

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Meeting
February 8, 2016

The Mayor and City Council met at 7:30 PM on Monday, February 8, 2016 in the City Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor McCarron, Mayor Pro Tem Foster, Councilmembers Zambetti, Frazier, Wantz and Vigliotti.

Also Present: City Manager Heine, City Attorney Gullo and Clerk Kalman. Councilmember Vigliotti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes:

Minutes of the January 6 and January 11, 2016 regular meetings – motion to approve by Frazier, 2nd by Wantz – carried 5 – 0.

Adoption:

Resolution 2016 – 19 – Water Allocation for February 2016 – motion to approve by Foster, 2nd by Vigliotti - carried 5 – 0.

Ordinance 19 – 2016 – Downtown Revitalization Act Amendment #2 – motion to approve by Angelo , 2nd by Foster, who provided an explanation of the amendment – carried 5 – 0.

Ordinance 20 – 2016 – Campaign Finance – Attorney Gullo reviewed the proposed changes that were requested by councilmembers. A discussion about self-funded campaigns followed with a motion by Frazier to increase the amount from \$350 to \$1,000, with no second the motion died. Motion by Wantz to table for another month, 2nd by Frazier – carried 5 – 0. The item will be placed on the agenda for the Mayor and Council retreat.

Legal report – Attorney Gullo stated the Ethics Commission met to review the Financial Disclosure forms and advised of the requested changes to the forms and new procedures as directed by the commission members.

Unfinished Business:

Mayor McCarron provided comments with regards to the request of Carroll Media Center for an extension from Carroll Regulatory Commission before signing the franchise agreement.

New Business:

Monthly Financial Report – motion to approve by Wantz, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 – 0.

Accounts Payables – motion to accept by Zambetti, 2nd Wantz - carried 5 – 0.

West Baltimore Street sweeping – Judith Archie expressed that residents desire the no parking signs for street sweeping to be removed along West Baltimore Street. Possible remedies were discussed and Mayor McCarron said he will obtain more information. Comments were received from the audience.

Partial Release of Meadowbrook letter of credit – Attorney Gullo summarized the request and advised the Department of Public Works met and verified the amounts to reduce the surety. Motion to approve by Frazier, 2nd by Wantz – carried 5 – 0.

Council member Frazier stated the letter sent in support of a cannabis growing facility did not represent him and made a motion to change positions and oppose the growing facility, 2nd by Vigliotti. With comments from

Zambetti and Wantz the vote to rescind the letter was Frazier and Vigliotti in favor, with Zambetti, Foster and Wantz opposed.

Council member reports:

Councilmember Vigliotti stated he felt both the Police and Public Works departments were to be commended for thorough and expeditious removal of snow and introduced the new owner of the Red Door Boutique, Mrs. Emily Graham.

Councilmember Wantz advised that the Planning and Zoning Commission is continuing to make progress with the terminology for the zoning overlay for cannabis dispensaries.

Councilmember Frazier inquired about the budget amount remaining for snow removal.

Councilmember Zambetti stated that Taneytown police officers rescued a stranded motorist during the snow incident.

Mayor McCarron provided a summary of the topics discussed at the Maryland Mayors Association Conference he recently attended.

Mayor and councilmembers received questions and comments from the audience.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 PM by Wantz, 2nd by Zambetti.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk