

Town Council Summary from the February 9, 2015 Town Meeting

- Approved the Town Council Minutes from January 12, 2015.
- Approved Resolution No. R-03-2015 - A Resolution confirming the appointments of David Beudet and David Weeda to the Town Ethics Commission.
- Approved Resolution No. R-04-2015 - A Resolution confirming the appointments of Martha Deale, Spencer Harrill, and Jenny Smith to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

February 9, 2015

Town Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 for Samantha Furman's speedy recovery.

The Minutes from the January 12, 2015 Town Meeting were approved. See Council Actions.

From the Mayor and Town Council –

Mayor Fosselman reported he attended the Maryland Mayors Association conference and was confirmed as the next President of the Association; met with a number of apartment Residents, along with Council Member Furman and Asst. Town Manager Hoffman, to discuss parking and additional apartment specific issues. The Mayor stated that the meeting was very productive and that the Town will take steps to improve communication and clarity of our parking restrictions.

Council Member Bartram reported that he attended the Wheaton-Kensington Chamber of Commerce Business Mixer and has been reviewing a number of issues that were mentioned at the previous Traffic Committee meeting.

Council Member McMullen reported that the Traffic Committee will convene on Wednesday, February 25th, 7 pm. The Agenda will be circulated in advance, but the meeting will focus on the following topics: parking on Fawcett and Howard; 3-way stop sign at Howard and Fawcett; parking regulations on Lexington Street; speed hump requests on Armory Avenue and Calvert Place.

Council Member Furman attended the Wheaton-Kensington Chamber of Commerce Business Mixer and noted that the Greenscape Committee will meet on February 24th (postponed until March 10th, 7 pm); requested that a future Town meeting discuss the benefits of a possible parking district.

Council Member Sexton thanked the Town for hosting the Wheaton-Kensington Chamber of Commerce Business Mixer; and thanked everyone for attending the Kensington Historical Building Workshop in cooperation with the Montgomery Parks Department. Council Member Sexton also noted the importance of the Town supporting the use of the historic buildings once the projects have been defined.

From the Town Manager and Staff

Town Manager Daily reported that he is working on the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget, which will focus heavily on street resurfacing, and will also include the replacement of the sidewalk along Kensington Parkway between Frederick Avenue and Kent Street.

Council Member McMullen suggested reconstructing the crosswalk that was between Clum Kennedy Park and the west side of Montgomery Avenue.

From the Public –

Julie O'Malley thanked the Town for co-sponsoring the Kensington Historic Buildings Workshop, and Council Members Furman and Sexton for their efforts. Ms. O'Malley noted that the County will be posting comments and suggested recommendations on their website and will schedule another meeting prior to addressing the Planning Board.

Jack Gaffey thanked Council Member Furman for arranging the Historic Buildings Workshop, and was appreciative that Kensington Cabin Park was included within the discussion, which he stated has been closed since 1997. Mr. Gaffey also thanked the Town crew for their efforts during the most recent snow.

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations –

Resolution No. R-03-2015 – A Resolution confirming the appointment of David Beaudet and David Weeda to the Town Ethics Commission for two year terms was presented. The Commission's third member, Jack Gaffey, was appointed previously. There was no public comment. See Council Actions.

Resolution No. R-04-2015 – A Resolution confirming the appointment of Martha Deale, Spencer Harrill, and Jennifer Smith to the Board of Supervisors of Election for the term of one year was presented. The Mayor thanked long-serving member Robin Watson for her service and noted that she intends to volunteer again in the future with the Board of Elections. There was no public comment. See Council Actions.

Council Actions –

Council Member Furman moved to approve the Minutes from the January 12, 2015 Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to adopt Resolution No. R-03-2015 confirming the appointment of David Beaudet and David Weeda to the Town Ethics Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Furman moved to adopt Resolution No. R-04-2015 confirming the appointment of Martha Deale, Spencer Harrill, and Jennifer Smith to the Board of Supervisors of Elections. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Sexton moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. The motion passed unanimously.