

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

#15 MEETING

JULY 27, 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 James Iretton, Jr.*

IN ATTENDANCE

City Clerk Brenda Colegrove, MMC, City Administrator John Pick, ICMA-CM, Assistant City Administrator Loré Chambers, City Attorney Paul Wilber, Building, Permitting and Inspections Director William Holland, Acting Fire Chief Rick Hoppes, Internal Services Director Pam Oland, Community Development Director Deborah Stam, 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 Mrs. Campbell seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Comegys moved to remove Resolution No. 1806, Resolution No. 1807 and Resolution No. 1808 (all three relating to grants for the Police Department) from the Consent Agenda for discussion after the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Campbell seconded and the amendment passed unanimously.

Ms. Cohen moved and Mrs. Campbell seconded to remove Resolution No. 1811 (accepting donation of property located at 317-323 and 325-327 Lake Street) from the agenda. The amendment passed on a 3-2 vote with Mrs. Shields and Mr. Comegys casting the nay votes.

The agenda, as amended, was unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA – presented by City Clerk Brenda Colegrove

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

- *July 13, 2009 minutes*
- *Resolution No. 1804 – accepting donation of miscellaneous firefighting tools and equipment totaling \$59,112.13 (including labor) from Salisbury Fire Department Inc., Company No. 1*

- Resolution No. 1805 – accepting donation of miscellaneous firefighting tools and equipment totaling \$59,112.13 (including labor) from Salisbury Fire Company No. 2 Inc.
- Resolution No. 1809 – approving a Community Legacy application for grant funds of approximately \$260,500 to be utilized by Urban Salisbury, Inc. to procure detailed architectural and engineering drawings for the Downtown Master Plan streetscape improvements
- Resolution No. 1810 – appointment of Dr. James C. Todd, III to the Housing Board of Adjustments and Appeals for a term ending July 2013

RESOLUTION NO. 1806 – accepting \$70,756 in cooperation with the Wicomico County Emergency Services through the Department of Homeland Security to purchase equipment (Command Vehicle; emergency and other equipment for the vehicle; mobile computer for the vehicle; 8 radios; and an identification card system) to be utilized by first responders to meet the challenges posed by potential acts of terrorism

On a motion by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Comegys, Resolution No. 1806 was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 1807 – accepting grant funds of \$62,640 awarded through the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to provide for overtime reimbursement to officers participating in the Multi-Jurisdictional Warrant Reduction/Service – Violent Offender Warrant Reduction Program

On a motion and a second by Ms. Cohen and Mrs. Campbell, respectively, Resolution No. 1807 was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 1808 – accepting \$197,795 awarded through the Bryne Justice Recovery Act from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to fund a Crime Analysis Geographical Information System to enhance the Police Department's ability to analyze and track crime trends and geographical data.

Resolution No. 1808 was unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Comegys.

AWARD OF BIDS – presented by Internal Services Director Pam Oland

The Award of Bids was unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Comegys.

- Unsurplus of Item (2000 Ford Ranger)

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PUBLIC HEARING – presented by City Attorney Paul Wilber, along with Internal Services Director Pam Oland/oath administered by City Clerk Brenda Colegrove

- **Ordinance No. 2081** – reallocation of 2003 Series A Infrastructure Bond proceeds for the following additional projects:

Mill Street Storm Drain Upgrade Engineering
South Baptist Street Storm Drain Construction
Northeast Collector Road Hike and Bike Trail
Circle Avenue Bridge Repair
Springfield Circle Storm Drain Repair Construction

No public comments were received.

ORDINANCE – presented by City Attorney Paul Wilber

- **Ordinance No. 2080 – 2nd reading** – amending Chapter 15.32, Plumbing Standards, of the Salisbury Municipal Code to adopt fats, oils and grease regulations

Ordinance No. 2080 for second reading was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Comegys and seconded by Ms. Cohen.

RESOLUTION – presented by City Administrator John Pick

- **Resolution No. 1802** – amending the tax deferral plan awarded to Salisbury Housing II, LLC for Gateway Village to reflect a change in the name of the ownership entity

Mr. Comegys moved and Ms. Cohen seconded to approve Resolution No. 1802. Mrs. Campbell moved and Ms. Cohen seconded to amend Resolution No. 1802 as follows:

1. Delete “name of the” in the heading
Passed unanimously
2. Third Whereas paragraph to read “Whereas, the City has been advised that Salisbury Housing has been dissolved and its assets have been distributed to the sole remaining member Gateway Village II Limited Partnership (Gateway); and”
All voted aye with the exception of Mrs. Shields who abstained.
3. Fourth Whereas paragraph to read: “Whereas, Gateway has assured the City that Gateway will continue to operate the prescribed senior housing complex for people with moderate and low incomes in accordance with Resolution Nos. 496 and 603; and”
Passed unanimously
4. Delete the fifth Whereas paragraph in its entirety
Passed unanimously

5. *Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved* paragraph to read: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution No. 603 and Resolution No. 496 shall remain in full force and effect and that the distribution of Gateway Village by Salisbury Housing to Gateway shall not result in any acceleration of taxes or fees by the City."

