

Kensington Around Town

May—June 2015

Town Election

The Town Election will be held on Monday, June 1, 2015 from 6:00 pm through 9:00 pm at Town Hall. There are three (3) Candidates for two (2) Council Seats. The Candidates are:

Darin R. Bartram (*Incumbent*)
Tom H. Rodriguez
Clifford J. Scharman

Candidates Forum

A Candidates Forum will be held on Thursday, May 28th, beginning at **6:00 pm** in the Council Chambers of Town Hall.

Additional 2015 Town Election information may be found at the following:

<http://tok.md.gov/town-business/elections/>



CALENDAR

Historic Buildings Workshop

Wed., May 27th, 7pm
Town Hall

Candidates Forum

Thurs., May 28th, 6 pm
Town Hall

Summer Series

Movie In The Park

Sat., May 30th
Sunset
St. Paul Park
(Mayor's Report p.2—schedule)

Town Election

Mon., June 1st
6:00 pm—9:00 pm
Town Hall

Town Council Meeting

Mon., June 8th, 7 pm

Greenscape Committee

Tues., June 9th, 7 pm

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One of several new Town signs at the Town Hall and all Town Parks.

FY16 Budget Adopted

The Town Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-16 (FY16) Budget Ordinance at the May 11th Town Council Meeting.

The FY16 Budget Ordinance is available to view beginning on Page 11, and on the Town's website: www.tok.md.gov.

The **Real Property Tax Rate** will remain at **\$0.136** per \$100 of assessed value; the **Personal Property Rate (Business)** was increased to **\$0.65** per \$100 of assessed value; and the **Personal Property Utility Rate (Utility)** was increased to **\$3.20** per \$100 of assessed value. *The total Capital and Operating Budget for FY16 is \$3,046,583.*

FROM MAYOR FOSSELMAN



MOVIE IN THE PARK

The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD) and the Town are proud to present the 2015 Summer Schedule for Movie In the Park:

SATURDAYS at SUNDOWN

May 30th—Toy Story

June 27th—Aladdin

July 25th—Finding Nemo

August 29th—The Lion King

September 6th—Frozen

Movie admission is free, but **KVFD is raising money to buy a new ambulance** so they may continue to provide great fire and rescue service to our community. Please consider making a donation at one or all of the movie nights to help our fire department meet its goal!

SUMMER 2015 SAFE SWIMMING TIPS BY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.
- Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system!
- Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate Red Cross water orientation and Learn-to-Swim courses.
- Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water.
- Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.
- Establish rules and enforce them without fail. For example, set limits based on each person's ability, do not let anyone play around drains and suction fittings, and do not allow swimmers to hyperventilate before swimming under water or have breath-holding contests.
- Even if you do not plan on swimming, be cautious around natural bodies of water including ocean shoreline, rivers and lakes. Cold temperatures, currents and underwater hazards can make a fall into these bodies of water dangerous.

PETS—WATCH FOR SIGNS OF HEATSTROKE

- Extreme temperatures can cause heatstroke. Some signs of heatstroke are heavy panting, glazed eyes, a rapid heartbeat, difficulty breathing, excessive thirst, lethargy, fever, dizziness, lack of coordination, profuse salivation, vomiting, a deep red or purple tongue, seizure, and unconsciousness.
- Animals are at particular risk for heat stroke if they are very old, very young, overweight, not conditioned to prolonged exercise, or have heart or respiratory disease. Some breeds of dogs—like boxers, pugs, shitzus, and other dogs and cats with short muzzles—will have a much harder time breathing in extreme heat.
- How to treat a pet suffering from heatstroke:
 - Move your pet into the shade or an air-conditioned area. Apply ice packs or cold towels to her head, neck, and chest or run cool (not cold) water over her. Let her drink small amounts of cool water or lick ice cubes. Take her directly to a veterinarian.

Have a Fun and Safe Summer!

Town Permits

3932 Washington Street

Addition

3948 Baltimore Street

Alteration

Plyers Mill Rd. & Wheatley St.

