



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

**UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
4315 UNDERWOOD STREET**

**7:30 p.m.  
May 2, 2016  
MINUTES**

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

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

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Mayor Carey.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** as modified.

**Moved by:** Mr. Cron                      **Seconded by:** Mr. Hess  
**Yea:** 5    **Nay:** 0    **Abstain:** 0

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**5. PRESENTATION**

- A. Exploring 'Aging in Place' in University Park: Findings from a Needs and Strengths Assessment** - Celine Vos and Erika Larrea from the University of Maryland School of Public Health gave a presentation on the results of their assessment of University Park's needs and strengths regarding aging in place. The presenters were undergraduate students with majors in Behavioral and Community Health. Professor Sharon Desmond was also present.
- Some suggestions for the older residents were: mobility for the handicapped, accessible resources, social organizations, communication networks, volunteers, a citizens association, reliable outside assistance and meal planning.
  - Solutions for an aging in place community: compile a comprehensive directory with trusted resources, provide a community space for older adults to socialize, and establish a community group that specializes in helping aging adults.
- B. A Sustainability Action Plan for University Park** - Allison Harwick gave a presentation on a Sustainability Action Plan (attached) for the Town, which she has developed with the help of the Green Team and others, as part of a Capstone project for the Harvard University Extension School.

- The goal of this action plan is to save operation costs for the Town and to lower the environmental footprint.
- Recommended building a web page dedicated to sustainability efforts and Ms. Harwick offered to help with this process.
- Encouraged inviting interns from University of Maryland to regularly infuse inspiration into the process on sustainability.
- Suggested hiring a part time sustainability officer.

C. Mosquito Update – Rutgers University professor Ms. Dina M. Fonseca gave a presentation on invasive mosquitoes. For detailed information go to <http://asiantigermosquito.rutgers.edu>.

- There is nothing impossible about controlling mosquitoes. It is a question of organization and information.
- It only takes a few homeowners who aren't complying to infest the entire neighborhood.

## 6. PERMITS

### A. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION TO REPLACE SHED (Jason Taliaferro, 4443 Wells Parkway) Ward 3

**Motion:** To approve the request for a building permit to replace a 5' x 6' shed located on Lot 5 Block 3, Section 1 at 4443 Wells Parkway.

**Moved by:** Mr. Hess

**Seconded by:** Ms. Verrill

**Yea:** 5

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

### A. CONSULTATION REGARDING TRAFFIC CONCERNS ON VAN BUREN STREET

**Motion:** As per the recommendations of the Council Committee on Police, Traffic & Public Safety, to request the Mayor to hire Mr. James Cook of TruCount Data to consult with the Town concerning traffic problems on Van Buren Street and to compensate Mr. Cook for his services.

**Moved by:** Mr. Alvarez

**Seconded by:** Ms. Verrill

**Yea:** 5

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

### B. STOP BARS AT INTERSECTIONS ALONG CLAGETT-PINEWAY

**Motion:** As per the recommendations of the Council Committee on Police, Traffic & Public Safety Committee, to recommend that the Mayor request the Director of Public Works to paint three stop bars at the stop signs on the corner of Clagett-Pineway and Pineway, and four stop bars at the stop signs on the intersection of Clagett-Pineway and Clagett Road.

**Moved by:** Mr. Caskey

**Seconded by:** Mr. Alvarez

**Yea:** 5

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 18, 2016** as amended.

**Moved by:** Mr. Alvarez      **Seconded by:** Mr. Hess  
**Yea:** 5                              **Nay:** 0                              **Abstain:** 0

**9. DEPARTMENT AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

**A. MAYOR’S REPORT**

- A job description and announcement for the Code Compliance Officer was distributed.
- A job description for a Marketing Intern was distributed.
- Two events will take place on May 7, 2016: Rivers to Rockets Rally will bicycle through Town in the morning and the Porch Fest will take place from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**B. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Policy Rules and Municipal Structure-** Ms. Verrill reported on a successful Woodberry Street meeting to discuss recent and future Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) projects, and expressed her thanks to Public Works Director Mickey Beall.

**10. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**A. LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 16-O-03: Fiscal 2017 Budget (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

**Motion:** To approve the adoption of Legislative Resolution 16-O-03: Fiscal 2017 Budget.

*The meeting set for May 16, 2016 is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted after a public hearing at the same meeting.*

**Moved by:**                                      **Seconded by:**  
**Yea:**    **Nay:**                                      **Abstain:**

**Note:** Mr. Baden will provide updated budget line item descriptors before the next budget meeting scheduled for May 9, 2016. This will also be posted on the Town website.

**11. ADJOURNMENT** by consent at 9:47 p.m.