

**City of Aberdeen Council Meeting  
August 22, 2016**

**Council Present:** Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck, Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor

**Absent:** None

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

Mayor McGrady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The prayer was delivered by Pastor Catherine Hooker, New Beginnings Church of God, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 Council Meeting. **The motion passed by a by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Goodin to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2016 Closed Meeting. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

A motion was made by Councilman Goodin and seconded by Councilman Lindecamp to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2016 Closed Meeting. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

### **1. Aberdeen Heritage Trust Beautification Awards**

The Mayor and Ms. Judith Hinch, member of the Heritage Trust, presented the Aberdeen Heritage Trust Beautification awards to: 1) Jeffrey and Joan Felts, East Deen Avenue, and 2) Grovenor and Lam Wheelden, Edmund Street.

### **2. Senator Robert Cassilly, District 34, Briefing on Transit Oriented Development and Train Station**

Senator Cassilly said that the train station was his signature project in Annapolis. He has been intervening with the State Highway Administration on this, the Rt. 22 project, and other matters in his district. The next session in Annapolis would deal with the key challenges of jobs and bringing business back to the State. Council discussion followed.

### **3. Introduction of New Employees**

Mr. Robertson announced the following new City employees and introduced the employees who attended: Shawn Donald, P/T DPW Secretary, Carlton Dixon, Environmental Worker, Matthew Cornett, Maintenance Trainee, and Christopher Ramming, Environmental Driver. The Chief introduced the following newly hired lateral police officers: Travis Hart; Amos Pettit; and Corey Lightner.

### **4. Maryland Municipal League, The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns**

The following representatives from the Maryland Municipal League (MML) attended: Mr. Scott Hancock Executive Director; Ms. Paula Chase Hyman, Director, Member Relations; and Jake Romanell, President-Elect/Councilman of New Market, Maryland. They explained their history and that they provide services to 157 municipalities for advocacy and development of effective leadership through four core areas: legislative advocacy; research and technical assistance; training and education; networking and member programs.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Pastor Catherine Hooker, Bel Air: Pastor Hooker thanked the Council for help with providing school resource officers.
2. Ms. Joyce Woods, Carol Avenue: Ms. Wood thanked the City for solving a problem with fox in her community.
3. Former Councilwoman Ruth Ann Young, Doris Circle: Former Councilwoman Young complimented the training and educational programs of MML. She also commented on the problems with 428 Doris Circle. The City Manager provided updates on the property.

4. Senator Cassilly, District 34: Senator Cassilly said that he endorses MML and encourages attendance of the conferences. He said that MML provides a collective repository and continuity of municipal knowledge.

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION:** None.

**BUSINESS OF THE CITY:**

1. Unfinished Business

- a. Rules of Council Procedure – Postponed.

2. New Business None.

3. Updates from City Manager and Staff

- The City Manager asked for the Council’s input on the priority topics for the “offsite” scheduled on November 12, 2016. He reported on partnering opportunities with Aberdeen Proving Ground and that playground equipment may be available from the Edgewood installation to replace the equipment vandalized in one of the City’s parks.
- The Chief reported on the playground equipment vandalism and other community activities held by the Police Department.
- Mr. Torster reported on the drinking water quality and that the City provides an annual quality report. Bids were being reviewed for the railings and demolition/concrete work for Leidos Field at Ripken Stadium. He and the City Manager have been meeting with the leasee of the stadium.

a. Department of Public Works Bids

1) Bid No. 17-04, Plater Street Stream Improvements

Three bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for Equipment Quality Resources, Millersville, Maryland, the lowest bidder.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to award Bid No. 17-04, Plater Street Stream Improvements to Equipment Quality Resources, Millersville, Maryland in the amount of \$99,551.00. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

2) Bid No. 17-05, One (1) New and Unused 25-Yard Rear Loader Refuse Truck Award

Six bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for Maryland Industrial Truck, Linthicum, Maryland, the lowest bidder. The bid included a trade-in credit for the existing refuse truck.

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Goodin to award Bid No. 17-05, One (1) New and Unused 25-Yard Rear Loader Refuse Truck to Maryland Industrial Truck, Linthicum, Maryland in the amount of \$141,000, to include a trade-in value of \$36,515 for the existing refuse truck in the City's inventory. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

3) Bid No. 17-06, Asphalt Roller Award

Five bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for Alban Cat, Baltimore, Maryland, the lowest bidder.

A motion was made by Councilman Taylor and seconded by Councilman Goodin to award Bid No. 17-06, Asphalt Roller to Alban Cat, Baltimore, Maryland in the amount of \$26,579. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

4) Bid No. 17-07, Bulk Cargo Truck Award (justification lowest bidder)

Three bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for Baltimore Freightliner, Baltimore, Maryland, the second lowest bidder. There was a difference of \$552.37 between the lowest bid and the next higher bid. Justification toward to the second lowest bid was based on repair history and the department's inventory.

A motion was made by Councilman Goodin and seconded by Councilman Taylor to award Bid No. 17-07, Bulk Cargo Truck to Baltimore Freightliner, Baltimore, Maryland in the amount of \$85,645. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

5) Bid No. 17-08 4WD Utility Bed Truck Award

Three bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for, Bayshore Ford Trucks, New Castle, Delaware, the lowest bidder.

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Goodin to award Bid No. 17-08 4WD Utility Bed Truck to Bayshore Ford Trucks, New Castle, Delaware in the amount of \$69,459. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 - no.**

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

Nays: None.

6) Bid No. 17-09, One (1) 1-Ton, 4WD, Crew Cab Utility Bed Truck Award

Three bids were received by the Public Works Department and recommendation was made for Plaza Ford, Inc., Bel Air, Maryland, the lowest bidder.

A motion was made by Councilman Taylor and seconded by Councilman Goodin to award Bid No. 17-09, One (1) 1-Ton, 4WD, Crew Cab Utility Bed Truck to Plaza Ford, Inc., Bel Air, Maryland in the amount of \$71,597. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 - no.**

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

Nays: None.

**COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE CHANGE:**

By unanimous agreement, the Council decided to reschedule the Council Meeting of September 12, 2016 to September 19, 2016.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Mr. Steve Johnson, W. Bel Air Avenue: Mr. Johnson complimented appearance improvements to the City.

**BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:**

1. Business from the City Council: Discussion included student traffic safety, the new procurement position, Maryland Municipal League benefits, and the increased relationship with Aberdeen Proving Ground.
2. Business from the Mayor: The Mayor reported on the cleanup activities of the Keep Aberdeen Beautiful group and the planning activities for Christmas Street Parade.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: Monday, September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Third Friday Festivals in Festival Park, September 16, 2016 starting at 5:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.