Passed unanimously

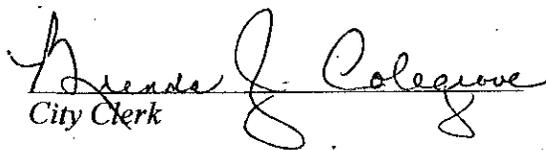
Resolution No. 1802, as amended, was unanimously approved.

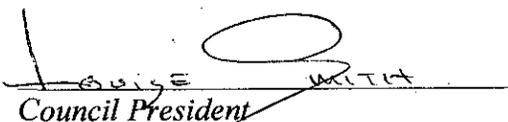
PUBLIC COMMENTS

Four members of the audience commented on the following:

- *acquisition of property located on Lake Street (i.e., include with adjacent property (which is already listed for sale) to market a larger parcel for development; poses a liability that the City should not assume)*
- *commended contractors (George and Lynch and Thompson Pumps) working on Isabella Street project for their professionalism*
- *equipment for HazMat trailer*
- *Marina – progressing well*
- *reducing geese population*
- *action to curtail crime (i.e., curfew; neighborhood watch group)*
- *new sign at Wayne and Milford Streets*
- *need for signage at S. Division Street for City parking garage and the Library*
- *1928 article concerning graves of soldiers along Potter's Field (copy attached to original minutes)*
- *replacement of trees that were cut down by State Highway along Rt. 50 for the sidewalk project*
- *public due explanation of issues with Wastewater Treatment Plant*

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.


City Clerk


Council President

City of Salisbury



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MARYLAND

COUNCIL AGENDA

July 27, 2009

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I. Un-surplus of Items

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Memo

To: John Pick, City Administrator
From: Pamela B. Oland, Director of Internal Services
Date: July 14, 2009
Re: Add Vehicle to City of Salisbury Fleet

On June 9, 2008, City Council unanimously voted to surplus and auction a 2000 Ford Ranger (VIN # 1FTYR14V9YTA96595) with 50,000 miles, previously referred to as NSCC # 3. As the FY 09 joint City-County auction approached, questions were asked about this vehicle by City Council members. Mayor Ireton requested that the vehicle not be included in the sale, which took place on May 16, 2009. After the vehicle was removed from the auction, it was thoroughly evaluated by the City Garage. At that time, it was confirmed that the vehicle has some relatively minor mechanical issues, but is in need of general body repair and repainting. The estimated Kelly Blue Book value for this vehicle ranges from \$2,025 to \$2,885.

Estimated repair costs are as follows:

Repair	Cost Estimate
Body and paint repairs	\$5,564.27
Engine repair parts	\$ 210.00
Front end alignment	\$ 75.00
Total	\$5,849.27

In comparing the estimated body repair cost against the estimated Blue Book value, it is not a sound financial decision of the City to complete those repairs. However, if the mechanical repairs are made, this vehicle can still be used even though the body is not in good shape. If City Council desires for this vehicle to be placed back into service, management recommends that the mechanical repairs be made in the estimated amount of \$285.00, but would not intend to complete the body and paint repairs. If approved, this vehicle would be used as a City pool vehicle.

BODIES OF SEVERAL NORTHERN SOLDIERS DUG UP BY WORKMEN

Remains Believed Those Of Men
Who Died During "Black
Measle" Epidemic

GRAVES ARE FOUND ON EDGE POTTER'S FIELD

Discovery Is Made By Gang Excavating
For City's New Sewer On Rail-
road Avenue Tuesday Afternoon.
Identified By Buttons Off Uniforms.

Graves of eleven Union soldiers,
unmarked and unheard of by virtual-
ly all except the older inhabitants of
the city, were unearthed by workmen,
under William F. Bounds, Jr., while
excavating for a sewer line on
Railroad Avenue, this city, along
side of Potter's Field, public burying
ground, Tuesday afternoon.

Several buttons, bearing Federal
insignia, led to the identity of the
bodies as those of soldiers. It is a
matter of history that, during the
conflict between States, there were
three camps in and about Salisbury
and that during their duration here
an epidemic of "black measles" broke
out. There was no actual fighting in
this section of the country.

One local vet recited, before his
death, that the bodies of a large
number of soldiers, victims of the
malady, were laid to rest at just a-
bout the spot where the skulls and
bones were dug up and that 22 had
been interred in the first row. It
is believed that those found, were a
part of this first row.

