and do not spend money until they fully explore what they have. The Finance Director stated about corporate sponsors. Under the City Charter they have to make it available to the public.

Mr. Strathearn stated that they will make it public.

5. Approval of Minutes: August 18, 2010

Minutes were approved by common consent.

6. Old Business

7. Communications

Note the executive session – there were two:

- 1. Personnel matter relating to the solicitor's office.**
- 2. Discuss a personnel issue in the Fire Department**

Mr. D'Amore stated that he received a letter from the Mayor regarding the Police Pension Board Meeting and read:

At the Police Pension Board meeting today, an important issue was raised that I would like to rectify with the approval of city council. There is a question as to the disability pension eligibility of an officer injured in the line of duty who has less than 5 years of service on the job.

The current pension ordinance that governs the Board's decisions is clear in its requirement for 5 years of continuous service for eligibility to obtain a disability pension. Hence, if one of our police officers with less than 5 years of service is declared disabled as a result of performing his/her duties, the Board is obligated to deny that officer pension coverage.

Our officers deserve better protection than this. Therefore I plan to introduce an ordinance that balances fairness to these brave men and women who put their lives at risk for our City every day with the fiduciary responsibilities it has to all the members of the retirement plan.

I am hopeful that I will have the support of you and your colleagues on Council to reconcile this important issue. I will forward a draft ordinance in the near future for action by city council.

Thank you.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he thanks the Mayor for the memo, but said to Mr. Bennington that the reason why he read the memo into the record is he believes that this is a perfect opportunity for them to engage in cooperative policy making rather than receive a draft from the Mayor's office. Mr. D'Amore feels that it is important that the City Council plays a role in drafting the legislation and asked if Mr. Bennington is willing to translate that message to the Mayor. He stated that Mr. Guridy as the Chair of the Public Safety Committee and himself are two of the appropriate Council members to participate in this process and feels that any Council members that wishes to should be invited as well.

Mr. Bennington stated that it is important that he is hopeful in support of Mr. D'Amore or his colleagues to reconcile this important issue. He believes the Mayor is talking about reconciliation between the Administration and Council.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he would agree, but in the next sentence he (Mayor) stated that he would forward a draft which Mr. D'Amore believes that it would be more a positive step if they worked on that draft together.

Mr. Donovan stated that he was going to report of this for the other committees. He attended that meeting today and it is a significant issue for Council and the Mayor did say in the meeting that this was something Council is responsible to look at because it was a need to strictly interpret the Policy of the current Pension Ordinance. He was going to bring that to Council and he feels that this is something that could be worked out. There are a variety of issues governing this and he thinks it is an important one that needs be addressed.

Mr. D'Amore thanked Mr. Donovan and stated that Mr. Donovan should play an important role in this since he does sit on the Pension Board. He asked Mr. Bennington to pass those messages on to the Mayor and hoping they will receive a positive response from him.

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

Committee of the Whole:

A Committee of the Whole meeting has been scheduled for September 15th at 6:30 PM to discuss the appointment process.

Budget and Finance: Chairperson Donovan

They met last week with the primary item on the Agenda the CAFR report. It was close to a Committee of the Whole. 2009 as it was reported was not a strong year, 2010 seems to be going along well, and 2011 will be a tough year. The city because of its slow economic growth has been limping along for a few years and it will continue. They made a request to the Controller and he was going to give them information because they chatted about internal auditing last week. The next meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at 6:30 PM.

Public Safety: Chairperson Guridy

The Committee met this evening. Mr. Guridy stated that they had a Public Safety meeting and they took a recess to discuss personnel issues that is not a public issue and will not be discussed in public. The only issue was the discussion of the Budget of the Fire department. The main discussion was on Premium Pay has gone up and there have been transfers. He stated that hopefully by the end of the year, they will have a balanced budget. They were told it will be a lean budget in November; the next meeting is scheduled for October 6th at 6:30 PM.

Mr. Donovan stated that he believes that the Administration has taken some good steps to cover the deficit and accounts for other deficits that seem to be aligned.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that there has been a rash of hotel robberies in the Valley, three in three days. He asked have they communicated at all with hotels within the city limits encouraging them to be a little more aware and is there any additional security in place right now.

