

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

AS AMENDED ON APRIL 25, 2011

ORGANIZATION MEETING

APRIL 18, 2011

PRESENT

*Council President Louise Smith
Councilwoman Deborah S. Campbell
Councilwoman Eugenie P. Shields*

*Council Vice President Gary A. Comegys
Councilwoman Terry E. Cohen
Mayor James Ireton, Jr.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Councilwoman-elect Laura Mitchell, Councilman-elect Timothy Spies, City Clerk Brenda Colegrove, MMC, City Administrator John Pick, ICMA-CM, City Attorney Paul Wilber, Police Chief Barbara Duncan, Public Works Director Teresa Gardner, Building, Permitting and Inspections Director William Holland, Internal Services Director Pam Oland, Fire Chief Jeff Simpson, Community Development Director Deborah Stam, Neighborhood Services and Code Compliance Director Tom Stevenson, Community Development, Planning and Zoning Director Jack Lenox, and interested Citizens and Members of the Press.

CONVENING - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Council President Smith called the meeting to order. The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited. Mr. Comegys moved and Mrs. Shields seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Ms. Cohen moved to amend the agenda by adding comments from the newly elected officials and leadership (after election of City Council Vice President). Mrs. Campbell seconded and the amendment passed unanimously. The agenda, as amended, was unanimously adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Comegys, the April 11, 2011 minutes were unanimously approved.

COUNCIL / COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS / PRESENTATION

Comments were received from all five Council members followed by a presentation of plaques to President Louise Smith and Vice President Gary Comegys for their service to the City of Salisbury.

ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE

Mark Bowen, Clerk of the Circuit Court, administered the oath of office to Terry E. Cohen, Laura Mitchell and Timothy K. Spies to serve as Council members until November 2015.

ORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Ireton presided as President Pro Tempore to conduct the organization of the City Council. On a motion by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Ms. Cohen, the vote was unanimous to accept the rules as outlined by Mayor Ireton.

Mr. Spies nominated Mrs. Campbell for President of the City Council; however, Mrs. Campbell declined the nomination. Mrs. Campbell nominated Ms. Cohen for President of the City Council and Mr. Spies seconded. The vote was unanimous electing Ms. Cohen as President of the City Council.

Council President Cohen conducted the balance of the meeting and requested nominations for Vice President of the City Council. Mrs. Shields nominated Mrs. Mitchell for Vice President and Mrs. Mitchell seconded. Mr. Spies nominated Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Campbell seconded.

Nomination of Mrs. Mitchell:

2 – aye (Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Shields)

3 – nay (Mrs. Campbell, Ms. Cohen and Mr. Spies)

Nomination of Mrs. Campbell:

3 – aye (Mrs. Campbell, Ms. Cohen and Mr. Spies)

2 – nay (Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Shields)

Having received three affirmative votes, Mrs. Campbell was elected as Vice President of the City Council.

COMMENTS

Closing comments were received from all five members and the mayor.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion and a second by Mrs. Shields and Mrs. Campbell, respectively, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

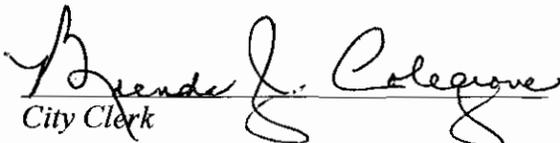
CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND
CLOSED SESSION
APRIL 19, 2011

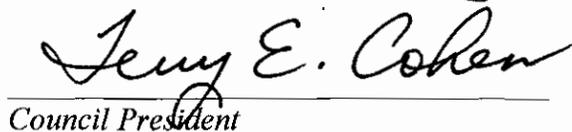
TIME & PLACE: 1:31 p.m. – Conference Room 306, Government Office Building
PURPOSE: Consult with legal counsel/pending litigation
VOTE TO CLOSE: Unanimous
CITATION: Annotated Code of Maryland Sections 10-508(a)(7)(8)
PRESENT: Council President Terry Cohen, Council Vice President Debbie Campbell, Councilwoman Laura Mitchell, Councilwoman Eugenie Shields, Councilman Tim Spies, Mayor James Ireton, Jr., City Clerk Brenda Colegrove, City Administrator John Pick, Assistant City Administrator Loré Chambers, City Attorney Paul Wilber, Public Works Director Teresa Gardner, Internal Services Director Pam Oland, Mike Oates, Al Porianda, Pete Bozick

At 1:31 p.m., in Conference Room 306, Mrs. Shields moved to convene in closed session to consult with legal counsel on potential litigation as permitted under the Annotated Code of Maryland Sections 10-508(a)(7)(8). Mrs. Mitchell seconded and the vote was unanimous.

An update on the status of the litigation and negotiations involving the Wastewater Treatment Plant was provided. No action was taken, but additional information was requested by Council.

