

Town of Riverdale Park
Legislative Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2014
8:00 p.m.

In Attendance

Vernon S. Archer, Mayor
CM Alan Thompson, Ward 2
CM David Lingua, Ward 3
CM Christopher Henry, Ward 4
CM Raymond Rivas, Ward 5 (arrived at 8:06 p.m.)
CM Alejandro Silva, Ward 6

Sara Imhulse, Town Administrator
David Morris, Chief of Police
Jessica Barnes, Town Clerk

Call to Order

Mayor Archer called the legislative meeting to order at 8:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of reflection.

Approval of Agenda

CM Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by CM Henry.
Vote: 4-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

Mayor Archer requested that Legislative Action Item # 1 be removed from the agenda.

Presentation

Mayor Archer read a proclamation recognizing former Mayor Guy Tiberio. DPIE Director and former Mayor of Edmonston Adam Ortiz, former Town Administrator of Riverdale Park Patrick Prangley and Riverdale Park Resident Dannielle Glaros shared comments regarding Mr. Tiberio.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Vernon Archer reported:

- The deadline for proposals for the Youth & Community Wing project is Thursday, February 6.
- There will be a special legislative meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. to award a contract for the Youth & Community Wing project.
- Markings have been made for upcoming utility improvements in Ward 1 & 2. The Town will be monitoring the project and will ensure that roads are returned to the condition that they were in before the work began.
- Public Works Director Addison was excused from the meeting.
- Reminder to residents that yard waste will no longer be collected in plastic bags.
- Calvert House restaurant has closed.

Correspondence Summary

The Correspondence Summary was included in the meeting materials.

Treasurer's Report

As of 1/31/14 (subject to audit),

Revenue: \$ 4,859,205.01

Expenditures: \$ 2,801,416.96

CM Thompson made a motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CM Lingua. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Town Administrator's Report

Town Administrator Sara Imhulse reported:

- Town Hall and Public Works will be closed on February 17, 2014 in observance of President's Day.
- The MML annual Convention will be held June 8-11, 2014 in Ocean City.
- Thank you to staff for their hard work during the recent snow events.
- Families of the fallen Toledo firefighters are in our thoughts and prayers.

Police and Code Report

Police Chief David Morris reported:

- The RPPD Annual Overview will be presented at the Worksession on February 24, 2014.
- The Code Department continues to work on various issues in Town. Please contact the Code Department with concerns via e-mail or phone.
- CSX closing was delayed and will be rescheduled.

Fire Department Report

President Lampier reported:

- The aerial tower will be tested this week and back by the end of the month.
- Ambulance will be inspected during the first week in March.
- Just a reminder to the public to be cognizant of the dangers associated heating with candles and other auxiliary heating devices.

Discussion:

CM Henry asked where carbon monoxide detectors should be placed in a home. President Lampier discussed the proper placement of carbon monoxide detectors.

Council Committee & Ward Reports

CM Alan Thompson, Ward 2

CM Alan Thompson reported:

- Progress has been made regarding the size of the roundabout. Anticipating a modest reduction in the size but it is still under discussion.
- Dog Park MOU is still being reviewed by the Park & Planning attorneys.
- Please continue to send feedback regarding the chain link fence ordinance.

CM David Lingua, Ward 3

CM David Lingua reported that the next CKAR meeting will be held on February 4, 2014 at 7:00 pm at 6200 Riverdale Road.

CM Christopher Henry, Ward 4

CM Christopher Henry provided an overview of Public Works activities in 2013 and thanked the Public Works Committee for their diligence and hard work.

CM Raymond Rivas, Ward 5

CM Raymond Rivas thanked the public for attending the meeting and reminded residents that the Town is still seeking volunteers for events for the children in Riverdale Park. Please contact CM Rivas if you would like to volunteer.

CM Alejandro Silva, Ward 6

CM Alejandro Silva stated that he would have a report at the next meeting.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items and Consent Agenda Items

There were no additional public comments.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda items:

1. Request for a temporary license and waiver from section 42-14(b)(1), 42-14(b)(4), and 42-14(b)(5) of the Town Code for Teresa's Garden Center to sell flowers at 6111 Kenilworth Avenue February 12-14, 2014 and May 9-11, 2014 (Ward 4)
2. Fence Permit Application: Formal Associates, LLC; 5802 Cleveland Avenue; replaced existing fence with 6 foot wood fence (Ward 1)
3. Motion to send a letter of support regarding HB 325 and SB 358, Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 - Prince George's County - Riverdale Park Town Hall Expansion
4. Minutes from the January 6, 2014 Legislative Meeting

CM Henry made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by CM Thompson. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Legislative Action Items:

- ~~1. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-OR-01 regarding chain link fences~~
2. Motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R-01 regarding William Wirt Middle School

CM Lingua made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R-01 regarding William Wirt Middle School. The motion was seconded by CM Thompson. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

CM Lingua read the resolution into the record. Resident Dannielle Glaros suggested that the 47th District Delegation to the General Assembly be included as well.

3. Motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R-02 endorsing Funding Request in County Budget for Welcome Center

CM Lingua made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R-02 endorsing the funding request in County Budget for Welcome Center. The motion was seconded by CM Henry. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

CM Lingua read the resolution into the record.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business discussed.

New Business

- Letter for Anacostia Watershed Society

CM Thompson made a motion to request that the Town issue a letter of support substantially similar to the one included in the Council Packets. The motion was seconded by CM Lingua. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

CM Thompson gave an overview of the request from AWS. Town Administrator Imhulse clarified that AWS is seeking a letter of support from the Town for their grant application.

- Removal of Parking Restrictions for 5010 Somerset Street

CM Thompson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R-03, removal of the property at 5010 Somerset Street from any restricted or permit parking area. CM Henry seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

CM Thompson explained the request from the occupant of 5010 Somerset Street.

Adjournment

CM Lingua made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. The motion was seconded by CM Thompson. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Typed from notes by JEB.