

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

REGULAR MEETING

July 11, 2016

PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT

*Council President John “Jack” R. Heath
Councilman Muir Boda
Councilwoman April Jackson*

*Mayor Jacob R. Day
Councilman James Ireton, Jr.*

PUBLIC OFFICIALS NOT PRESENT

Council Vice-President Laura Mitchell

IN ATTENDANCE

City Clerk Kimberly R. Nichols, Assistant City Administrator Julia Glanz, City Attorney Mark Tilghman, Deputy Director Internal Services – Procurement Jennifer Miller, Public Works Director Mike Moulds, District 38B-Wicomico County Delegate Carl Anderton, Jr. and interested citizens and members of the press

MEDITATION – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council met in regular session at 6:02 p.m. in Council Chambers. Council President Heath called the meeting to order and invited Reverend Thomas E. Tucker from St. Paul AME Zion Church to deliver the City Invocation; thereafter, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Heath welcomed Delegate Carl Anderton, who was present in the audience.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PRESENTATION

Adult Literacy

President Heath invited Wicomico County Libraries Executive Director Andrea Berstler to the podium to speak about Adult Literacy. She discussed the Summer Reading program at the library, explained how “HOOPLA” works to borrow free digital movies, music, eBooks and more at the library, and informed the public about the Wicomico County libraries Job Search Center.

Ms. Berstler discussed the following six (6) key literacies that people need to possess in their lives in order to function in this society: 1) Basic Literacy, 2) Financial Literacy, 3) Health Literacy, 4) Technology Literacy, 5) Information Literacy, and Family Literacy, and is focusing on these to

help people function successfully. She discussed Project READ, a project of the Rotary Club of Wicomico County. The United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore, and Wicomico Public Library developed to tackle the regions' adult literacy issues and provide free tutoring to adults who desire to improve basic reading and writing skills. United Way donated \$35,000 towards this program.

ADOPTION OF LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Mr. Boda moved, Mr. Ireton seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the legislative agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA – presented by City Clerk Kimberly Nichols

The Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items, was approved by unanimous vote in favor on a motion by Mr. Ireton that was seconded by Ms. Jackson:

- **May 3, 2016** Budget Session minutes
- **May 10, 2016** Budget Session minutes
- **Resolution No. 2640** – to approve a project to construct or rehabilitate a minimum of four homes in the greater Church Street Neighborhood to be sold to low or very low income families over the next two years
- **Resolution No. 2641** – authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Maryland Department of Natural Resources Waterway Improvement Fund Grant for the purpose of expending grant funds in the amount of \$25,000 for utility pedestals at the Port of Salisbury Marina
- **Resolution No. 2642** – authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Chesapeake Bay Trust for the purpose of expending Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns Grant funds in the amount of \$75,000 for implementation of bio retention practices in the Main Street Masterplan project
- **Resolution No. 2643** – authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Maryland Department of the Environment Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration for the purpose of expending FY17 Energy Water Infrastructure Program Grant funds in the amount of \$132,000 for replacement of the high service pumps at the Salisbury Park Water Treatment Plant

AWARD OF BIDS – presented by Assistant Director of Internal Services – Procurement & Parking Jennifer L. Miller

The Award of Bids, consisting of the following items, was approved on a motion and seconded by Mr. Boda and Ms. Jackson, respectively, and by unanimous vote in favor:

- Change Order #3 to Contract 111-15 – Design/Build New Fire Station #2 - \$8,288.00
- Declaration of Surplus – 2000 GMC Bucket Truck (Public Works) - \$0.00

RESOLUTION – presented by Assistant City Administrator Julia Glanz

- **Resolution No. 2644** – accepting a donation of an informational sign at Salisbury’s Public Cemetery on Commerce Street from the Friends of the Poplar Hill Mansion

Mr. Boda moved and Mr. Ireton seconded to approve Resolution No. 2644.

Ms. Glanz invited Eagle Scout Ben Smith to join her at the podium and then presented the resolution. Mr. Smith explained the process he took to create the sign for Salisbury’s Public Cemetery.

Resolution No. 2644 was unanimously approved as presented.

ORDINANCE NO. 2389 – PUBLIC HEARING & 2nd READING – presented by City Attorney Mark Tilghman

- **Ordinance No. 2389** – 2nd reading - pursuant to Chapter 17.228 of Title 17, Zoning of the Salisbury Municipal Code and Section 4.04 of Article 66b of the annotated code of Maryland for the purpose of amending Section 17.105.040.d, Development Standards in the Riverfront Redevelopment Multi-use District #2

Mr. Boda moved and Mr. Ireton seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2389 for second reading. Mr. Tilghman presented the ordinance and noted the capitalized text to be added should be underlined, but this did not require an amendment.

At 6:37 p.m., the Public Hearing was opened and immediately closed, as there were no requests to speak.

Ordinance No. 2389 for second reading was approved by unanimous vote in favor (4-0).

ORDINANCES – presented by City Attorney Mark Tilghman

- **Ordinance No. 2393** – 1st reading - pursuant to Chapter 17.228 of Title 17, Zoning of the Salisbury Municipal Code and Section 4.04 of Article 66b of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the purpose of amending Section 17.84.020 to add apartments, up to four units, in the Office and Service Residential District

Mr. Boda moved and Mr. Ireton seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2393 for first reading.

Mr. Tilghman presented Ordinance No. 2393, followed by Mr. Boda’s motion to strike “L” on Line 35 and insert “O”. Mr. Ireton seconded the motion, which unanimously passed.

Ordinance No. 2393, for first reading as amended, was unanimously approved.

- ***Ordinance No. 2394*** – 1st reading - to approve the issue and sale of General Obligation Bonds in an aggregated amount not to exceed, \$4,751,500.00 to be used for the public purpose of financing, reimbursing or refinancing expenses of public projects

Ms. Jackson moved, Mr. Ireton seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2394 for first reading.

Mr. Ireton asked about the aquatic weed harvester, mentioned in the bond ordinance and Mayor Day explained what it does.

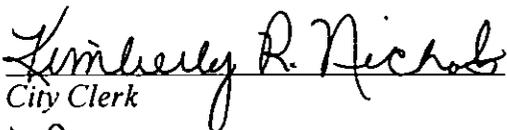
CLOSING REMARKS

Closing comments by Mayor Day included an invitation to the Public to attend a Neighborhood Public Meeting at St. Paul AME Zion Church, located at 410 Delaware Avenue to connect our community its citizens and to encourage empathy for one another.

Mayor Day also invited the community to attend a prayer vigil at the Cathedral of Love, located at 419 E. Church Street.

He also reminded the public about National Night Out, which will be on August 2, 2016 in the City Park.

With no Public Comments or further business to discuss, President Heath adjourned the Legislative Session at 6:53 p.m.


City Clerk


Council Vice-President