



**MEETING OF
UNIVERSITY PARK MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD AT
RIVERDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CUSTIS HALL
6513 QUEENS CHAPEL ROAD
7:30 PM**

**July 23, 2012
REGULAR SESSION**

1. CALL TO ORDER: by Len Carey, Mayor Pro Tem at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Mr. Brosch, Mr. Gekas, Ms. Christiansen, Mr. Carey, Mr. Alvarez
Excused: Ms. Sorensen, Mr. Cron
Absent: None

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mr. Brosch

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Mr. Gekas asked that items 8A, 8C, 8E, 8F be moved to the end of the meeting after New Business allowing for extra time to discuss items on the agenda. Mr. Carey requested that discussion of appointments for item 10D be taken up for consideration at the next Town meeting on August 13.

Moved by: Mr. Gekas
Yea: 5

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *June 18, 2012*

Moved by: Mr. Gekas
Yea: 5

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

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Hockberger of Beechwood discussed the condition of a portion of Wells Run and the ability of the stream to manage stormwater effectively he encouraged Council to take up the issue of restoring/repairing the banks of the streambed and consider having trees and shrubs removed along the stream banks, which slows the water flow and causes flooding during heavy rainfalls.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: To approve the following consent agenda item;

**A. APPLICATION TO REPLACE AN EXISTING SHED
(Cron, 3901 Underwood Street) Ward 6**

Moved by: Mr. Gekas
Yea: 5

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

7. PERMITS

A. APPLICATION TO ERECT A WOOD FENCE (Suntum, 4311 Sheridan Street) Ward 1

Motion: To approve the application to erect a 4 foot fence located on Lot: 19 & Lot 20, Block: 4, Section: One, at 4311 Sheridan Street

Moved by: Mr. Brosch

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

8. DEPARTMENT AND COUNCIL REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT ~ *Mayor John Rogard Tabori* *Report given after New Business*

Mr. Carey, Mayor Pro Tem reported Mayor Tabori had a family emergency. He will give a report at the next meeting.

B. REPORT ON STEP-UP GRANT ACTIVITIES ~ *Chuck Wilson* *Refer to Appendix 8B for the June 2012 Step-UP report.*

Chuck Wilson reported; the Step-UP program will be complete in one (1) year. Program participation has proved successful in Town with a rate of 1 in 4 homes in UP participating. DOE granted permission to extend the program to College Heights Estates (CHE), Riverdale Park and Hyattsville. Results from the first kick-off event held in Northwestern HS for CHE residents proved there is interest in the program. Residents embraced the opportunity to join with 20% of homes in the neighborhood signing up. Riverdale Park is next with their kick-off event on September 28, event details TBA. The team is confident that expanding the program boundaries will bring an impressive number of homes agreeing to participate as well.

Mr. Wilson asked Council to consider extending the Compost Pilot Program for three (3) additional months. Funds needed to cover costs are available in the budget and extending this program would provide data for a full year.

Motion: To approve the Compost Pilot Program for an additional three (3) months

Moved by: Mr. Brosch

Seconded by: Ms. Christiansen

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

C. REPORT FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY ~ *Suellen Ferguson, Town Attorney*

Report given after New Business

Ms. Ferguson reported that she had met with Ms. Toscano to review legislation not yet incorporated into the Town Charter and Code Books. Updates will be completed and reviewed then new books printed and given to Council members.

D. REPORT ON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES ~ *Chief Wynnyk*

Refer to Appendix 8D for the June 2012 police report.

Chief Wynnyk reported; the department applied for a School Bus Enforcement grant and purchased a new police vehicle.

E. REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER ~ *Dan Baden*

Report given after New Business

Refer to Appendix 8E for the end of the year fiscal report

Mr. Baden reported that the Audit for FY12 has been scheduled to begin on the first Tuesday after Labor Day.