On a motion and a second by Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Shields, respectively, and by unanimous vote, the closed session adjourned at 2:55 p.m.


City Clerk


Council President

STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING

Location: Room 306 GOB

Date: 4-19-11

Time: 1:31 pm

Motion: Shields

Seconded By: Mitchell

Vote to Close Session:

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deborah S. Campbell	{ / }	{ }	{ }	{ }
Terry E. Cohen	{ / }	{ }	{ }	{ }
Laura Mitchell	{ / }	{ }	{ }	{ }
Eugenie P. Shields	{ / }	{ }	{ }	{ }
Timothy K. Spies	{ / }	{ }	{ }	{ }

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION

State Government Article §10-508(a):

- (1) To discuss:
 - { (i) The appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or
 - { (ii) Any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.
- (2) {} To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals with respect to a matter that is not related to public business.
- (3) {} To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto.
- (4) {} To consider a preliminary matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.
- (5) {} To consider the investment of public funds.
- (6) {} To consider the marketing of public services.
- (7) { / } To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.
- (8) { / } To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.
- (9) {} To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.

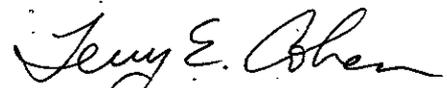
- (10) {} To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussions would constitute a risk to the public or public security, including:
 - (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and
 - (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans.
- (11) {} To prepare, administer or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination.
- (12) {} To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct.
- (13) {} To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.
- (14) {} Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, discuss a matter directly related to a negotiation strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

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REASON FOR CLOSING:

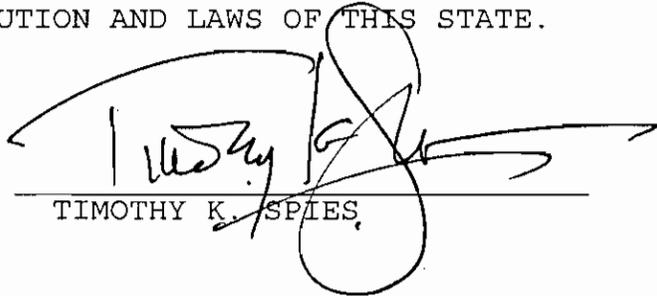
Pending litigation / consult with legal counsel.



Terry E. Cohen
Council President
City of Salisbury

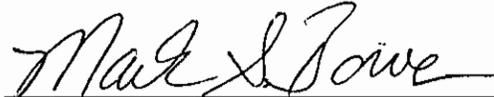
OATH OF OFFICE

I, TIMOTHY K. SPIES, DO SWEAR THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT I WILL BE FAITHFUL AND BEAR TRUE ALLEGIANCE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS THEREOF; AND THAT I WILL TO THE BEST OF MY SKILL AND JUDGMENT, DILIGENTLY AND FAITHFULLY, WITHOUT PARTIALITY OR PREJUDICE, EXECUTE THE OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF SALISBURY ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE.



TIMOTHY K. SPIES

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND, THIS 18 DAY OF APRIL, 2011.



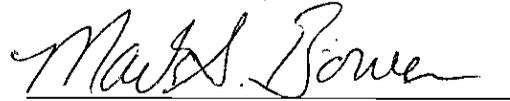
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CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

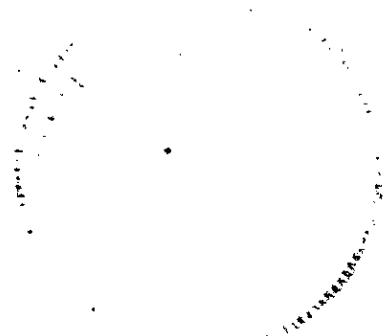
OATH OF OFFICE

I, LAURA MITCHELL, DO SWEAR THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT I WILL BE FAITHFUL AND BEAR TRUE ALLEGIANCE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS THEREOF; AND THAT I WILL TO THE BEST OF MY SKILL AND JUDGMENT, DILIGENTLY AND FAITHFULLY, WITHOUT PARTIALITY OR PREJUDICE, EXECUTE THE OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF SALISBURY ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE.


LAURA MITCHELL

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND, THIS 18 DAY OF APRIL, 2011.


MARK S. BOWEN
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT



OATH OF OFFICE

I, TERRY E. COHEN, DO SWEAR THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT I WILL BE FAITHFUL AND BEAR TRUE ALLEGIANCE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS THEREOF; AND THAT I WILL TO THE BEST OF MY SKILL AND JUDGMENT, DILIGENTLY AND FAITHFULLY, WITHOUT PARTIALITY OR PREJUDICE, EXECUTE THE OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF SALISBURY ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE.

Terry E. Cohen

TERRY E. COHEN

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND, THIS 18 DAY OF APRIL, 2011.

Mark S. Bowen

MARK S. BOWEN
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT