

February 4, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

In Attendance

Mayor Jeffrey Slavin
Council President Marnie Shaul
Council Member Barbara Zeughauser
Council Member Morris Panner
Council Member Franny Peale
Council Member Steve Surko
Ron Bolt, Town Attorney
Doug Lohmeyer, Engineering Consultant
Tolbert Feather, Town Arborist
Linda Williams, Town Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The Mayor and Council discussed staffing needs and projects to complete over the next few months. A meeting is to be scheduled for 2/19/19 at 7:00 pm to review the pool management bids. President Shaul noted that the refuse and recycling RFP should be issued in March, so a contractor can be selected in May. Concerning the pool bridge repair, it was noted that Rich is scheduling a meeting with the contractor.

It was noted that a status report would be provided at the March meeting, about placing Council packages on a tablet or similar device.

President Shaul will inform Montgomery Municipal Cable that Somerset is interested in having the Town Hall wired/improved for possible filming of meetings.

It was noted that the Pool Committee will schedule a meeting on software selection.

Consent Agenda

1. January 7, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes: Motion by President Shaul, seconded by Councilmember Panner to approve the minutes and to incorporate the changes by President Shaul regarding the budget transfer item #11. Motion passed 5-0.
2. Motion by Councilmember Peale to move Item #2 from consent to non-consent for discussion, seconded by Councilmember Surko. Motion passed 5-0.

Non-Consent

- #2 Phyllis Wiesenfelder recommended Council to consider approval setting the Town Election in 2019 for May 14, 2019 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Town Hall. Motion by President Shaul, seconded by Councilmember Peale to approve the time change. Motion passed 5-0.
3. Town Manager January Administrative and FY19 Fiscal Report. Town Manager Rich Charnovich was not present at meeting to give report. Mayor Slavin addressed questions.
 4. Building Permit Administrator Report. Doug Lohmeyer was present to give report and answer questions. Report has been updated by Wayne Fowler. Doug Lohmeyer gave updated report on 5800 Deal Place, 5710 Surrey, 5525 Trent, 5813 Surrey and 5415 Trent. It was noted that a waiver hearing will be held at the March meeting concerning 5800 Deal and an exception hearing will be held at the May meeting concerning 5415 Trent.
 5. PILOT Street Lighting project on Cumberland Avenue. Motion to sign acceptance letter and check for \$5,220.00 and returned to Pepco. Motion by President Shaul, seconded by Councilmember Zeughauser. Motion passed 4-1, with Councilmember Panner voting against.
 6. Motion to consider approval of Spring Tree Planting. Motion by Councilmember Panner to approve all trees other than Willow Oak at 5510 Surrey Street, seconded by President Shaul. Motion passed 5-0. Councilmember Surko made a request for the PRNC to weigh in on other canopy tree options for the resident.
 7. Adoption of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 6 of the Town Code of Ordinances. Motion by Councilmember Peale, seconded by Councilmember Panner. Motion passed 5-0.
 8. Adoption of an Ordinance to add a new Chapter 12 of the Code of Ordinances to adopt requirements concerning the installation and operation of small wireless telecommunications facilities in the public rights of way. Motion by

Councilmember Peale to adopt, seconded by President Shaul. Motion passed 5-0.

9. Motion to authorize sending a letter to the Montgomery County Council in relation to ZTA 19-01 which would make changes to Accessory Dwelling Unit rules in Montgomery County. Motion by President Shaul to send letter supporting affordable housing but not the ADU rules, seconded by Councilmember Peale. Motion passed 5-0.

10. General Code Update. A brief discussion with Councilmember Peale stating that she was waiting on status from Town Manager Rich Charnovich. No further discussion.

11. Mayor Slavin provided his report to the Town Council and had it available in the meeting room for the public.

12. Adjourn- 9:30 pm