



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 2, 2014

7:00 p.m.

**Public Hearing:**

**Ordinance 958**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND CHAPTER 34 OF THE CITY CHARTER AMENDING CHAPTER 205 ZONING SECTION 205-9 I (6) RESIDENTIAL FENCE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY CODE.

**Public Comments: 7:05**

Joe Kochenderfer; Tydings Road: commented on Ordinances 958,959 and 960- see attached comments.

**Ordinance 959**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND CHAPTER 34 OF THE CITY CHARTER AMENDING CHAPTER 151 SIGNS OF THE CITY CODE.

**Public Comments: 7:05**

Mr. Robert Buden; Washington St: Does not support the electronic signs.

Mr. Jim Miller; Lewis St: Mr. Miller stated there was Zoning Review Ordinance that covered all the Ordinances that are on the agenda for public hearing that was never adopted and feels Council is reinventing the wheel.

The owner of One Stop supports the use of electronic signs so he can stay in competition with other businesses.

**Ordinance 960**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND CHAPTER 34 OF THE CITY CHARTER AMENDING CHAPTER 205 ZONING SECTIONS 205-13,, 205-27; 205-36 AND 205-37 RELATED TO AUTO REPAIR OR SERVICE CENTERS IN THE RB OR COMMERCIAL ZONES IN THE CITY.

**Public Comments: 7:20**

Mr. Jim Miller; Lewis St: Mr. Miller stated there was Zoning Review Ordinance that covered all the Ordinances that are on the agenda for public hearing that was never adopted and feels Council is reinventing the wheel.

Mrs. Robin Shane; Juniata St. Stated the Planning Commission has worked very work, to include 14 public hearings and feels that these issues have been addressed.

The public hearing were closed at 7:27

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order on August 18, 2014 at 7:27 p.m. with Mayor Dougherty presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember's, Craig, Martin, Glenn, Correrri, Cullum and Gamatoria. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Wayne H. Dougherty and the opening prayer was given by Mayor Wayne. H. Dougherty.

A motion was made by Councilmember Correrri and seconded by Councilmember Cullum to approve the Council meeting minutes of August 18, 2014; motion carries 6-0

**RECOGNITIONS:**

Alexa Millian was recognized by the Susquehanna Hose Company, Harford County Department of Emergency Services and Mayor Dougherty and City Council for her life saving abilities during a fire at her home.

**PROCLAMATIONS:** None

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**OATH OF OFFICE:** None

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

Curt Iseli from Rodder's Journal asked Council for support for the event application that is one the agenda.

Bruce Russell from the Maritime Museum asks Council to support the budget amendment this evening for the new environmental center.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

**ORDINANCES:** None

**UNFINISHED OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Correrri and seconded by seconded Councilmember Craig to approve the Candlelight Tour that has been moved to December 13, 2014. Motion carries 6-0

A motion was made by Councilmember Correrri and seconded by Councilmember Craig to approve the Rodder's Journal Revival and Hot Rod Show to be held on September 26, 2014. Motion carries 6-0

A motion was made by Councilmember Corrieri and seconded by Councilmember Glenn to approve the Susquehanna Flats Classic on October 4, 2014; motion carries 6-0

A motion was made by Councilmember Corrieri and seconded Councilmember Glenn to approve Graw Days/Fall Festival on October 11, 2014; motion carries 6-0.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gamatoria and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to approve Budget Amendment 2015-05; under the question, a motion was made by Councilmember Glenn and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to remove \$2,200 out of the \$11,000 for the goal posts request. Mr. Glenn states the H.C.P.S will not approve the goal posts. Budget Amendment 2015-05 as amended passes 6-0 on roll call vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**Mr. Jim Newby;**

Mr. Newby stated the planning of the second elevated walk way over Lilly Run has started and it will be the single span metal walkway at North Park

**Mr. Lofland:**

Mr. Lofland gave an update on how the department of Economic Development is moving forward on projects and day to day operations.

**Mr. Neal Mills; Director of Planning:**

No comment

**Mr. George DeHority; Director of Finance:**

Mr. DeHority states the auditors are making progress.

**Mr. Bill Reeder; Deputy Director of Public Works**

Mr. Reeder stated the Phase 1 paving project on Juniata Street is finished and the paving on Legion Drive is complete.

**Chief Teresa Walter:**

Chief Walter reminded everyone that when you have your wipers on, headlights should also be on as well.

The prescription drug take back will be held on September 27 from 10-2 p.m.

Chief Walter commented on the Citizen Connection and stated beneficial information is presented.

**Business from Mayor Dougherty:**

Mayor Dougherty stated Young at Heart meets every Wednesday at 10 a.m at the Activity center.

**Business from Council:**

**Councilmember Cullum:**

Councilmember Cullum stated he will be in Annapolis September 10,11,12 for the Fall Conference.

**Councilmember Correrri:**

Councilmember Correrri announced a fundraiser will be held on 9/27 for Assistant Chief Bobby Goll.

**Councilmember Gamatoria:**

Councilmember Gamatoria thanked the Citizens for speaking during the public hearings. Councilmember Gamatoria also referenced the Citizen Connection Newsletter and stated the information is resourceful.

Mr. Gamatoria thanked the Chief for keeping the City safe and enforcing the law.

Mr. Gamatoria will not be in attendance at the next meeting.

**Councilmember Glenn:**

Councilmember Glenn stated the Street and Traffic Safety Advisory Board met and he is sad that Kevin Racine has announced his resignation, as he is moving to Delaware.

**Councilmember Craig: No comment**

No comment

**Council President Martin:**

A motion was made by Council President Martin and seconded by Councilmember Correrri ; I make a motion pursuant to the State Government Article Section 10-508 for the Mayor and City Council to move into closed session and return to open session prior to item number 20-Comments from Citizens, the purpose of the closed session is to meet with the City Attorney to discuss a legal matter and the potential acquisition of property for a public purpose. Motion carries 6-0

The Meeting was reconvened at 8:47 with Mayor Dougherty and all members of Council present.

A motion was made by Council President Martin and seconded by Councilmember Correrri to authorize the Mayor to proceed pursuant Charter section 73 to acquire property for the use by the public as discussed in the closed session. Motion carries 6-0 on roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilmember Correrri and seconded by Councilmember Cullum to rescind a motion Councilmember Correrri made on 10/4/10. Motion carries 6-0 on roll call vote.

**Comments from Citizens:**

Kevin Racine; Erie Street; Thanked the Mayor and Council for being supportive throughout the years for his passion of public transportation. He is moving to Delaware.

A motion was made by Councilmember Craig and seconded by Councilmember Glenn to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. Motion carries 6-0