Mr. Bennington stated that he will talk to the Chief and when he finds out, he will let them know.

Community and Economic Development: Chairperson Schweyer

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for September 8th at 6:30 PM to review the proposed zoning amendments. The goal is to have a public dialog where the Administration, and the Department of Community and Economic Development are with the Zoning Ordinance that they received a couple of months ago. This is where they are after the four Community meetings that they had after individual comments that they had. He knows that they have questions and comments and stated that this is the updated version. The hope is to have an honest and fair dialog about the changes.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that she took note that Mr. Schweyer encourages them to attend, but September the 8th is Rosh Hashanah and asked if he could reconsider the date.

Parks and Recreation: Chairperson Ray O'Connell

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for September 15th.

Mr. Schweyer stated that the Shade Tree Commission Ordinance and asked Mr. Bennington to ask Mr. Weitzel, Mr. Brown who is the Chairperson for the Shade Tree Commission set up something with Ray, himself, and any other members that are interested to give them a heads up on where they are going.

Public Works: Chairperson Schlossberg

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting has not yet been scheduled yet. Mr. Schlossberg stated that they will be meeting before their next Council meeting.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chairperson Eichenwald

The Committee will meet on September 15th to discuss the appointment process and they have a very important appointment on tonight's agenda; a future meeting needs to be scheduled for the campaign finance bill being introduced tonight.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chairperson D'Amore

The Committee met last week; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

These are listed here on your agenda if you want to give a report: - they are not listed on the public's agenda

Blighted Property Review Board - Councilperson Schweyer

AEDC - Councilperson Donovan

Arts Commission – Councilperson Donovan

Housing Authority – Councilperson Guridy

The Housing Authority Board met last week. No major issues. They are in negotiations with the Teamster Union and looking at personnel changes that may come down on the Administrative side. He will provide Council with copies of the minutes.

Safety Task Force – School District – Councilperson O'Connell

Human Relations - Councilperson Eichenwald

CONTROLLER’S REPORT

Mr. Hoffman stated that at last week’s Budget and Finance meeting he did pass a piece of paper out and gave them a copy that night. He is attempting to lay out the functions of the Controller’s office. He believes that internal audit is an on-going annual process. He stated that this is an attempt to show them what they are trying to undertake. He said what the list does is show them what they want to do, what they plan to do, and they have a right to add to it and delete. They want to do these every year. They try to touch on those areas that have to do with the acceptance of cash, the process of payments, and could it be the process of fraud or things are just done wrong so things are directed in the right areas. He thinks it is a very important one. Make sure the City has collected money that they should collect. Make sure that the city has not been paid something it should not be paid. It is important for any organization to have this. This is something that makes the organizations more sound.

Mr. Guridy asked was the money in the Treasury Fund Balance just Petty Cash and is it all petty cash. He stated that he is looking for an example of change fund in the Golf Course. He used the \$150 at the Pro shop as an example.

Mr. Hoffman stated that is correct they have a number of drawers and cash registers at the Pro shop. Each one needs some dollars to start the day. Those are the amounts. It is not all petty cash. He stated that the EIT Escrow Fund and is equally unsure of the final disposition or the correct amount is being that he was not involved with the calculations. He stated Council and the Administration to let the Controller’s office review the papers and the work that the Administration has done to come up with that \$2.3 million and justify taking \$2.3 million out or if they are justified of leaving the money in. He stated that he is not sure exactly how it was done, but allow the Controller’s department to allow based on the same information used, is that a good number. Have them write a report and get back to them. He stated that they could hire an outside Auditor, that is ok too, but he feels that the Controller’s office is a lot cheaper. He thinks that no process is perfect. He asked for the Council and the Administration’s support and cooperation to give them the information that they used. He stated that he is not suggesting that they do a complete audit to verify that every penny from that fund is paid out.

Mr. Donovan urged his colleagues to support that request and said that it would help give some information to people because it is confusing.

Ms. Eichenwald asked what would be required to make this happen.

Mr. Hoffman stated everyone nodding their heads including the Administration.

Mr. O’Connell asked Mr. Hoffman was he looking at the process, the procedure it was done, the numbers of what was done or was he looking at all of them. He asked Mr. Hoffman what he is looking for.