Wash. Gas

3509 Frederick Avenue

Fence

3714 Washington Street

Fence

10221 Montgomery Avenue

Pool

10605 St. Paul Street

Fence

3417 Oberon Street

Interior

10103 Frederick Avenue

Fence



From Town Manager Daily

Building Permits—Please be reminded that both a Town and County permit for any exterior or interior structural changes are needed, with the exception of landscaping and repairs. Historic District properties will also need a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). Please contact the Town staff with any questions.

- The Council approved the FY16 Budget at our May 11th Meeting. Highlights include a number of street resurfacing projects, along with replacing the sidewalk along Kensington Parkway for ADA compliance, and adding additional brick imprinted crosswalks throughout the Town.
- Please be reminded that Bulk Trash items must be called in to the Town Offices by 12 noon each Monday, prior to the expected Tuesday pick-up. Bulk usually consists of appliances and any metal items. Please contact the Town staff with any questions: 301-949-2424.
- Kensington was recently named the second best DC Suburb to live in by Movoto.com. <http://www.movoto.com/washington-dc/best-washington-dc-suburbs/>

MAYOR

Peter C. Fosselman

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COUNCIL

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Sean McMullen

Paul Sexton

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Jason Swain, Crew Chief

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March 9, 2015 Town Council Summary

- Approved the Town Council Minutes from February 9, 2015.
- Presented Chief Heflin, Kensington Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD), with a \$1,000 donation towards their Ambulance Fundraiser.
- Introduced Budget Ordinance No. O-01-2015 for Fiscal Year 2015-16 (FY16) and set the *Public Hearing date for Monday, April 13, 2015.*
- Introduced Ordinance No. O-02-2015 - Amending Chapter IV, Article II, establishing Section 4-209 by incorporating Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery County Code in order to regulate the towing of vehicles from private property. The *Public Hearing date was set for Monday, April 13, 2015.*
- Introduced Ordinance No. O-03-2015 - Amending Chapter II, Article I, establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, Compensation of the Mayor and Council. The *Public Hearing date was set for Monday, April 13, 2015.*
- Approved Resolution No. R-05-2015 - A Resolution confirming the appointments made by the Mayor to the Development Review Board (DRB).
- Approved Resolution No. R-06-2015 - A Resolution supporting HB 690, Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015, currently before the Maryland State Legislature.

March 9, 2015—Mayor Fosselman, Council Members Bartram, Furman, McMullen, and Sexton, Town Manager Daily, Assistant Town Manager Hoffman and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence was observed. Council Member Furman announced her son made Senior Master Sergeant with the US Air Force.

The Minutes from the February 9, 2015 Town Meeting were approved. See Council Actions.

The Mayor presented Chief Heflin of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD) with a \$1,000 donation from the Town to jumpstart their ambulance fundraiser. Chief Heflin thanked the Town and stated the new ambulance has been ordered, with a delivery scheduled for early next year. Chief Heflin also appointed Mayor Fosselman as an honorary member of the KVFD and presented him with a fire helmet.

From the Mayor and Town Council –

Mayor Fosselman reported he held a Coffee with the Mayor with apartment Residents to discuss a number of issues; he is currently working with staff to respond to requests and suggestions; the playground equipment has been installed, and he noted that positive feedback has been received and thanked the many volunteers; announced the County Forestry Board has awarded the China Fir, located within Clum Kennedy Park, with the designation of Champion Tree. The China Fir is the largest known in the County. He attended the annual MML legislative reception in Annapolis, where HB 690 (Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015) was discussed; he noted that he also testified in favor of HB 690; and thanked the Town crew and staff for their work during the snow storms.

Council Member Sexton thanked everyone involved with the Park Department's Historical Buildings meeting and commended their efforts to seek funding for future renovation projects at Kensington Cabin Park, Noyes Library, and the Warner Mansion.

