

THE COMMON COUNCIL

January 03, 2022

5:00 P.M.

Zoom Meeting Minutes

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CHARLESTOWN WAS HELD (VIA ZOOM) ON MONDAY 01/03/2022 AT 6:30 P. MONDAY, WITH MAYOR TREVA HODGES PRESIDING.

Council members present via zoom were: Ruthie Jackson, Brian Hester, Bo Bertram, BJ Steele and JT Cox. Also present were Clerk Treasurer Donna Coomer, City Attorney Perry McCall and Common Council Attorney Mike Gillenwater.

Pledge

Invocation

David Sexton with Fair Haven Church

Agenda

Councilwoman Jackson asked to add Council Attorney Mike Gillenwater's contract to the agenda. Mayor Hodges asked to add Election of Council President on the agenda.

Councilwoman Jackson made a motion to approve the two additions to the Council agenda, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0.

Minutes, Claims and PR Voucher

Councilman Hester made a motion to approve the Minutes of 12/1/2021, the Claims and PR Voucher from 11/28/2021 to 12/26/2021, seconded by Councilman Steele. Approved 5-0.

Public Comments - none

Ethan Biggs Legislative Youth Advisor Report

Gave a report on school events and activities for November and December.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Hodges asked everyone to be Covid aware. City Hall staff will be rotating and working remotely. Masks will be required in the building.

Council Comments

None

Ordinance 2022-OR-01

Mayor Hodges said this appropriation ordinance allows for new carpet in City Hall. The carpet is in bad shape and is worn. It is creating a tripping hazard downstairs and could cause someone to fall. The cost to replace the carpet is \$91,700.00 to for the carpet upstairs and downstairs.

Amounts Requested

CCI:	\$30,000.00
Rainy Day	\$56,700.00
Sanitation	\$5,000.00

New total for carpet in City Hall - \$91,700.00

Councilwoman Jackson made a motion to replace the carpet upstairs and downstairs on the first reading, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0.

Councilwoman Jackson made a motion to suspend the rules in anticipation of passing Ordinance 2022-OR-01, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0.

Councilwoman Jackson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-OR-01 on the second and final reading. Approved 5-0.

Council Attorney Contract

Councilwoman Jackson presented the attorney contract for Mike Gillenwater. There is no changes in the contract. The city will offer him and his wife medical insurance at Mr. Gillenwater's expense.

Councilwoman Jackson made a motion to approve the legal contract for the council attorney, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0.

Common Council President Election

Councilman Hester made a motion to elect Councilwoman Jackson as President of the Council seconded by Councilman Steele. Approved 5-0.

Council Meetings

Mayor Hodges asked if Monday meetings at 6:30 p.m. were good for everyone. Councilman Hester said he may have high school baseball conference games in April and May. He should know within a week or two. The Council voted to approve the meeting date. Approved 5-0.

Adjournment

Councilman Cox made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Steele.
Approved 5-0.

MAYOR, TREVA HODGES

DATE

ATTEST:

CLERK TREASURER, DONNA S. COOMER

DATE