

City of Harrington
MINUTES
City Council Special Meeting
April 1, 2013

A special meeting of the Harrington City Council was held on April 1, 2013 and was attended by the following: Mayor Robert E. Price, Jr.; Vice Mayor Cheryl Lahman; Council Member Duane E. Bivans; Council Member Fonda Coleman; Council Member Amy Minner; Council Member Kenneth Stubbs; Keith Shyers, Deputy Chief of Police; William Pepper, City Solicitor; Teresa Tieman, City Manager; and Kelly Blanchies, Clerk of Council.

Council Member Wayne Porter was absent.

Mayor Price called the meeting to order at 8:53 p.m.

Resolution 13-R-04 – A resolution requesting that the General Assembly adopt the amended Charter as shown in Exhibit A

A MOTION was made by Council Member Stubbs, seconded by Vice Mayor Lahman, to lift Resolution 13-R-04 from the table. Roll was called: 3 Yes, 2 No, 1 Absent (Lahman – Yes, Bivans – No, Coleman – Yes, Minner – No, Porter – Absent, Stubbs – Yes). The MOTION passed by majority.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Stubbs, seconded by Vice Mayor Lahman, to adopt Resolution 13-R-04. Roll was called: 3 Yes, 2 No, 1 Absent (Lahman – Yes, Bivans – No, Coleman – Yes, Minner – No, Porter – Absent, Stubbs – Yes). The MOTION passed by majority.

Approval of ways to amend the budget

The City Solicitor asked if the approval to change line items would be given to the Department head or the City Manager. The City Manager replied either is fine. Mayor Price asked about having the safeguard of having the approval of both the department head and the City Manager or Chief of Police.

The City Solicitor stated that the policy would read:

Department heads, with the consent of the City Manager, are permitted to change the breakdown within the materials and supplies and administrative groups of accounts as long as the total budget for that department is not exceeded. Department heads are not authorized to re-appropriate salary or capital items. Any reallocation of available fund balances must have the approval of the City Council.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Minner, seconded by Vice Mayor Lahman, to adopt the budget amendment policy as stated. Roll was called: 4 Yes, 1 No, 1 Absent (Lahman – Yes, Bivans – No, Coleman – Yes, Minner – Yes, Porter – Absent, Stubbs – Yes). The MOTION passed by majority.

Appointment of Delaware State Fair Contract Committee

Mayor Price stated that he is not comfortable appointing the committee at this time.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Coleman, seconded by Council Member Stubbs, to table the appointment of the Delaware State Fair Contract Committee. Roll was called: 5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Lahman – Yes, Bivans – Yes, Coleman – Yes, Minner – Yes, Porter – Absent, Stubbs – Yes). The MOTION passed unanimously.

Compliance Environmental invoice

A MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Lahman, seconded by Council Member Stubbs, to approve the payment of the additional costs listed on the Compliance Environmental invoice. Roll was called: 4 Yes, 1 No, 1 Absent (Lahman – Yes, Bivans – No, Coleman – Yes, Minner – Yes, Porter – Absent, Stubbs – Yes). The MOTION passed by majority.

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member Coleman, seconded by Vice Mayor Lahman, to adjourn the City Council Special Meeting. The MOTION passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Blanchies
Clerk of Council