Council Member Furman reported the Greenscape Committee will be meeting March 10th, and will discuss possible shade structures for Howard Avenue Park. The Committee will also discuss details for the April 18th Arbor Day event in conjunction with the Farmers Market. She mentioned that Maier Warner

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was finalizing updates to the ExploreKensington.com website, to include a children's page and restaurant guide. They will also be distributing both a brochure highlighting a number of Town events, along with a business/restaurant guide to neighboring areas to help promote the Town. Council Member Furman asked about appointing Yvonne Gurney and Bonita Condon to the Greenscape Committee, as Bonnie Berko stepped down from the Committee; and commended Jason Swain for the pictures he took during the latest snow storm.

Council Member McMullen thanked the Town crew for all their efforts during the weather events; and noted that the Traffic Committee met on February 25th, discussing the Fawcett Street and Howard Avenue parking situation, with the Committee agreeing to continue enforcement. The Committee also discussed the possibility of dedicating certain spaces for businesses, most likely coming from the Train Station lot. Noted that a radar recording device was purchased, which will help provide information to the Town on the number of cars and their speed at certain locations, to include the area of Howard Avenue and Fawcett Street; Armory Avenue; and Calvert Place. The next Traffic Committee meeting will be held on April 29th at 7 p.m.

Council Member Bartram reported that he attended the Traffic Committee meeting and thanked the Town crew and staff for their work during the recent weather events.

From the Public –

George Buckwalter asked about replacing the Maple tree in Howard Avenue Park; and the continued need for parking enforcement along Fawcett Street. Council Member Furman stated the tree would be replaced as part of the Arbor Day event, and the Mayor stated he will contact the property owner of the Decorating Den about continued parking violations.

Dr. Campbell thanked the Town crew for snow removal, and noted he supported the Town's efforts on HB690. Dr. Campbell also requested enforcement of the intersection of Frederick Avenue and Frederick Place, where the stop sign is disregarded by many drivers; and for a brick crosswalk to replace the painted crosswalk along Kensington Parkway in front of Kensington Cabin Park. Town Manager Daily stated that although it is not recommended to place crosswalks in the middle of a block, he would discuss a possible realignment with our Traffic Engineer.

Mr. Daily also noted that he would ask the Montgomery County Police to include Frederick Avenue and Frederick Place in their enforcement areas.

Jack Gaffey thanked the Town crew for snow removal, and stated that a lot of people do not stop at the posted stop signs, and that white painted stop bars would help drivers identify the intersection.

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations –

Ordinance No. O-01-2015 – Adopting the Town Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16 (FY16) and levying a tax on all assessable property within the Town was introduced. A Public Hearing was set for Monday, April 13, 2015, 7 pm. Town Manager Daily stated that he recommends that the Real Property Tax Rate remain the same at \$0.0136. Council Member McMullen invited the public to email any comments or questions in advance of the Public Hearing to Mayor.Council@tok.md.gov. There were no public comments. See Council Actions.

Ordinance No. O-02-2015 – Amending Chapter IV, "Traffic and Vehicles", Article II, "Parking", establishing Section 4-209, "Motor Vehicle Towing on Private Property", by incorporating Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery Code, "Motor Vehicle Towing and

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Immobilization on Private Property”, and regulate the towing of vehicles from private property was introduced.

Town Manager Daily stated that while the State law currently applies to towing on private property within the Town, the County law better suits our needs on enforcement, and we are required to adopt Section 30-C to allow for County enforcement to apply. Council Member McMullen clarified that by adopting Section 30-C, it will give those that have a private property towing dispute the ability to contact the County’s Department of Consumer Affairs to investigate. The current State law does not allow for this grievance process. Mr. Daily stated he would contact the Office of Consumer Affairs to see if they could have someone available for the Public Hearing to answer any additional questions.

Marlene Cohn spoke in support of the Ordinance and thanked Delegate Carr and the Town for their response to her concerns. Mayor Fosselman also thanked Delegate Carr for his attention to this matter.

