

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

ORGANIZATION MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2015

PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT

*Council President Jacob R. Day
Council Vice President Laura Mitchell
Councilman John "Jack" R. Heath*

*Mayor James Ireton, Jr.
Councilwoman Eugenie P. Shields
Councilman Timothy K. Spies*

IN ATTENDANCE

City Clerk Kimberly R. Nichols, City Administrator Tom Stevenson, Assistant City Administrator Julia Glanz, City Attorney Mark Tilghman, Council-elect April Jackson, Council-elect Muir Boda, Clerk of Circuit Court Mark Bowen, interested citizens and members of the press

CONVENING – PRESENTATION OF COLORS CEREMONY – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – CITY INVOCATION

The City Council convened at 6:05 p.m. in Fire Station 16 on Cypress Street in Salisbury.

The Salisbury Police Department and Fire Department performed the Presentation of Colors ceremony followed by the Pledge of Allegiance recitation by everyone present.

Council President Day called the meeting to order and invited Pastor Bill Cropper forward to the podium to provide the City Invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mrs. Mitchell and seconded by Mrs. Shields, the agenda was unanimously approved.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mrs. Mitchell moved, Mrs. Shields seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the November 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Mr. Spies moved, Mr. Heath seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the November 9, 2015 Closed Session Minutes.

COUNCIL/COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS

Council reflected on their past service, time together and accomplishments as Council members and thanked Mrs. Shields and Mr. Spies for their dedication and service.

PRESENTATIONS– Mayor James Ireton, Jr. /Council President Jacob R. Day

Council President Day presented a plaque to Mayor Ireton to thank him on behalf of the City and residents for his service as Mayor of the City of Salisbury from April 2009 - November 2015.

Mayor Ireton presented Council President Day a plaque and thanked him for serving the City as Council President from April 2013 – November 2015.

Mayor Ireton and Council President Day presented plaques to Mrs. Shields and Mr. Spies, and thanked them for both their valuable contributions and years of service to the City as Council members and involved residents. Mrs. Shields served from April 2005 – November 2015; Mr. Spies served from April 2011 – November 2015 as Council members on Salisbury City Council.

The Eastern Shore Delegation (Delegate Carl Anderton, Senator Jim Mathias, Delegate Sheree Sample-Hughes, and Delegate Chris Adams presented certificates to Mrs. Shields and Mr. Spies.

Council President Day then invited the Council to the floor to be sworn into office.

ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE

Mark Bowen, Clerk of the Circuit Court, administered the oath of office to Muir Boda, John R. Heath, James Ireton, Jr., Laura Mitchell, and April Jackson to serve as Council members until November 2019. Mr. Bowen then administered the oath to Jacob R. Day to serve as Mayor until November 2019. Mayor Day and Council took their places

HONORED GUEST – COMPTROLLER PETER FRANCHOT

Peter V. R. Franchot, Comptroller of Maryland, was invited to the podium and welcomed Mayor Day and Council members Boda, Heath, Ireton, Mitchell and Jackson into office.

ORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

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

Mr. Ireton nominated Mr. Heath for President of the City Council and the vote was unanimous.

Council President Heath then took his seat in the center of the five and conducted the balance of the meeting to elect a Vice President of City Council.

Mr. Boda nominated Mrs. Mitchell for Vice President of the City Council and the vote was unanimous.

CONCLUDING COMMENTS

Closing comments were received from all five Council members.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Heath adjourned the Organization meeting at 7:14 p.m.

**CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND
CLOSED SESSION
OCTOBER 5, 2015**

TIME & PLACE: 4:00 p.m., Government Office Building – Council Chambers, Room 301
PURPOSE: before a contract is awarded of bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating 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

VOTE TO CLOSE: Unanimous

CITATION: Annotated Code of Maryland §10-508(a)(14)

PRESENT: Council President Jacob R. Day, Mayor James Ireton, Jr., Councilwoman Eugenie P. Shields, Councilman John “Jack” R. Heath, Councilman Timothy K. Spies, City Clerk Kim Nichols, City Administrator Tom Stevenson, Assistant City Administrator Julia Glanz, and City Attorney Mark Tilghman

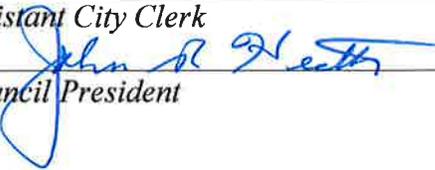
NOT PRESENT: Council Vice President Laura Mitchell,

The City Council convened in Open Session in Room #301 in the Government Office Building at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Heath moved, Mrs. Shields seconded, and the vote was unanimous to convene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process in accordance with the Annotated Code of Maryland §10-508(a)(14).

At 4:35 p.m., on a motion and seconded by Mr. Spies and Mr. Heath, respectively, and by unanimous vote in favor, the Closed Session was adjourned and Council reconvened in open session. President Day reported that while in Closed Session Council had agreed to send to legislative session the agreement of sale of Lot 1 and Lot 11.



Assistant City Clerk



Council President