



**CITY OF WASHINGTON
SPECIAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL

April 19, 2016 @ 1:00 P.M.



Scott J. Putnam, Mayor

City Council

*Tracy Graham, Councilwoman
Joe Manning, Councilman
Ken Westcott, Councilman
Manda Williams, Councilwoman*

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Present
Councilman Joe Manning	- Present
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Present

SOLICITOR:

Jack Cambest, Esquire

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

SOLICITOR:

Today is the public hearing for the proposed inter-municipal transfer of a liquor license (PLCB License: R-6029) for Kennison Strategic Development Company, LLC. The liquor license is being requested from the borough of Donora to the City of Washington. The property address is 19 North Main Street, Washington, PA. This meeting is to listen to public testimony from anyone who wishes to make any comment on the proposed transfer.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Holy Guna attended the hearing on behalf of Mark Kenninson, owner of Kenninson Strategic Development, LLC. Ms. Guna is from Caputo & Caputo and her office is located at 204 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA. Mr. Kennison currently owns the President Pub, located in Washington. He needs a Resolution from the receiving municipality (the City of Washington), in order to start the process with the Liquor Control Board, since the license is coming from Donora. Mr. Kennison wasn't able to get another license from the City of Washington. Currently, the license (No. R-6029) is owned by Beer, Buds, and Bets, located in Donora, PA.

Jack Cambest asked Mark Kenninson to give public testimony as to what his intent is, if Mayor and Council grant the transfer of the liquor license. According to Mr. Kennison, 19 N. Main Street will be used as a catering business and banquet hall for birthday parties, rehearsal dinners, weddings, baby showers, special events, trade shows, dinner shows, and other events/productions that will benefit the City. This will also include valet parking in the City's parking garage. The location has two floors, so that two events can be held at the same time. By opening this place, hopefully, this will bring business back and rebuild the City of Washington again (from areas such as Pittsburgh, West Virginia, Ohio, etc.). Mr. Kennison stated that he would like to host a quarterly charitable event for the City's Fire and Police Departments and raise money for the City, a well. Everything is up to code in the building and is ADA compliant. The only thing that needs to be done is to either add a dry wall or a sprinkler under the stage that was expanded. Mr. Kennison will work on landscaping the area around the building, including make sure the area is well lit at night.

The majority of events will probably be Friday through Sunday, closing by 12 midnight. On occasion, there will be an event during the week. Special events can be held on Sunday with a buffet, which will cater to larger, professional crowds. Most events will be held at night and on weekends. Mayor Putnam requested that the City Police must be notified of all events prior to the day of the event. Also, there should be a police presence during and after events.

Councilman Westcott attested to the fact that the building is up to code, except for minor areas that need fixed. Mr. Kennison has made a major investment in the City of Washington with the President's Pub and also with the Upper Crust. Opening this business will be a winner for both Mr. Kennison and the City of Washington.

A motion was made by Councilman Manning and seconded by Mayor Putnam to adopt a Resolution of the City of Washington, County of Washington, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approving the transfer of restaurant liquor license R-6029 into the City of Washington from the borough of Donora.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Yes
Councilman Joe Manning	- Yes
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Yes

A motion was made by Mayor Putnam and seconded by Councilman Manning to terminate Lynn Yusin effective April 11, 2016, on the recommendation made by Dennis Adams, City Treasurer.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Yes
Councilman Joe Manning	- Yes
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Yes

West Penn Power would like to enter into a letter of agreement to provide LED street lights with the City of Washington (for 10 years). The monies will be charged to the Liquid Fuels account. This is a guaranteed savings for the City. There are 13,000 lights in the City and the savings will be approximately \$10,000.00 per month. The letter of agreement should also state that the City would like maps to designate wattage areas.

A motion was made by Councilman Manning and seconded by Councilman Westcott to enter into a Street Lighting Agreement with West Penn Power Company subject to the attachment of Exhibit A which will list the areas of lighting that are run by the City of Washington and subject to the execution of the agreement by both parties.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Yes
Councilman Joe Manning	- Yes
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Yes

A motion was made by Councilman Westcott and seconded by Councilman Manning to approve the price of \$178,906.00 for materials for paving this year. This fee is better this year than last year's fee. This fee is based on Washington County's Joint Municipal Purchasing Contract No. 04061611MPP.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Yes
Councilman Joe Manning	- Yes
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Yes

Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the following areas: St. Paul A.M.E. Church, West End Playground, and Tylerdale Fire Station. Gloves, trash bags, and vests are located in the City Clerk's Office.

A motion was made by Mayor Putnam and seconded by Councilman Manning to approve the MOU for payment of the fire doors at the Fire Station in the amount of \$3,945.00.
CHARGE: 52.00/409-374.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Monda Williams	- Not Present
Councilwoman Tracie Graham	- Not Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	- Yes
Councilman Joe Manning	- Yes
Mayor Scott Putnam	- Yes

A motion was made by Councilman Westcott and seconded by Councilman Manning to adjourn the meeting.



Scott J. Putnam, Mayor



Cynthia B. Griffin, City Clerk