Whether the remains were those
of members of the First Regiment,
Eastern Shore of Maryland, volun-
teers, made up in the main of men
principally from Dorchester, Talbot,
Kent and other upshore counties who
camped here during a part of the
war or whether they were men from
other sections of the country, en-
route to or from battlefields, Salis-
bury being in those days the southern
terminus of the railroad, is proble-
matical. The most general theory is
that the men were not Eastern
Shoremen.

The graves found were arranged
in rows five feet apart and the
bodies were three feet below the sur-
face. No evidence that coffins were
used was discovered and a small
fragment of what appeared to have
been a blanket indicated that the
bodies may have been simply wrap-
ped up and buried thus.

Whether or not any records are
in existence which would disclose the
identity of any of the soldiers buried
there is not known. The remains
were carefully re-interred.

VALUABLE PROPERTY IN CITY TO BE SOLD

J. Holloway, principal, students
who have signed up, to date, number-
ing 169, which is one more than the
number composing last year's student
body which was the banner one in size.
Inquiries are still coming in daily and
it is anticipated that the 175 mark will
be exceeded.

No change in the faculty of the Nor-
mal School proper are being made this
year. In the Elementary Department
Miss Margaret Weant, of Carroll
County, will be in charge of the fourth,
fifth and sixth grades. Miss Josephine
Weiler, having been granted leave of
absence to study at Columbia Univer-
sity. The Elementary Department has
approximately 55 children enrolled for
this year.

The new \$300,000 Adminis-
tration Building, second of the three
units which will go to make up the
modern plant which, when completed,
will represent an outlay of around 1-
000,000, is being rushed to completion.
The new middle unite will be ready for
students, according to Dr. Holloway,
with the exception of the auditorium.
Classrooms, laboratories and offices
will be in readiness, the equipment
now being on the premises.

For the first time in the school's
history it will be unnecessary to quar-
ter a portion of the boarding students
outside the campus.

Tentative plans call for the dedica-
tion of the new Administration Build-
ing during the latter part of October.

WALNUT STREET HOUSE BELIEVED SET AFIRE

Home, Formerly Occupied By Harry
Dennis, Guttled Early Wednesday
Morning

Fire, believed by officials of the
fire department and residents of the
neighborhood to have been of incen-
dary origin, early Wednesday morn-
ing gutted the vacant house on Wal-
nut St., formerly occupied by Harry
Dennis, Ex-County Treasurer of Wi-
comico. The house, 75 years of age,
was one of the old landmarks of
Salisbury.

Ex-Mayor Charles E. Harper, with
prospective purchasers, Monday dis-
covered what appeared to be a certain
attempt to previously fire the build-
ing, in the form of part of an old
oil stove, a saturation of oil and
burned paper in a closet which was
charred but where the fire had ap-
parently spent itself because of lack
of air. Wednesday's blaze started in
the same part of the structure.

Following discovery of flames Wed-
nesday a heavy explosion was heard
in the building which shot embers
high into the air and but for prompt
and efficient work by Chief Grier's
men other residences would have fall-
en prey. States Attorney L. C.
Bailey and the State Fire Marshal
have been asked to investigate and
important evidence, not made public,
will be laid before the investigators.

The house was owned by Frank
Parker who was out of town when
the fire occurred.

STUDEBAKER SALES
CONTEST WINNERS
ARE BANQUETTED

car as a garage at Moore's. The
resulted in the near fatal stabbing
Stanley Joyce, of near Allen, and
by authorities to be a "bad boy"
and the arrest of Clifton Dashiell,
is said to have started the affair.

The negro, said to have been in-
cited, refused according to wit-
nesses to take "no" as an answer to a
demand for a "lift" and attempted to
force their way into the car. When the
negro's 17-year-old son and Joyce
emerged on the back seat the
negro, a hand and inflicted
wounds upon Joyce's abdomen,
lung. Though in a precarious
condition it is said that the negro
better than even chance of
J. and the daughter sustained
facial injuries to the countenance.

Dashiell, arrested by Sheriff Dyer,
released Monday morning and
\$300 bond.

M. P. MISSIONARY MEETING AT CRISFIELD

Salisbury Auxiliary Has Part on
"Law of District" Gathering Sept.

The District Meeting of the W
omen Foreign and Home Mission
Societies, Maryland Branch, will
held September 5th at Crisfield, Md.
All auxiliaries are urged to send de-
legates and as many visitors attend
possible. Churches which do not be-
organized auxiliaries are invited to
send representatives also. Dinner
will be served at the church by the
Crisfield auxiliary and those who ex-
pect to attend will kindly send name
to Mrs. J. L. Nicolls, Crisfield, Md.