Ordinance No. O-03-2015 – Amending Chapter II, “Government and Administration”, Article I, “Town Offices and Procedures”, by establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, “Compensation of the Mayor and Town Council” was introduced. The Public Hearing date was set for Monday, April 13, 2015. Town Manager Daily stated that in researching the salaries of other elected officials within the State, they varied greatly. However, one approach was to link their compensation to the cost of living index, which would take effect in July of each year. There was no public comment. See Council Actions.

Resolution No. R-05-2015 – A Resolution confirming the Mayor’s appointments of Paul Sexton (Council), Darin Bartram (Revitalization), Van Franke (Professional),

and Brian Hak (Resident) to the Development Review Board for two (2) year terms was presented. There was no public comment. See Council Actions.

Mayor Fosselman stated that the Development Review Board was created to oversee any future development within the Town.

Resolution No. R-06-2015 - A Resolution supporting the adoption of House Bill 690 (HB690), the Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015, was presented. Mayor Fosselman stated that HB 690 would allow for counties and municipalities to determine an appropriate compensation for duplicated services. Currently, some municipal residents throughout the State are being taxed by both their county and municipality for a service provided by the municipality. The Mayor also encouraged Residents to call and write their District 18 Representatives and let them know you support HB690.

Sam Bellet, representing Boy Scout Troop 6, acknowledged his Troop’s attendance in order to meet the local government requirement for the Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge. Mayor Fosselman thanked Troop 6 for their attendance.

Council Actions –

Council Member Sexton moved to approve the Minutes from the February 9, 2015 Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to introduce the Budget Ordinance No. O-01-2015 for Fiscal Year 2015-16, and set the Public Hearing for April 13, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Furman moved to introduce Ordinance No. O-02-2015 - Amending Chapter IV, “Traffic and Vehicles”, Article II,

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“Parking”, establishing Section 4-209, “Motor Vehicle Towing on Private Property” to incorporate Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery Code, “Motor Vehicle Towing and Immobilization on Private Property”. The Public Hearing was set for April 13, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to introduce Ordinance No. O-03-2015 - Amending Chapter II, “Government and Administration”, Article I, “Town Offices and Procedures”, by establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, “Compensation of the Mayor and Town Council”. The Public Hearing was set for April 13, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to adopt Resolution R-05-2015 confirming appointments of Paul Sexton (Council), Darin Bartram (Revitalization); Van Franke (Professional); and Brian Hak (Resident) to the Development Review Board for two year terms. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to adopt Resolution R-06-2016 supporting the adoption of HB690, Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Sexton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

A recording of each Town Council meeting may be found on our website: <http://tok.md.gov/town-business/council-meeting-recordings/>

Additionally, a brief summary of any actions taken during a Council Meeting is sent out through our email notification system the following day. If you would like to receive this notification, please join our email list at www.tok.md.gov.

April 13, 2015

Town Council Summary

- Approved the Town Council Minutes from March 9, 2015.
- Held a Public Hearing on Budget Ordinance No. O-01-2015 for Fiscal Year 2015-16 (FY16). *The public record will remain open until the close of business (4:00 pm) on May 6, 2015.*
- Held a Public Hearing on Ordinance No. O-02-2015 - Amending Chapter IV, Article II, establishing Section 4-209 by incorporating Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery County Code in order to regulate the towing of vehicles from private property. *The public record will remain open until the close of business (4:00 pm) on May 6, 2015.*
- Held a Public Hearing on Ordinance No. O-03-2015 - Amending Chapter II, Article I, establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, Compensation of the Mayor and Council. *The public record will remain open until the close of business (4:00 pm) on May 6, 2015.*

April 13, 2015—Mayor Pro Tem Furman, Council Members Bartram, McMullen, and Sexton, Town Manager Daily, Assistant Town Manager Hoffman and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. Mayor Fosselman was necessarily absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence was observed.

The Minutes from the March 9, 2015 Town Meeting were approved. See Council Actions.

From the Town Council –

Council Member Bartram commended the recently held 2nd Annual Kensington Car Show and looked forward to future events within the Town, including the Day of the Book Festival.

