

**CITY OF ABERDEEN**  
**Council Meeting**  
**April 24, 2017**

**Council Present:** Mayor Patrick McGrady  
Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck  
Councilman Melvin Taylor

**Absent:** Councilman Steven Goodin  
Councilman Timothy Lindecamp

**Also Present:** Randy Robertson, City Manager  
Phyllis Grover, Director of Planning and Community Development  
Kyle Torster, Director of Public Works  
Henry Trabert, Chief of Police  
Opiribo Jack, Director of Finance  
Monica Correll, City Clerk

Mayor McGrady called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The prayer was delivered by Pastor Jeffrey Ellwood, Evangel Assembly of God and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Melvin T. Taylor.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Ordinance No. 17-O-09, Amendment of FY 2017 Budget (5)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to approve Consent Agenda Item, Ordinance No. 17-O-09, Amendment of FY 2017 Budget (5).

**The motion passed by a vote of 3 – yes; 2 – absent; 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilwoman Landbeck, and Councilman Taylor.  
Absent: Councilman Goodin, Councilman Lindecamp.  
Nays: None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to approve the Council Meeting minutes of:

1. March 6, 2017 Work Session
2. March 13, 2017 Work Session
3. March 20, 2017 Work Session
4. April 10, 2017 Closed Meeting
5. April 13, 2017 Work Session
6. April 17, 2017 Work Session
7. April 20, 2017 Work Session

**The motion passed by a by a vote of 3 – yes; 2 – absent; 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilwoman Landbeck, and Councilman Taylor.  
Absent: Councilman Goodin, Councilman Lindecamp.  
Nays: None.

**STATEMENT OF CLOSED MEETING FOR APRIL 10, 2017:**

On April 10, 2017, the Mayor and Council held a regularly scheduled Council Meeting in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. All members voted by roll call in the affirmative to close the meeting.

At approximately 10:12 p.m., a closed meeting was convened by the Mayor and Council in the second floor administrative conference room. Members present were: Mayor Patrick McGrady, Councilman Steven Goodin, Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck, Councilman Timothy Lindecamp, and Councilman Melvin Taylor. Also in attendance were Randy Robertson, City Manager, Monica Correll, City Clerk, and two guests from a consulting company.

The meeting was held pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Statutory Authority Md. Code Annotated, General Provisions Article § 3-305(b): (4) to consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State, and (8) to consult with staff, consultants or other individuals about pending or potential litigation. The topic, under citations (4) and (8), was an update on a contractual discussion.

During this meeting, the Mayor and Council met with the two consultants for discussion purposes. No action was taken and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:52 p.m.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. FY2018-2020 Consolidated Draft Plan for Community Development Funding, Harford County Department of Housing & Community Development, Barbara Richardson  
Ms. Richardson briefed the Council on the plan and welcomed input from the Council and public pertaining to the use of the funds.
2. National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month - Lt. Veto Mentzell, Program Director, Harford County Child Advocacy Center  
Lt. Mentzell presented an overview of child abuse in America and how Harford County Advocacy Center advocates for children with intervention and prevention.
3. Proposed Improvements to Aberdeen MARC Station–Phyllis Grover, George Hill, MTA and Earl Leach, Rummel, Klepper & Kahl  
Mr. Leach updated the Council on the proposed improvements to the Aberdeen MARC Station which included an enhanced bus stop, installed inverted “U” bike racks, sidewalk improvements, brick paving, and street trees.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. Taryn Martin, Allison Clark, Erin O'Hara, and Beth Oleszczuk, Aberdeen Middle School:  
As teachers and staff from Aberdeen Middle School, they thanked the Mayor and Council for providing the school a School Resource Officer.

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION:**

1. Charter Amendment Resolution No. 17-CR-01, Revisions to City's Structure of Government

The Mayor said that this would be worked on in a Work Session.

2. Ordinance No. 17-O-10, Amendment of FY 2017 Budget (6)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to introduce Ordinance No. 17-O-10, Amendment of FY 2017 Budget (6). Council discussion followed. **The motion passed by a vote of 3 – yes; 2 – absent; 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilwoman Landbeck, and Councilman Taylor.

Absent: Councilman Goodin, Councilman Lindecamp.

Nays: None.

**BUSINESS OF THE CITY:**

1. Unfinished Business: None.
2. New Business: None.
3. Updates from City Manager and Staff

The City Manager reported on the progress of the train station work, the APG centennial celebration project, and the success of the Harford County Continuum of Care Meeting sponsored by the City of Aberdeen. He also reported on a 30-day test on dispatching alternatives with the County.

- a. Surplus of Vehicles

A motion was made by Councilman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to approve the surplus of Department of Public Works Vehicles:

Old Unit #7 - 2004 Ford F-350 – VIN # 1FDSW35P24EB67222 - Mileage: 90,967

Old Unit #17 - 2005 Sterling L7500 – VIN # 2FZAASDC35AU00313 – Mileage: 24,915

**The motion passed by a vote of 3 – yes; 2 – absent; 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilwoman Landbeck, and Councilman Taylor.  
Absent: Councilman Goodin, Councilman Lindecamp.  
Nays: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Samantha Harris, Edgewood, MD: Ms. Harris asked about the APG Fallen Workers Memorial Dedication date.

**BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:**

1. Business from the Council Members: The Council expressed appreciation for the public comments on the Aberdeen Middle School Resource Officer and reported on their meetings and activities.
2. Business from the Mayor: The Mayor scheduled Work Sessions for every Monday until the budget was completed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Council Work Session: Monday, May 1, 2017, 5:30 PM, 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Council Work Session: Monday, May 8, 2017, 5:30 PM, 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Council Meeting: Monday, May 8, 2017, 7 PM, Council Chambers  
Council Work Session: Monday, May 15, 2017, 5:30 PM, 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Council Work Session: Monday, May 22, 2017, 5:30 PM, 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 7 PM, Council Chambers  
APG Fallen Workers Memorial Dedication & Ceremony, May 31, 2017, 11 AM, Festival Park  
Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Victory Street Park, May 5, 2017, 12:30 PM, Victory Street Park  
Aberdeen Farmers Market May Dates, May 4 and 18, 2017, 4 -7 PM, Festival Park

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Being there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.