The program as arranged by the
committee is as follows:

- 10 A. M.—Devotionals. Rev. J. L. Nicolls, Crisfield.
- Business including election of officers.
- "Thank Offering and Blessing Boxes"—Pocomoke Auxiliary.
- "Necessity of Appointing Secretaries or Managers of each Department of Work"—Crisfield Auxiliary.
- "Missionary Work in the Sunday School"—New Church Auxiliary.
- Lunch—12:30 to 2.
- 2 P. M.—Presentation of the study book, "Friends of Africa"—Salisbury Auxiliary.
- Presentation of study book, "What Next in Home Missions?"—Parkley Auxiliary.
- "Aims and Needs of the Business Girls' Home"—Pittsville (Md) Auxiliary.
- "Xmas Boxes and gifts to the Foreign Field"—Sharptown Auxiliary.

FORMER CO. 'I' MAN IS MADE LEGION ADJUTANT

EA. L. McGee, Crisfield, Reappointed
By H. S. Smith, New State Com-
mander '29' Convention At
Ocean City

Arthur L. McGee, of Crisfield, has
been reappointed adjutant of the De-
partment of Maryland, American Le-
gion, by Harold C. Smith, newly elect-
ed commander.

Smith was elected State Commander
at the Annual meeting of the Depart-

POTTER'S FIELD

SALISBURY COMEXTER

POINT PE

SHARP

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that have been said
to assert my convic-
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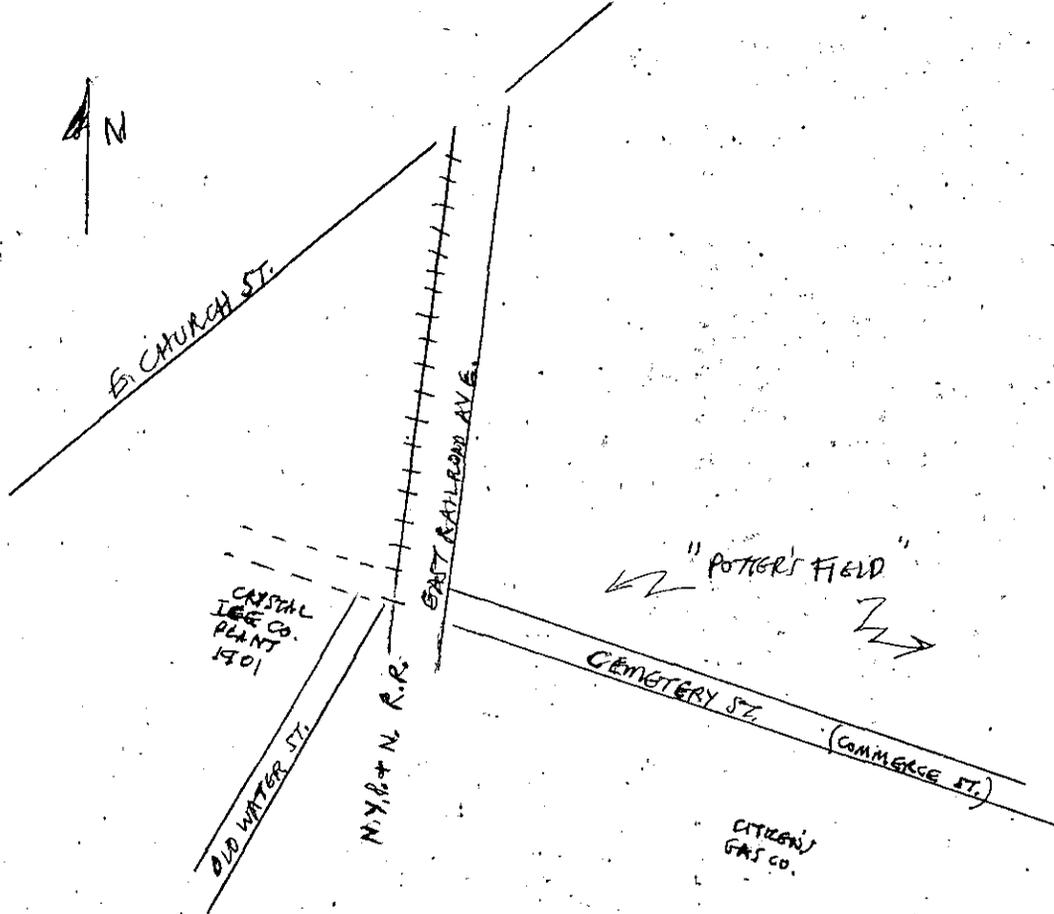
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SALISBURY CEMETERY

"POTTER'S FIELD" - S.E. OF EAST R.R. AVE + N.Y.P. + N. R.R. TRACKS ; N.E. OF CEMETERY ST.



CC: MAYOR + COUNCIL OF SALIS.

CAROL A. EBRIGHT, ARCHITECT, SALIS, ~~BALTO.~~

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