



PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 4, 2015

7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order on May 4, 2015 at 7:00p.m.with Mayor Dougherty presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember's Craig, Martin, Gamatoria, Glenn and Cullum. Councilmember Correrri was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Wayne H. Dougherty and the opening prayer was given by Pastor Baron Young of St. James AME Church.

A motion was made by Councilmember Craig and seconded by Councilmember Gamatoria to approve the Council meeting minutes of April 20, 2015; motion carries 4-0 with Councilmember Cullum recusing himself and Councilmember Correrri is absent.

**RECOGNITIONS:**

Student of the Month recognitions were presented to the following:

Havre de Grace Elementary School student Aidan Tramontana

Meadowvale Elementary School student Leylani Carstens

Havre de Grace High School student Asa Cromwell

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

A Youth Week proclamation was presented to the Elks Lodge

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Ramona Bolen from Young at Heart presented a plaque of recognition to Mayor Dougherty for his service and support to their organization.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Craig and seconded by Councilmember Gamatoria to approve the following appointments to the RAD Loan Committee. Motion carries 5-0

Rory White, Robert Wehland, Mara Sierocinski, Rayma McRoberts, Garrett Lyttle:

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

The Oath of Office was administered by Mayor Dougherty to the following

Rory White, Robert Wehland, Rayma McRoberts, Garrett Lyttle:

Mara Sierocinski was sworn in on May 12 was administered the Oath of Office on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

**ORDINANCES:** None

**UNFINISHED OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Ms. Joan Scarlato; Deputy Director of Administration:

Ms. Scarlato reminded citizens that tomorrow is Election Day and the polls are open 7am-8pm.

Mr. Tom Lofland; Director of Economic Development:

The Harford County 2015 Relator Expo will be holding their annual conference on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at the Residence Club at Bulle Rock.

On Friday April 24, 2015, participated in a panel discussion presentation to Harford Leadership Academy.

On Friday, May 1, 2015 we participated in a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Main Street Children's Dentistry located at the Swan Creek Center on Rt. 40 in Havre de Grace.

Wagon Wheel Trading Company located in downtown at 212 North Washington Street opened its doors on Friday, May 1, 2015.

On April 24, 2015 Cecil County Representatives made their presentation to the Maryland Transportation Authority Board to request lowering the tolls on the Hatem Bridge.

Had the opportunity to work with Delegate Mary Ann Lisanti and while working together with Delegate Lisanti she discovered that the Annual Revenue on the Hatem Bridge in FY 2014 was \$12.2MM while Expenses totaled \$8.3MM. A difference of \$3.90MM.

In the last three weeks of April the following licenses were issued by the Maryland Department of Assessment And Taxation: WEM Inc./A-1 Used Auto Parts- Redmond's Auto of Pasadena Maryland. Pat's Comfort Care LLC and Vickery Design

Mr. Neal Mills; Director of Planning:

Mr. Mills stated Family Dollar will be breaking ground soon.

Mr. George DeHority; Director of Finance: No report

Mr. DeHority stated the finance department is closing the third quarter.

Mr. Larry Parks; Director of Public Works:

Mr. Parks stated the final stages of the Living Fence have begun.

Chief Teresa Walter:

Chief Walter thanked the citizens who donated and assisted to Baltimore City PD, Fire and EMS.

**Business from Mayor Dougherty:**

Mayor Dougherty reported on the Fiscal 2015 Third Quarter Financial Results

Mayor Dougherty presented the FY 2016 Budget.

**Business from Council:**

**Councilmember Corrieri:** Absent

**Councilmember Cullum:**

Councilmember Cullum recognized the student of the month recipients. . He thanked the citizens who were sworn in to the RAD Loan Committee. Mr. Cullum also asked for a quick recovery for both Mr. Newby and Councilmember Corrieri.

**Councilmember Craig:**

Councilmember Craig thanked the citizens that were appointed to the RAD Loan Committee.

Councilmember Craig congratulated the Dance Program on a very successful 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Recital.

**Councilmember Gamatoria:**

Councilmember Gamatoria congratulated the Student of the Month recipients.  
Councilmember Gamatoria also thanked the volunteers on the RAD Loan Committee.  
Mr. Gamatoria thanked the HDG PD for everything they do for the City.  
Mr. Gamatoria stated First Fridays was a great success.  
Councilmember Gamatoria stated that Budget and Finance will meet to discuss the concerns with Fund 9.  
Councilmember Gamatoria wishes all the candidates good luck.

**Councilmember Glenn:**

Councilmember Glenn wished Mr. Newby and Councilmember Correrri best of luck in recovery.  
Councilmember Glenn congratulated the Student of the Month recipients and thanked the RAD Loan applicants.  
Councilmember Glenn stated he is working on a reduced speed limit and the Oak Tree Drive concerns.  
Councilmember Glenn suggested that the Governor should visit HHS to see the condition of the school in hopes funding will become available.  
Mr. Glenn attended the retirement party for Karen Green and wishes her well.  
Mr. Glenn stated he started the Women's 5K by the Bay race and commended Sue Jacobs for a job well done.  
Councilmember Glenn stated First Fridays, the Farmers Market, Decoy Festival were a success.  
Councilmember Glenn wished all the candidates good luck in the election tomorrow.

**Council President Martin:**

Council President Martin announced a Council Work Session on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Council Chambers.  
Council President Martin commends the Park and Rec Dance team for a great recital. Also commended the success of the Decoy Museum, First Friday and the Farmers Market.  
Council President also wished all the candidates good luck in the election.

**Comments from Citizens:**

Pastor Norman Obenshain- stated he appreciates the Mayor and Council support for the Habitat for Humanity project on Adams Street.

Pat Vincenti; 303 West Lane; Thanked the Mayor and Council for their support for the Decoy Festival.

A motion was made by Council President Martin and seconded by Councilmember Cullum to adjourn at 8:51pm. Motion carries 5-0