



**MEETING OF
UNIVERSITY PARK MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL
UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
4315 UNDERWOOD STREET
7:30 PM**

**April 2, 2012
REGULAR SESSION**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tabori at 7:30pm

Present: Mr. Brosch, Mr. Gekas, Ms. McPherson, Mr. Cron, Mr. Carey, Ms. Sorensen, Ms. Bradley Chacón
Excused: None
Absent: None

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mr. Brosch

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Brosch asked to add a discussion on the use of money received from the Cafritz developers for legal fees. Mayor Tabori ruled that this item was out of order at this time, as we do not know the outcome of District Council's decision. The District Council is not scheduled to meet until April 11, so a discussion of this topic is premature. Mayor Tabori recommended adding this topic to the agenda for the first Council meeting in May, and Mr. Brosch agreed.

Moved by: Mr. Carey
Yea: 6

Seconded by: Ms. McPherson
Nay: 0 **Abstain:** 0

4. OFFICIAL SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL MEMBER-ELECT BY THE MAYOR

Heidi A. Sorensen, Ward 5 Council Member

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *March 19, 2012*

With the changes as noted on the secretary's copy.

Moved by: Ms. McPherson
Yea: 5 **Nay:** 0

Seconded by: Mr. Carey
Abstain: 2 (Mr. Cron, Ms. Sorensen)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Linda Verrill, a resident of Van Buren Street, said there was discussion in the community about recent break-ins. She asked what the next steps would be after the security consultants' presentation at the previous Council meeting. Mayor Tabori said there is police coordination taking place among the surrounding municipalities. A public safety forum is being planned for University Park. He added that the extent of the problem was geographically broad, affecting communities along the Route 1 corridor and throughout the county. He recommended that residents remove all their valuables from their cars and leave the empty glove compartment door open, to show there was nothing of value in the car. Mayor Tabori emphasized that residents should not leave any electronics or spare change in their vehicles.

Mayor Tabori said that if residents observe someone or something suspicious, take a good description of the person(s) and notify the police by immediately calling 911. Mayor Tabori said that there are up to 4 officers on patrol in University Park at any one time. Ms. Verrill asked if the Town was considering using or acting on any other aspects of the security presentation. Mayor Tabori said this is partly a budget discussion, and partly a discussion in the Public Safety Committee. Mayor Tabori referred consideration of the security consultants' report jointly to the Committee on Police, Traffic and Public Safety and the Committee on Public Facilities and Services.

Mr. Carey raised a point about the circulator bus. He said that the local municipalities need to start considering this initiative.

7. PERMITS

A. APPLICATION TO ERECT A SHED

(Francis and Margarita Abbey, 6601 Queens Chapel Road) Ward 3

Mr. Abbey addressed the Council and the Mayor, to answer questions about his permit application. Ms. McPherson raised a concern about the lack of a plat with the application. Mr. Abbey said the shed will be located 15 feet from the side of the property, and 21 feet from the rear property line. The Council member briefly discussed lot coverage, which cannot be calculated since no plat is available. Mayor Tabori recommended a provisional approval, with the conditions that a plat be provided, indicating the location of the shed.

Motion: To approve the application to erect an 8'x10'x 7' wood shed located on Lot: 14, Block: 14, Section: 03 at 6601 Queens Chapel Road, with the conditions that a plat be provided to Town Hall, with the location of the shed indicated, and that adjacent neighbors be notified.

Moved by: Ms. McPherson
Yea: 7

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas
Nay: 0 **Abstain:** 0

B. APPLICATION FOR KITCHEN RENOVATION WITH BAY WINDOW

**ADDITION AND REPLACE/REPAIR PLUMBING IN EXISTING BATHROOM
(Jerry Wilkinson and Cindy Pearson, 4312 Sheridan Street) Ward 1**

Ms. Pearson addressed the Council and the Mayor, to answer questions about her permit application. She said the new siding will match the existing siding.

Motion: To approve the application to renovate the kitchen including a 2'x7'x10' bay window addition and replace/repair plumbing in existing bathroom located on Lot: 6, Block: 5 at 4312 Sheridan Street.

Moved by: Mr. Brosch
Yea: 7

Seconded by: Ms. Bradley Chacón
Nay: 0 **Abstain:** 0

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT ~ Mayor John Rogard Tabori

Mayor Tabori said that on April 11, 2012 he will take the letter he wrote to the District Council hearing on the Cafritz development and testify on behalf of University Park. There will be a briefing on the rules of the hearing at 9:30 am, and the hearing itself will begin at 10 am.

Street repair work has begun in Ward 1, with Wards 3, 5, and 4 to follow. Concrete work will take place through June; the asphalt work will take place in July and August when school is not in session. The current speed tables [humps] will be made permanent. All of the issues that have been raised by Town residents about the previous concrete work is being reviewed by the Town Engineer. Mayor Tabori said that any traffic studies will need to be completed by May 1st, to make sure we have the maximum traffic flow from the elementary school represented.

B. REPORT ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ~Mickey Beall, Director

Mr. Beall will make his report at the April 16th meeting.

C. REPORT ON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES ~ Chief Wynnyk

Chief Wynnyk will make his report at the April 16th meeting.

D. REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER ~ Dan Baden

Mr. Baden will make his report at the April 16th meeting.

9. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE 12-O-02 AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AN EMPLOYEE

SERVICE RECOGNITION BONUS

~ Currently scheduled for a final vote on April 16, 2012 ~

Motion: To approve/disapprove the adoption of Ordinance 12-O-02, to provide that a Town employee, otherwise in good standing, in addition to his/her regular compensation, shall receive monetary and other recognition for specified years of service.

Moved by:
Yea:

Seconded by:
Nay:

Abstain:

B. ORDINANCE 12-O-03 AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT PLACEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER STORAGE RECEPTACLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT A PERMIT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PERMIT FEE AND PENALTY

~ Currently scheduled for a final vote on April 16, 2012 ~

Motion: To approve/disapprove the adoption of Ordinance 12-O-03 to enact Chapter 7 “Public Health and Sanitation” Section 7-107 “Dumpsters and other storage receptacles”, and to repeal, re-enact and renumber Section 7-107, “Penalty”, of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of University Park, to institute a permit system for placement of construction and other storage receptacles on private property.

Moved by:
Yea:

Seconded by:
Nay:

Abstain:

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 12-O-04: Fiscal 2013 Budget. Introduction

Motion: To approve the introduction of Legislation Resolution 12-O-04: Fiscal 2013 Budget.

Moved by: Mr. Cron

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas

Roll Call Vote:	Brosch	Aye
	Gekas	Aye
	McPherson	Aye
	Carey	Aye
	Sorensen	Aye
	Cron	Aye
	Bradley Chacón	Aye

Yea: 7 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes, 7 Aye to 0 Nay.

B. COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF FISCAL 2013 BUDGET

Mayor Tabori and the Council reviewed the budget package in detail. Mayor Tabori said that principal debt should never exceed 60% of the annual revenue of the annual budget, as a rule of thumb, and the proposed budget maintained that standard. The other rule of thumb is that 25% of the Town's funds be kept in liquid accounts, which is a practice the Town observes.

11. ADJOURNMENT of the public meeting at 9:50 pm.

Motion: To enter into executive session to discuss contracts and personnel matters.

Moved by: Ms. Bradley Chacón

Seconded by: Ms. McPherson

Yea: 7

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0