



PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 4, 2011

Called to Order at 7pm
Public Hearing- Ordinance 925

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER SECTION 34, AMENDING HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CODE CHAPTER 147 RENTAL PROPERTY BY DELETING THE ENTIRE CHAPTER 147 FROM THE CITY CODE.

Citizens Comments: Ms. Carol Rimel; 810 S. Market St; Feels the Ordinance is not serving the purpose and should be abolished.

Public Hearing- Ordinance 926

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER SECTION 34, AMENDING HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CODE CHAPTER 25 ARTICLE VIII SECTIONS 25-50 THROUGH 25-56 BY DELETING SECTIONS 25-50 THROUGH 25-56 FROM CHAPTER 25 OF THE CITY CODE.

No citizen's comments

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order on April 4, 2011 at 7:00pm with Mayor Dougherty presiding and the following council members present: Councilmember's Martin, Cullum, Craig, Shank, Miller and Correrri. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Dougherty and the opening prayer was performed by Mayor Wayne Dougherty

A motion was made by Councilmember Shank and seconded by Councilmember Correrri to approve the minutes of March 22, 2011. Motion carries 6-0

PRESENTATIONS: None

RECOGNITIONS: (Student of the Month Recognitions were presented by Mayor Dougherty)
Maggie Malia from Meadowvale Elementary School
Sarah Steele from Havre de Grace Elementary School
Sara Corder from Havre de Grace High School

PROCLAMATIONS: (Presented by Mayor Dougherty and Councilmember Craig)
A Proclamation was presented to the Havre de Grace Music Department recognizing their achievements at the Solo and Ensemble Festivals.

APPOINTMENTS: None

OATH OF OFFICE: None

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

RESOLUTIONS:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE CITY CHARTER SECTION 34 AND ARTICLE 23 A OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROCEED WITH THE REFINANCE OF THE CITY'S INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS SERIES SEWERAGE FACILITIES BOND OF 1987, SERIES 1992 A, 2000 SERIES A AND APPROVING THE INCLUSION OF THE BALLOT QUESTION PF THE REFINANCE SERIES 1992 A BOND.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Councilmember Correrri to introduce Resolution 2011-03. Motion carries 6-0; after the header was read and assigned a number, Councilmember Cullum explained the rationale of the Resolution. A motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Council President Martin to adopt Resolution 2011-03. Motion carries 6-0.

ORDINANCES: None

UNFINISHED OLD BUSINESS: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Ms. Carol Mathis; Director of Administration:

Ms. Mathis reports budget preparation has been a priority and each department has met with the Mayor to address any concerns.

Mr. Neal Mills; Director of Planning:

Mr. Mills reported Harford County is updating their Master Plan and the next public work shop will be April 7th at Harford Community College.

Mr. George DeHority; Director of Finance:

Mr. DeHority has submitted the final ENR Request

Mr. DeHority states the finance department is closing the third quarter of the fiscal year

Mr. Larry Parks; Director of Public Works:

Mr. Parks announced the Yard Waste Pick up dates and Spring Clean Up. These dates will be added to the website and posted at City Hall.

Chief Walter; Havre de Grace Police Department:

Chief Walter announced on behalf of the liquor board that citizens should contact them even for a one day liquor license.

The National Prescription Drug take back will be held on April 30th from 10-2pm; Locations include the Harford County Office building and the HDG Police Department.

Chief Walter announced April 7th 2011 at 6pm HDG on Watch will be holding a meeting

Chief Walter informed citizen's the police department will be using the Coca-Cola plant for training

Business from Mayor Dougherty:

Young at Heart meets every Wednesday at 11am at the Activity Community Center on Lewis Lane
Mayor Dougherty announced Sergeant Tony King, our City employee and soldier was recognized with the highest honors.

Business from Council:

Councilmember Shank:

Mr. Shank announced the Arts by the Bay will be holding a 10% off sale

Mr. Shank announced as of July 1st 2011 John Sullivan will be the Director of the Decoy Museum

Main street First Fridays and Graw Days will be advertised on banners compliments of Amtrak and Huber. A 9x36 banner will be placed near Legion Square and a 6x20 banner will be placed on the catwalk at Huber.

A motion was made by Councilmember Shank and seconded by Councilmember Correrri that Main Street to authorize the hanging of banners with the corporation of Amtrak and JM Huber to support First Fridays and Graw Days. Banners will be placed in the designated areas two weeks prior to the events. Motion carries 6-0

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Tydings Park on April 23, 2011

Mr. Shank attended the Local Elected Officials Meeting sponsored by The Town of Aberdeen along with Councilmember Miller, Council President Martin, Mayor Dougherty and Ms. Carol Mathis.

Mr. Shank announced the first three Sundays of the month the Elks Lodge offers breakfast for an affordable price.

Mr. Shank and Pat Fair attended Annapolis to represent the Arts and Entertainment District

Historic Walking tours began Saturday; eleven participants were from out of town Saturday, April 9th is the re-opening of the Lock House.

Councilmember Correrri:

Thanked the Water and Sewer Commission for the last meeting
The next DPW Meeting will be held on Wednesday at 3:30pm

Councilmember Miller:

Mr. Miller announced the next Public Safety meeting will be held on April 7th at 5:30pm.

Councilmember Cullum:

Mr. Cullum made several meeting announcement; Planning Committee will be meeting next Wednesday at City Hall, The Marina Commission will be meeting April 14th at 6pm; The next Harford- Cecil meeting will be held in Chesapeake City on April 21 2011

Councilmember Cullum read into the record the ballot question that will appear on the May 3rd Ballot. A motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Councilmember Shank to approve the ballot question. Motion carries 6-0

Councilmember Craig:

Councilmember Craig would like to review the third quarter results by April 11, 2011

Mr. Craig would like an update on the paving or patching repair on Canvasback Dr. Mr. Craig has requested an assessment concerning the Micro seal that was laid on Tidewater Drive. He suggested a manufacture assessment since the micro seal was put on seven months ago.

Council President Martin:

No comments

Comments from Citizens:

Betty Coakley; Girard Street: Ms. Coakley spoke on the upcoming election.

A motion was made by Councilmember Craig and seconded by Councilmember Correrri to adjourn at 8:17pm; Motion carries 5-0 (Councilmember Miller excused himself from the Dias during citizen's comments)