Mr. Hoffman stated that ultimately he wants to say that the \$2.3 million that they took was reasonable or unreasonable based on the information they have. He stated that if something is fatally flawed, he would tell them. He has not seen anything from the Administration on this issue. He does not know any of the background. He then referenced the memo the Police Pension request that was denied. He stated that there are lots of things wrong with the Pension fund documents for Fire and Police. He stated that there are errors on what a disability is or what a permanent disability is. He stated that there are more issues and he feels that this is an item for Collective Bargaining.

Ms. Eichenwald stated that she is impressed by his reasonableness.

9. APPOINTMENTS:

Assistant City Solicitor Dale R. Wiles' Resume.pdf

The Rules were suspended to introduce and vote on the appointment of an Assistant City Solicitor.

R 43 Dale R. Wiles.DOC

City Council does hereby give advice and consent to the following appointment submitted to this Council, by Mayor Ed Pawlowski, on September 1, 2010, of Dale R. Wiles, as Assistant City Solicitor for the City of Allentown, at a pay grade 16 N, at Sixty-five Thousand (\$65,000) Dollars, effective September 7, 2010.

Mr. Jerry Snyder introduced to Council formally the individual that he has selected to fill the spot of Martin Danks, former Assistant City Solicitor, who has left the Solicitor's office to join the Fire department. Mr. Snyder stated that he selected Dale because of his skill-set and that he needs the City Solicitor's office function like clockwork. The position will be filling the complex things such as tax laws, liens, and municipal liens. The Solicitor's office is attempting to collect money that is due to the city on the revenue side. Mr. Wiles brings experience from the world of collections. He is an Allentown resident and has a stake in the city. Mr. Snyder recommended him fully to Council and asked them to confirm his appointment.

Mr. Dales Wiles stated that he is a resident of the City of Allentown and he lives on the eastside in Midway Manor. He looks at this as an opportunity to give back to the city, to help the city, and to grow the city and move the city forward to resolve the issues that the city may have. He stated that he worked in collections, he has been in private practice and he dealt with real estate law. He dealt with municipal lien questions and other collection issues and some tax issues. He looks forward to representing the city as an Assistant City Solicitor.

Mr. Atiyeh stated that he knows Mr. Wiles for many years and Mr. Wiles mentioned two very important words Midway Manor. Mr. Atiyeh stated that Mr. Wiles and his family have been a resident for a while and does a lot of work with the Manor and is very community or oriented.

Resolution passed, 7 – 0

Ms. Eichenwald stated that although they have a meeting scheduled for September 15th to discuss the process of appointments, she must make notes to the fact that the Ethics Boards Committee only has four (4) of its five (5) appointments. She said that weeks and months have gone by and urged Mr. Bennington and the Administration to do what ever they possibly can to expedite this matter. There are important issues that have to be addressed. They owe it to the citizens of Allentown to have a full composite of five members of the Ethics Committee.

10. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

None

11. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

Bill 49 Campaign Finance Reports.doc

Referred to Human Resources, Administration

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 Website no later than ten working days after the due date.

Bill 50 DCR Drug Amendment.doc

Referred to CEDC

Amending Article 1759, Licensing Residential Rental Units, by requiring the owner, operator, responsible agent or manager to begin eviction proceedings against the occupants for any violation of the Landlord Tenant Act relating to drug offenses.

Bill 51 Noise Ordinance.doc

Referred to CEDC

Amending the Noise Control Ordinance by changing the enforcement fines and penalties, by increasing the penalty for repeat offenders.

Bill 52 Penalties Illegal and Unfit Units.doc

Referred to CEDC

Amending Article 1759.99 of the Property Rehabilitation and Maintenance Code by establishing a penalty of One Thousand Dollars for units that have been identified by the City as “unfit for human habitation” or “occupancy unlawful” and for each unit that has been identified by the city as an illegal unit.

Bill 53 EMS STRIKE TEAM.DOC

Referred to Public Safety

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’.