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Council Member McMullen reported that the Traffic Committee will convene on Monday, May 4th, 7 pm. Code Enforcement Officer, Jim Snow, will be presenting data from the newly acquired radar recording device on certain Town streets.

Council Member Sexton thanked Mario Bruno, Kensington Service Center, for coordinating the Car Show. He also suggested having a number of the cars within the Labor Day Parade.

Council Member Furman reported that Maier Warner has distributed a post card advertising upcoming Town events to neighboring areas; the ExploreKensington.com website has been updated; the Kensington Map brochure has been completed and will be available at the Day of the Book Festival; and reminded everyone that the Greenscape Committee will be hosting an Arbor Day event in conjunction with the Farmers Market on Saturday, April 18th, at the Train Station.

From the Public –

George Buckwalter requested a remedy to the apartments not receiving the recently distributed post card highlighting Town events. Mr. Buckwalter also asked why vehicles continue to receive only warnings and not tickets for violating the parking restrictions on Fawcett Street.

Council Member Furman stated that it was not the intention of the Town's public relations firm to skip sending the post card to apartment residents, and that we would make available the post cards.

Council Member McMullen stated that we should be ticketing violators at this point and should no longer be issuing warnings. Town Manager Daily stated he would discuss the matter with the Code Enforcement Officer.

Julie O'Malley spoke in support of the Car Show and asked where she could get a copy of the Town Map and Restaurant Guide.

Council Member Furman stated that the Town just received the maps and will make them available at the Day of the Book Festival.

Elisenda Sola-Sole spoke on the importance of the apartment residents receiving Town literature.

Council Member Bartram asked about the distribution of the Town Journal.

Assistant Town Manager Hoffman explained that the Around Town Journal is mailed directly to apartment residents that have asked to receive a hard copy of the Journal, and noted that the staff created a direct mail list following a number of inquires, but few apartment residents responded. The Around Town Journal is available on our website (www.TOK.MD.GOV), at Town Hall, and placed within the Howard Avenue kiosk.

Jack Gaffey suggested checking with Gary Ditto on obtaining a copy of his mailing.

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations –

Council Member Furman stated that each Ordinance was introduced at the March 9th Council Meeting and appropriately advertised per the requirements set forth within Section 1307 of the Town Charter.

A Public Hearing was held on Ordinance No. O-02-2015 – Amending Chapter IV, "Traffic and Vehicles", Article II, "Parking", establishing Section 4-209, "Motor Vehicle Towing on Private Property", by incorporating Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery County Code, "Motor Vehicle Towing and Immobilization on Private Property", to regulate the towing of vehicles from private property.

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Eric Friedman and Doug Numbers, Montgomery County Office of Consumer Protection, were present to explain the difference between the County and State regulations regarding private property towing. Currently, the County law does not apply within Kensington, so the protections they offer are not available for issues that arise within the Town. Mr. Numbers mentioned that while the State law does offer some recourse, incorporating the County law would benefit consumers if an issue were to happen; stating that there was no downside to the Town adopting Chapter 30-C.

Dr. Michael Curran, a business owner within the Town, spoke in favor of adopting Ordinance No. O-02-2015 and incorporating Chapter 30-C of the County Code.

The record will remain open until the close of business on May 6, 2015. See Council Actions.

A Public Hearing was held on Ordinance No. O-01-2015 – Adopting the Town Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16 (FY16), and levying a tax on all assessable property within the Town. Council Member McMullen reported no questions had been received prior to the Public Hearing. See Council Actions.

Dr. Campbell asked whether a brick imprinted crosswalk was included within the CIP for the area crossing Kensington Parkway at Kensington Cabin Park; suggested that the next street resurfacing project be placed out to bid following some concerns he had with the Town's current contractor, NZI Construction; questioned why Personnel Services under General Government within the FY16 Budget had increased 10 percent from the previous fiscal year; and asked why anticipated speed camera revenue had increased from the previous fiscal year.

