

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

#6 MEETING

MARCH 23, 2009

PRESENT

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

*Council Vice President Gary A. Comegys
Councilwoman Terry E. Cohen
Mayor Barrie P. Tilghman (left 6:35 p.m.)*

IN ATTENDANCE

City Clerk Brenda Colegrove, MMC, City Administrator John Pick, ICMA-CM, Assistant City Administrator Loré Chambers, City Solicitor Paul Wilber, Internal Services Director Pam Oland, Police Chief Allan Webster, and Members of the Press.

CONVENING - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the City/County Government Office Building. Council President Smith called the meeting to order. The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Ms. Cohen moved and Mr. Comegys seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Comegys moved to amend the agenda by removing Resolution No. 1763 (Assistance to Firefighters Grant). Mrs. Campbell seconded and the amendment passed unanimously. The agenda, as amended, was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – *presented by Mayor Barrie P. Tilghman and Police Chief Allan Webster*

Retired Police Officer 1st Class Dana S. Peterson was presented with a shadowbox and Certificate of Appreciation for her nine years of loyal and dedicated service to the Salisbury Police Department.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mayor Tilghman provided an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant performance concerns. A copy of the Mayor's March 23, 2009 Press Release is attached and made a part of the original minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA – *presented by City Clerk Brenda Colegrove*

On a motion and a second by Mr. Comegys and Ms. Cohen, respectively, the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items was unanimously approved:

- *March 9, 2009 minutes*

- *March 16, 2009 Special Meeting minutes*
- *Resolution No. 1761 – appointment of Thomas W. Jones, Maurice Kirwan and Paul Ennis to the Marina Committee for terms ending March 2011*

AWARD OF BIDS – presented by Internal Services Director Pam Oland

The Award of Bids consisting of the following item was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Comegys and seconded by Mrs. Campbell:

- *Surplus of items – Police duty weapon* -0-

ANNEXATION – presented by Mr. Matt Hedger

- *Resolution No. 1759 – establishing date for a public hearing – Beaglin Park Drive/Elliott Annexation Plan*
- *Resolution No. 1760 – establishing date for a public hearing – Beaglin Park Drive/Elliott Annexation*

Mrs. Campbell moved and Mr. Comegys seconded to approve Resolution No. 1759 and Resolution No. 1760. Following a PowerPoint presentation (copy attached to original minutes), Resolution No. 1759 and Resolution No. 1760, establishing a public hearing date of April 27, 2009, were unanimously approved.

ORDINANCE – presented by City Attorney Paul Wilber

- *Ordinance No. 2076 – 1st reading – FY09 budget amendment reflecting the reduction of the City Attorney budget for the cost of the transfer to the Marina Fund budget (\$14,562)*

Ordinance No. 2076 for 1st reading passed unanimously on a motion and a second by Ms. Cohen and Mr. Comegys, respectively.

RESOLUTION – presented by City Administrator John Pick

- *Resolution No. 1762 – authorizing temporary travel lane shifts and closures on College Avenue (James M. Bennett High School project)*

On a motion by Mr. Comegys and seconded by Mrs. Campbell, Resolution No. 1762 was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Five members of the public commented on the following issues/concerns:

- *Holland Avenue alley – problem with snakes/overgrowth*
- *Wastewater Treatment Plant performance concerns*

- requiring recycling as part of the annexation conditions
- milestone markers (article in Sunday's *Daily Times*)
- Mill Street monument (copy of information provided to City Clerk attached to original minutes)
- Resolution No. 1763 (HazMat equipment)
- public input before decisions are made by Council
- work sessions – televise on PAC14 or place audio on web site
- Mayor's State of the City Address
- money noted in CIP for the standpipe – use for additional police officers or police officer salaries instead
- poor condition of City streets

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

*CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND
CLOSED SESSION
APRIL 6, 2009*

TIME & PLACE: 4:33 p.m. – Conference Room 306 Government Office Building
PURPOSE: Consult with legal counsel/potential litigation
VOTE TO CLOSE: Unanimous
CITATION: Annotated Code of Maryland Sections 10-508(a)(7)(8)
PRESENT: Council President Louise Smith, Council Vice President Gary Comegys, Councilwoman Deborah Campbell, City Clerk Brenda Colegrove, City Administrator John Pick, City Attorney Paul Wilber, Public Works Director Jim Caldwell, Dave Winslow
ABSENT: Councilwoman Terry Cohen, Councilwoman Eugenie Shields

At 4:33 p.m., in Conference Room 306 of the Government Office Building, Mr. Comegys moved to convene in closed session to consult with legal counsel/potential litigation as permitted under the Annotated Code of Maryland Sections 10-508(a)(7)(8). Mrs. Campbell seconded and the vote was unanimous.

City Attorney Paul Wilber began updating the Council on the events to date. Mrs. Campbell was not comfortable with what was begin discussed in the closed session and subsequently left the meeting (4:40 p.m.). Due to the lack of a quorum, no further discussion was held.

City Clerk

Council President