Bill 54 POLICE TESTING FUNDS.doc

Referred to Public Safety

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

Bill 55 809 HAMILTON LOAN.DOC

Referred to CEDC

Creates a special revenue fund entitled Revolving Loan Fund (fund 008) in the 2010 Budget and, in addition, provides a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Thousand (\$400,000) Dollars in Housing Redevelopment Assistance (HRA) funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. These funds will be loaned to provide funding opportunities for development projects throughout the City. Initially, these funds will be utilized for the purpose of developing the upper-floor housing at 809-813 Hamilton Street within the City’s Central Business District.

Mr. Schweyer asked was it meant to be a Bill or a Resolution. He was going to ask to suspend the rules and vote on it tonight, but since it is a Bill then they can not.

Mr. D’Amore stated that is correct unless it is an emergency. He said that it is pass-through grant effectively through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He asked Todd Collins to come forward and stated that if it is a Resolution, they can vote on it tonight, but if it is a Bill minus an emergency they can not vote on it. Mr. D’Amore asked if it would be a major disadvantage if they voted on this on the 15th.

Mr. Todd Collins stated that it is correct. At this point, if the Project is waiting for the approved appropriation of funds, it would be a considerable delay. The interior demolition has already started on the inside.

Mr. D’Amore stated that a Resolution could be voted on a first reading if it is an agreement with Council, but a Bill can not and that comes from the Charter.

12. CONSENT AGENDA: None

13. RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING: None

14. RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING:

Establishes a UO Committee

A resolution was introduced at the last council meeting and referred to committee. The Rules committee reviewed the resolution and suggested changing the composite of the board by reducing it to five – in effect, establishing a smaller steering committee, two of whom shall be councilpersons and the remainder to be appointed by Council and the Mayor on the basis of the experience in urban affairs and research design. The appointments to the UO committee of councilpersons shall be made by the Council president after seeking requests from councilpersons and in discussion with Council.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that they had a Rules Committee meeting and they addressed Ms. Eichenwald's concerns regarding the appointments process and he believes that they streamlined it to make it more efficient. There was consensus among the committee that was a good Bill. There was a consensus from the Administration. He answered Ms. Eichenwald's question on how the appointment process works as such that the President makes the appointment then it goes to her committee and then it is voted on by a full Council. Administration appointments would operate the same way. The committee will now have seven members, two (2) members of City Council, three (3) appointed by the Council President with input from the Council, and two from the Administration.

Mr. Donovan stated that he apologized and at the meeting they talked about the criteria for these five (5) professionals. He stated that he was suppose to have a list of the five (5) types of criteria's that they could consider certainly mentioning professional experience with research and urban affairs are two of the most important.

Mr. Schlossberg asked Mr. Donovan would he still develop the information.

Mr. Donovan stated yes. He will get it done.

Resolution passed, 7- 0

15. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. D'Amore stated that he watched with in trepidation as the members of the press and luminaries from the local blogosphere left the Chambers, he stated that the antics of Mr. Villa is getting out of hand and he is very reluctant to take any actions upon anyone who wishes to use the public comment portion of the Council's meeting which is designated by the Charter. He feels that Mr. Villa is taking advantage of the public accommodations that the body (City Council) offers for serious comments and he is engaging in competition commentary and his side comments are being increasingly more and more abusive. He is still hesitant to take any action, but since they have an opportunity to speak and feels that they should speak about this in public, he asked if any of his colleagues had any comments and if they believe that they should propose an alternative course of action for the future.

Mr. Schlossberg asked Mr. Marchetto what legal options there are to limit courtesy of the floor. He believes he knows the answer, but wants to get it on the record and confirmed.

Mr. Marchetto stated that he would research it, but he knows that personal attacks and comments in that nature would be prohibited. Those could be stopped and what he had heard there that night became personal and it was not directed at public business. He does not know if a person can yield time for comments.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that is a pretty thin line.

Mr. D'Amore stated that he does not recognize the right of Mr. Villa to yield time. He stated that there is some precedent in Supreme Court law that effectively states silence equals speech. He stated Barnett in particular. He stated that is the general logic that he follows.

Mr. Marchetto stated that he understands, but their rules allow them to determine the time.

Mr. Schlossberg stated that privilege of the floor will not be extended for personal insults or personal attacks on any individual. He stated that name calling or other behaviors that are that in inconsistent with the purpose and intent of conducting official business.