Town Manager Daily stated that the 10 percent increase in Personnel Services included a proposed 3.7 percent cost of living and merit increase for the Town staff, funding for a possible part-time and/or internship position to help with both administrative and economic development projects, along with an additional contribution to the Town's defined benefit plan to help off-set the Town's obligation. Mr. Daily also explained that the speed camera revenues are expected to increase from the previous fiscal years, as construction projects along Connecticut last year limited the availability of the cameras use.

Council Member McMullen and Town Manager Daily both stated that they would review the existing contract with NZI and compare it with Montgomery County's resurfacing contract.

George Buckwalter mentioned issues with the benches and trash cans along Howard Avenue and if the budget allowed for maintenance. Town Manager Daily stated that the budget includes funds to replace a number of benches.

A Public Hearing was held on Ordinance No. O-03-2015 – Amending Chapter II, "Government and Administration", Article I, "Town Offices and Procedures", by establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, "Compensation of the Mayor and Council". Town Manager Daily stated that the salaries of elected municipal officials varied greatly State wide; however, one approach municipalities have taken is to link their compensation to the cost of living index (CPI), which would take effect in July of each year.

Julie O'Malley stated that the amount the Mayor and Council receive has always been considered an honorarium and questioned the use of the CPI.

Dr. Curran spoke in support of the CPI.

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George Buckwalter suggested increasing the compensation by the amount of the CPI over the last eight years, and then incorporating an increase through the CPI from there.

Jack Gaffey reiterated that the intent of the compensation was a modest honorarium and also stated that an increase occurred during the administration of Mayor Raufaste.

Eli Sola-Sole suggested that the honorarium be a round number and not linked to the CPI.

The Council discussed the possibility of increasing the amount by comparing it to the CPI over a period of the last eight years; identifying a specific amount; or just linking the pay to coincide with the years CPI. The Council decided that they would keep the record open until 4:00 pm on May 6th to allow greater feedback from the community. See Council Actions.

Council Actions –

Council Member McMullen moved to approve the Minutes from the March 9, 2015 Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to hold the record open until the close of business May 6, 2015 on Ordinance No. O-02-2015 – Amending Chapter IV, “Traffic and Vehicles”, Article II, “Parking”, establishing Section 4-209, “Motor Vehicle Towing on Private Property” to incorporate Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery Code, “Motor Vehicle Towing and Immobilization on Private Property”. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to hold the record open until close of business on May 6, 2015 on the Budget Ordinance No. O-01-2015 for Fiscal Year 2015-16. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to hold the record open until close of business on May 6, 2015 on Ordinance No. O-03-2015 – Amending Chapter II, “Government and Administration”, Article I, “Town Offices and Procedures”, by establishing Sections 2-113 and 2-114, “Compensation of the Mayor and Town Council”. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances Adopted

Adopted **Ordinance No. O-02-2015** – Amending Chapter IV, Article II, by establishing Section 4-209 and incorporating Chapter 30-C of the Montgomery County Code in order to regulate the towing of vehicles on private property.

Adopted **Ordinance No. O-03-2015** – Amending Chapter II, Article I, by establishing Section 2-113 and 2-114 “Compensation” of the Mayor and Council as amended.

A copy of both Ordinances may be viewed at the following:

<http://tok.md.gov/ordinances-adopted/>

Leash Law—Please be reminded that the **Town requires all pets to be leashed and under the full control of a responsible person when in public recreation areas**, per Section 7-502 of the Town Code. A violation of this law may result in a \$45 citation for the 1st offense, and a \$90 citation for repeat offenses.