F. REPORT ON THE MOSQUITO PROGRAM AND DISCUSSION ON MOSQUITO TRAPS ~ *David Brosch, Council member, Ward 1*

Council discussed the request to order mosquito traps and supplies for the Asian mosquito program Mr. Brosch delivered the Purchase Order. Supplies totaled \$840.00

Motion: To approve the Purchase Order for mosquito traps and related equipment, and to authorize the use of the line item for intended purchases and other necessary items for the mosquito study.

Moved by: Mr. Brosch

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

9. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Resolution 12-R-03 Maryland Municipal Public Works Association Mutual Aid Agreement 2nd Reading

Motion: To approve the adoption of Resolution 12-R-03 Maryland Municipal Public Works Association Mutual Aid Agreement

Moved by: Ms. Christiansen

Seconded by: Mr. Brosch

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND ADVISORY LIAISONS

The Town Code establishes the first three committees listed in Chapter 2, Section 2-103. The Tree Committee is established by Ordinance in Chapter 16, Section 16-103. The Stream Committee operates under a one-year special committee mandate from Council. (Current appointments, listed in italics).

Motion: To approve the appointments to the following council committees as stated in the Town Code Chapter 2, Section 2-103, and Chapter 16, Section 16-103:

Police, Traffic, and Public Safety:

Mr. Roy Alvarez (Chair), Mr. Michael Cron, and Mr. James Gekas

Policy, Rules, and Municipal Structure:

Ms. Arlene Christiansen, Ms. Heidi Sorensen (Chair)

Public Facilities and Services:

Mr. David Brosch, Mr. Len Carey (Chair), Mr. Michael Cron

Trees: (Council Liaison to Committee):

Mr. Roy Alvarez

Step-UP (Council Advisory Committee): *ex officio*

Mayor John Rogard Tabori (Grant Business Manager), Mr. Len Carey (Chair), Mr. James Gekas

Moved by: Mr. Gekas

Seconded by: Mr. Alvarez

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

B. STREAM COMMITTEE RENEWAL

Motion: To approve the renewal of the Stream Committee

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

C. STREAM COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL LIAISON

Motion: To approve the following appointments to the Stream Committee; Council Liaison, Mr. Roy Alvarez, and Stream Committee Representatives Mr. Tom Stickles (Chair), and Mr. Frances (Mickey) Lucas

Moved by: Mr. Gekas

Seconded by: Mr. Brosch

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

~~**D. 9 PONDS MOU APPOINTMENTS**~~ *Agenda item moved to August 13, 2012*

Motion: To approve/disapprove the following appointments to the 9 Ponds MOU Committee; Mr. Tom Stickles (Chair) and Mr. Frances (Mickey) Lucas

Moved by:

Yea:

Seconded by:

Nay:

Abstain:

E. DISCUSSION/APPOINTMENTS OF TOWN COMMITTEES

Election Judge

Motion: To approve the following appointment to the position of Supervisor of Elections; Mr. Ed Lee

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez

Yea: 5

Seconded by: Mr. Brosch

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

F. ETHICS COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Motion: To approve the following appointments to the Ethics Commission for two (2) year terms each; Ms. Michelle Brane, Esq., and Sister Maureen Fiedler, PhD

Moved by: Ms. Christiansen

Yea: 5

Seconded by: Mr. Gekas

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

G. ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Tabori requests the Council consider the appointment of a Mayor Pro Tem, to act in the absence of the Mayor in the event of emergencies. (Mr. Len Carey currently holds this appointment).

Motion: To approve the appointment of Council Member Len Carey as Mayor *Pro Tempore* per Article III, Section 307 of the Charter, to perform the duties and exercise the authority of the Mayor, without further action by the Council, during an emergency when the Mayor is absent or otherwise unable to act.

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez

Yea: 5

Seconded by: Ms. Christiansen

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

H. COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON TOWN TREE WORK

Ms. Christiansen had questions on insurance reimbursement amounts for debris/tree clean-up following storms. In the absence of Mr. Beall and Mayor Tabori, Mr. Baden responded that the Town's insurance policy will reimburse up to \$10,000 for each storm event, and that Mr. Beall evaluates storm damage and discusses actions needed with Mayor Tabori.

11. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
John Rogard Tabori, Mayor