

Town of Riverdale Park
Legislative Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2017
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 Colleen Richardson, Ward 5
CM Alejandro Silva, Ward 6

Leonard Addison, Acting Town Manager and Director of Public Works
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: 6-0 (favorable)

Mayor's Report

Mayor Vernon Archer reported:

- Holiday Market, Senior Luncheon and Children's Party were greatly appreciated by residents
- Town Manager John Lestitian will begin on January 23rd
- Commended town staff on handling of IHOP illegal demolition issue
- Will not be seeking re-election in May after 12 years of service- serving has been a fabulous experience.

Correspondence Summary

The Correspondence Summary was included in the meeting materials. CM Thompson requested copies of items 1,2,3,4 and 8.

Treasurer's Report

As of 12/31/16 (subject to audit),
Revenue: \$ 4,351,586.54
Expenditures: \$ 2,687,207.82

CM Thompson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CM Lingua. Vote: 6-0 (favorable)

Town Manager's Report

Acting Town Manager Leonard Addison reported:

- Thank you to town staff for holiday events
- Thank you to staff for Senior Luncheon- very nice event!
- Holiday Market was another success
- Town Hall and DPW will be closed on January 16. Trash pick-up will remain the same.
- Thank you to Council for their patience during tenure as Acting Town Manager
- Thank you to town staff for their assistance during tenure as Acting Town Manager

Police Department Report

Chief of Police David Morris reported:

- Happy New Year!
- Discussion regarding investigation of hate signs posted on 4700 block of Riverdale Road
- Discussion regarding illegal demolition of IHOP building on Kenilworth Avenue

Discussion:

Heather Cronk asked about the Fusion Report and Chief Morris gave an overview.

CM Lingua reported graffiti at the Riverdale Road and Tanglewood Drive bus stop.

Public Works Report

Director of Public Works Leonard Addison reported:

- Bulk trash drop-off will be on January 21 (third Saturday of each month)
- Curbside leaf collection ends on January 15
- Live Christmas tree collection will take place on regular yard waste collection day
- Trash will be collected on MLK holiday (January 16)
- Residents are encouraged to check the Town website and *Town Crier* for more information regarding snow procedures.

Fire Department Report

The Fire Department's report was included in the meeting materials. President Lamphier gave an overview of the report. President Lamphier also reported that he expected that there would be changes to Santa's visit via fire truck next year.

Discussion:

CM Henry thanked the fire department for visiting Madison Hill on Christmas Eve as the kids in the community enjoyed their visit.

Council Committee & Ward Report

CM Alan Thompson, Ward 2

CM Alan Thompson reported:

- Happy New Year!
- Looking forward to working with Town Manager John Lestitian
- Thank you to staff and residents for their support during recovery from medical procedure
- Thank you to staff and volunteers for holiday events
- Holiday Market was fantastic!
- Disgusted by recent hate crime in town
- Thanked Mayor Archer for his years of service to the Town
- Announced plans to run for Mayor in May

CM David Lingua, Ward 3

CM David Lingua reported:

- CKAR will meet on January 10 at 7 p.m.
- Recently met with contractors considering a project (new homes) in Ward 3
- Holiday events have come a long way over the years- great job to staff and volunteers!
- Welcome to Town Manager John Lestitian

CM Christopher Henry, Ward 4

CM Christopher Henry reported:

- Happy New Year!
- Welcome to Town Manager John Lestitian
- Thank you to Chief Morris for outstanding leadership
- Great job to Mr. Addison for balancing both jobs- very appreciative of his hard work.
- Thank you to Town Staff
- Disgusted by hate crime in town
- Honor and pleasure serving with Mayor Archer- wishes him the very best in the future!

CM Colleen Richardson, Ward 5

CM Colleen Richardson reported:

- Happy New Year!
- Will miss Mayor Archer's leadership
- Still learning as a new member of council

CM Alejandro Silva, Ward 6

CM Alejandro Silva thanked Town Administration for their hard work in 2016.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda items:

1. Minutes for December 5, 2016 Legislative Meeting
2. Minutes for December 19, 2016 Special Legislative Meeting

CM Thompson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by CM Henry. Vote: 6-0 (favorable)

Legislative Action Items

1. Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-R-01 regarding reactivation of Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee/Green Team

CM Thompson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-R-01 regarding the reactivation of the Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee/Green Team. The motion was seconded by CM Lingua. Vote: 6-0 (favorable)

Discussion:

Lora Katz requested that a councilmember serve on the Sustainability Committee. Ms. Katz also requested a copy of item 9 on the Correspondence Summary.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

CM Lingua discussed a recent Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments survey regarding electric vehicle charging stations.

CM Thompson made a motion to delegate authority to complete the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments survey regarding electric vehicle charging stations to CM Lingua in consultation with the Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee, Council and staff. The motion was seconded by CM Henry. Vote: 5-0 (favorable). CM Lingua abstained.

Adjournment

CM Henry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m. The motion was seconded by CM Thompson. Vote: 5-0 (favorable)

Typed from notes by JEB.