



**MEETING OF
UNIVERSITY PARK MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL**

**UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
4315 UNDERWOOD STREET**

**7:30 p.m.
November 2, 2015
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lenford Carey at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Gekas, Ms. Verrill, Mr. Caskey, Mr. Cron, Mr. Alvarez
Absent: None
Excused: Mr. Hess

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Carey.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Mr. Cron **Seconded by:** Mr. Thompson
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

4. PRESENTATION

Mayor Carey introduced Mayor Andrew Fellows and the new City Manager Scott Somers of College Park. Mayor Fellows’ term as Mayor terminates on the second Monday of December and he has chosen not to run for re-election. Mr. Somers is looking forward to the collaboration of the Route 1 corridor coalition.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6. PERMITS

**A. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION TO ERECT A SHED
(Majelissa and Pedro Carvalho, 6914 Pineway) Ward 5**

Motion: To approve the building permit application request to erect a 8’ x 12’ shed located on Lot 54, 55, 56, 57, Block E at 6914 Pineway.

Moved by: Mr. Caskey **Seconded by:** Mr. Gekas
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. AUTHORIZING A POSITION ON DSP 13009/06, MINOR REVISIONS TO THE CAFRITZ DETAILED SITE PLAN.

Motion: To authorize the Mayor and Town Attorney to submit a letter to the Prince George's County Planning Staff expressing no objection to DSP 13009/06, minor revisions to Building 5 architecture and relocation of the tot lot from Building 5 to an exterior location. These minor revisions are for Planning Director review only.

Moved by: Mr. Caskey **Seconded by:** Mr. Cron
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

B. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER TO BE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WORKS MONTH.

Motion: To adopt the Proclamation declaring November 2015 as Municipal Government Works Month, which is required for continued eligibility as a Banner City in the Maryland Municipal League.

Moved by: Mr. Thompson **Seconded by:** Ms. Verrill
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *October 19, 2015* as modified.

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez **Seconded by:** Mr. Thompson
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

9. DEPARTMENT AND COUNCIL REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

- On October 26, 2015 the Town Attorney and former Mayor Tabori went to Upper Marlboro and recorded the January 2012 *Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions* pertaining to the Cafritz site.
- The tennis court has been repaired at no cost to the Town.
- Mayor Carey has requested a crown reduction of three Bradford pear trees on Tennyson Street, which will be done in December.
- A budget transfer request will be made in December for Street Trees to pay for this crown reduction, since this line item has been significantly diminished.
- A Town Hall meeting with County Councilmember Dannielle Glaros and Senator Paul Pinsky has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the University Park Elementary School gymnasium. Councilmembers are encouraged to attend and to ask questions.
- The Town's Veterans Day observance will be held on November 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. The program will include two speakers, University Park Elementary School musical group to sing the National Anthem and the JROTC from Northwestern High School presenting the colors.
- The event scheduled for December 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. will be held at the University of Maryland Golf Course Club House. The following three employees/contractors will be recognized for their service: Public Works Mechanic and Supervisor. Kerry Hall (50 years),

- Town Engineer Rajvinder Sidhu (32 years), and Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson (30 years).
- Washington Gas is installing a gas line connection on route 1 across the state right of way to the Riverdale Park Station site. This work is being done with a permit provided by the State Highway Administration, which has required that they work only at night. Mayor Carey has addressed the issue of the work being done at night adjacent to a residential area, and Town police have asked that they park their trucks on the State right of way.
 - In reference to 7-Eleven, on October 26, 2015 the Mayor and Council of the Town of Riverdale Park voted to pursue a judicial appeal and to appeal to the District Council re: the Planning Board decision. University Park will be in support of these appeals.
 - On October 26 there was a dog-on-dog attack on Wells Parkway and College Heights Drive. Since University Park does not have the authority nor the trained personnel to handle this matter, Animal Management at the County level was notified.

B. COUNCIL REPORTS

Ms. Linda Verrill, Ward 4

Ms. Verrill recently attended a meeting in College Park on resources for aging in the community. College Park has put together an aging task force to explore the needs of aging people in their community and Ms. Verrill thought that University Park might like to consider doing the same. Ms. Verrill will be in contact with Mayor Carey to discuss the possibilities of forming a task force.

Mr. James Gekas, Ward 2

In reference to researching a new website design for University Park, Mr. Gekas suggested *www.thurmont.com* be added to the list of website recommendations.

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee - Mr. Alvarez, Ward 7

The next committee meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

10. ADJOURNMENT by consent at 9:03 p.m.