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ORDINANCE NO. O-01-2015

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE TOWN OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 AND LEVYING A TAX ON ALL ASSESSABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

WHEREAS, the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year, beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 must be submitted to the Town Council on or before the third Monday in April; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget ordinance must be introduced at a meeting of the Mayor and Town Council to allow for timely notice as required by the Town Charter and establish a public hearing on said Budget Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Proposed Budget provides a complete financial plan, including anticipated revenues and proposed expenditures, for the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington, in public meeting assembled, that the budget for the Town of Kensington for Fiscal Year 2016, beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016, be and it is hereby introduced and to be adopted as follows:

ANTICIPATED REVENUE

Local Taxes	\$948,168
Shared Revenues	\$558,500
Licenses & Permits	\$40,200
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$179,894
Fines and Forfeitures	\$100,545
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$62,000

ANTICIPATED OPERATING REVENUE	\$1,889,307
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Grants - County & State	\$0
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TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUE	\$1,889,307
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Re-appropriation	\$1,157,276
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TOTAL ANTICIPATED FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$3,046,583
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PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

General Government	\$826,747
Public Works	\$794,453
Public Safety, Parks & Non-Departmental	\$268,107

OPERATING TOTAL	\$1,889,307
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Capital Improvements Budget	\$1,157,276
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TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES	\$3,046,583
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AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all of the sums set forth herein under the heading "EXPENDITURES" be and hereby are appropriated.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that there is hereby levied on all of the assessable real property within the Town a tax at the rate of:

Real Property: Thirteen and 6/10 Cents (\$0.136) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value of said property.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED and there is hereby levied a tax on all personal property subject to taxation by the Town, at the rate of:

Personal Property: Sixty-Five cents (\$0.65) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value on the following personal property subclasses as authorized in § 8-101 of the Tax- Property Article, Annotated Code of Maryland: stock in business, distilled spirits, operating personal property of a railroad and all other personal property directed by said article to be assessed, with the exception that there is hereby levied a tax of **Three dollars and twenty cents (\$3.20)** on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value on the following personal property subclasses as set forth in § 8-101 of the Tax- Property Article, Annotated Code of Maryland:

1. operating personal property of a public utility that is machinery or equipment used to generate electricity or steam for sale; and
2. all other operating personal property of a public utility; and
3. machinery and equipment, other than operating personal property of a public utility, that is used to generate electricity or steam for sale or hot or chilled water for sale that is used to heat or cool a building.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Council hereby adopts the imposition of a full year, one-half year, three-quarter year and one-quarter year tax levies authorized pursuant to §§ 10-102, 10-103, 10-104 and 10-105, Tax Property Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and authorizes and empowers Montgomery County, Maryland, to collect and remit the same to the Town of Kensington, consistent with the imposition and collection of such levies on real property by Montgomery County.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Council may from time to time transfer funds by Resolution within the Operating and Capital Improvements Budget categories.

ADOPTED by the Town Council this 11th day of May, 2015.

COMMUNITY



The British Players
51st present the
**Old Time
Music Hall**



The Gaiety Theatre
London, England

with the Palace Variety Orchestra
Directed by Charles Hoag
Produced by Nicola Hoag

JUNE 12-27, 2015

A particular form of variety entertainment, "Music Hall" is the name given to both the show itself, and the venue in which it takes place. British music hall is similar to American vaudeville, involving a mixture of popular song, comedy and specialty acts, overseen by Mr. Chairman in a venue where the beer and wine flow.

Performance Dates

June: 12th, 13th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th, 26th,
and 27th ~ 8:00 pm

June: 14th and 20th ~ 2:00 pm

Tickets \$30

www.BritishPlayers.org

Kensington Historical Society's Summer Concert Series

June 6 ~ Wat Stewart Memorial Concert w/
Dixieland Express

June 13 ~ Mystic Warriors

June 20 ~ Cumberland Run

June 27 ~ Scrub Pines

July 4 ~ Ellen Cherry

July 11 ~ Esther Haynes & Keith Grimes

July 18 ~ 2nd Story Band

July 25 ~ Rita Clarke & The Naturals

August 1 ~ Blue Book Value

August 8 ~ Side By Side

August 15 ~ The K-Town Kid (Scott Stancill)

August 22 ~ Take Two

August 29 ~ Silver Creek

September 5 ~ GP Jams

September 12 ~ Ruthie & Greg Hardin

September 19 ~ Janine Wilson & Max Evans

September 26 ~ Angie & Carlos Munhoz

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