

Town Council Summary from the June 10, 2013 Town Meeting:

- Approved Town Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2013.
- Recognized Council Members Barch and Thompson for their service to the Town.
- Discussed status of resident petition for permit parking on Baltimore Street between Detrick Avenue and Connecticut Avenue; required public notice will be placed in the June Town Newsletter.
- Discussed whether to move the Labor Day Festival back to Howard Avenue from Armory Avenue; Council Member Furman will survey businesses on Howard Avenue.
- Reviewed code enforcement in Town and discussed hiring a former police officer for parking enforcement.
- Approved Resolution R-10-2013 extending an existing contract with NZI Construction Corporation for the resurfacing of certain Town streets.
- Approved Resolution R-11-2013 approving a contract with Montgomery County for Police Services for one year, subject to seeking additional police services from other providers that may more closely match the Town's needs.

June 10, 2013

Town Meeting 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Fosselman, Council Members Barch, Furman, McMullen, and Thompson, Town Manager Daily, Assistant Town Manager Hoffman and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence observed.

From the Mayor & Town Council – The Mayor, Council Members Furman and McMullen, along with Residents thanked Council Members Barch and Thompson for their dedication and hard work for the Town. The Mayor presented them with gift certificates from the Town. The Mayor and Council congratulated newly elected Council Members Bartram and Sexton. The Organizational meeting will be on July 1st.

The Mayor reported ADA upgrades have begun at Kensington Cabin Park and the exterior demolition at Warner Circle is scheduled to begin June 17th.

Council Member Furman reported the draft supplement to the Design Guidelines should be available for review in the fall and she is working with Eli Sola-Sole on developing ideas for a visitor map for the Town, which would also include historical information.

Council Member McMullen reported he will be working with Town Staff on revisions to the sign ordinance.

Council Members Barch and Thompson thanked the community for the opportunity to serve Kensington during their terms. Council Members Barch and Thompson also both spoke about the importance of the passing of the Sector Plan, the importance it will have on the future of Kensington and how our new blueprint will allow Kensington to attractively adapt to our ever changing environment. Council Member Barch reiterated that future development will be a long process but the plans have been set to move Kensington in the right direction. Council Member Thompson concurred and stated he looks forward to the possibility that he and other Residents will be able to retire in Kensington with a greater assortment of housing options where they will

no longer have yard maintenance.

From Town Manager and Staff – The location of the Labor Day Festival was discussed. Council Member Furman will survey businesses on Howard Avenue to find their preference for Howard Avenue and Town Manager Daily will arrange a meeting with the Labor Day coordinators. Eli Sola-Sole spoke in support of the festival returning to Howard Avenue. Jack Gaffey suggested parking the Lions Club bus parallel to the street during the festival.

The status of the Resident permit parking petition for Baltimore Street was discussed. Before the Council considers the petition thirty days notice, per Town Code, will be given to all Residents in the June newsletter. Sharon Bartram questioned the location of the proposed parking restriction and whether problems were different on that street than other streets in Town, such as Warner Street. Town Manager Daily clarified the petition was only for a section of Baltimore Street and permit parking restrictions already exist on Warner Street. The Mayor stated the Town is reviewing ways to enforce parking restrictions. Council Member elect Bartram noted the Code allows council members to serve as code enforcement officers, if necessary.

Review of code enforcement in the Town was discussed. Town Manager Daily stated code violations in Town are being enforced and explained the difficulty in enforcing parking restrictions. He is pursuing hiring a retired police officer experienced with parking enforcement to provide random enforcement throughout the Town. The Mayor noted an area in need of enforcement is the intersection of Howard and Armory; vehicles are parking too close to the corner and impairing visibility for vehicles turning onto Howard Avenue.

Council Member McMullen suggested a future agenda item to allow for revisions to the Town Code to help with enforcement issues.

Public Appearances – Jack Gaffey thanked the Town for reconfiguring the curb along Howard Avenue at Armory Avenue, and suggested moving the directional sign in front of the telephone pole; Julie O'Malley thanked the Town for improved landscaping at Howard Avenue Park, stated the Historical Society is reviewing other possible options for shade over performers such as a sail, and she requested information on the playground plans for Kensington Cabin Park. Town Manager Daily will provide an electronic version of the plans. Eli Sola-Sole noted graffiti in Town and the importance of removing it quickly as a deterrent. Hussein Ali, a journalism student at Georgetown, informed Residents he has been given the assignment of Kensington and looks forward to speaking with them.

Council Member Barch stated weeds at Flinn Park needed to be addressed.

An informal clean up of Silver Creek along Kensington Parkway was suggested.

Ordinances, Resolutions, and Regulations – Resolution No. R-10-2013 extending an existing contract with NZI for resurfacing additional Town streets was discussed. Town Manager Daily explained the existing contract, amended last year, would be extended to include an additional appropriation of \$210,000, authorized in the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget along with any remaining funds in the current CIP street reconstruction and renovation budget. Streets would include:

Frederick Avenue from Frederick Place to Wake Drive, Wheatley Street from Plyers Mill Road to Dupont Avenue, the intersection at Montgomery Avenue and Kensington Parkway and if funds permit, the Kensington Parkway access road. The Mayor suggested reviewing a section of Frederick Place while Frederick Avenue is being done if funds permit. There were no public comments. See Council Actions.

Resolution No. R-11-2013 approving a contract with Montgomery County, Maryland, for police services for one year was discussed. Town Manager Daily explained the Resolution gives authority for the contract to be signed by June 30th subject to the outcome of the upcoming meeting with State police. There was no public comment. See Council Actions.

Council Actions:

Council Member Furman moved to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2013 Town Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Thompson moved to approve Resolution No. R-10-2013 authorizing the Town Manager to extend an existing contract with NZI Construction Corporation for resurfacing additional Town Streets, and not to exceed the additional appropriation of \$210,000 authorized in Fiscal Year 2013-14 budget together with any unexpended funds in the Street Reconstruction and Renovation Account. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member McMullen moved to approve Resolution No. R-11-2013 to approve a contract with Montgomery County, Maryland for police services for one year. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Barch moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.