Mr. Eichenwald stated that she certainly agree that comments from members of the public are inappropriate and she stated that she understands where Mr. D'Amore is driving at, but she would be exceedingly hesitant to limit courtesy of the floor. It is democracy in its purest form and she believes that they always have to go in favor of allowing the citizens of the city to speak when they want. She stated that as long as it not a personal attack and especially if it is someone here from the public.

Mr. Guridy stated to Mr. Marchetto if there are any previous cases or precedence being set by any Council or people that do this kind of thing. People that repeat over and over. It is essentially wasting time, everybody's time and he does not think any good is going to come out of this. He stated that it was the fourth time Mr. Villa came there.

Mr. Donovan stated that if had done something wrong and he had said the things that Mr. Villa claimed that he said he would be the first to apologize. He stated that this has been distorted. In an attempt to try to stop him from going onto his blog, he attempted to copy everything from the old location to the new and he only found out last week that while he thought everything went over, not all the comments went over. His attempt to change the blog site was for more control and moderation which the old blog site did not have. Everything that Mr. Villa says is not the truth and that is where they have a problem. He stated that almost everyday his boss from the college gets an email (Bill Villa) stating that he should be fired and that really frustrates him.

Mr. O'Connell stated that he appreciated Mr. Donovan's comments and he stated that they all collectively feel his pain. Anybody can get up to the microphone and take hotshots at them whether it is fact, fiction, true, or false. He does not feel they should take that right from him. However, what has been happening is there is a sense of increase agitation. The microphone is one thing. Maybe he needs APD finest to say he is out of bounds. It is called disorderly conduct. He is disrupting a public meeting. His threshold is getting smaller and smaller.

Mr. Donovan stated that Mr. O'Connell raised a very important point. He can sit up and take it, but Mr. Romancheck was there to talk about other issues of policies. Issues that effect Council and he was very polite and he should not have to listen if someone dislikes him. He asked if it is an appropriate way to bring that message to Mr. Villa that it is a quorum in Chambers and he may give his speech, but not cause any other ruckus.

Mr. Guridy stated that it is a waste of his time. He does not have to stand for it and he does not want to hear him. He knows that he has the right and most people have the right to say something. Say something positive, but not to come there and say the same thing over and over again. He states they have to find a way to put a stop to this. If it was something he was saying to contribute to the city, then he would say he has a right.

Mr. D'Amore asked his colleagues to beg his apologies for bringing this up. He feels part of his duty here as Council President he wants to preserve the sanctity of the Institution. He is a long advocate for a person's first amendments rights. He said that he is talking about the personal attacks on other citizens that come there to be heard, or making a mockery of the chambers or making a television production out of what should be a

public comment or going far beyond what is appropriate for a protected first amendment behavior. He asked Mr. Marchetto to take the comments and give them some guidance as to what their boundaries given that their constitutional restraints, and given the dictates of the Charter and they will be patient because they understand that this may not be an easy one, but he asked for his help and they will leave everything status quo until they hear from him.

Mr. Marchetto stated that he would look into it for them.

Mr. O'Connell stated that the sanctity of this Council Chambers he has always been impressed, they all sit and listen to the public and they at times agree to disagree, but after being elected and he came to several meetings he does not think at any point that Mr. D'Amore as Council President should ever second guess himself. The decorum of the meetings is outstanding and that is a credit to Mr. D'Amore and a credit to all the colleagues. Sometimes you have to suck up a little pain and move on. They all know the reality of the situation and life still moves on and the sun will come up tomorrow.

Ms. Pickle stated that he has not been there for a while and does not read the papers, and they made comments that the things are not true. This is the fourth (4) time that this guy has come and did this. She knows something about human nature and she is around people with extreme anger and character traits and they are walking a dangerous line. She stated that they have a cop out there to protect them and they should pray about this and it is not right to let this man come up there and humiliates a public official even if Mr. Donovan isn't a public official. He is a human being. It should not be allowed they should have stopped it.

Mr. Atiyeh asked how many times they have to hear this. He agreed with Mr. Guridy that it has to be some type of regulation or rule that people speak at courtesy of the floor and speak what they came to speak about.

16. GOOD AND WELFARE

17. ADJOURNED: 8:40 pm

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