

CITY OF ABERDEEN
Council Meeting
June 20, 2017

Council Present: Mayor Patrick McGrady
Councilman Steven Goodin
Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck
Councilman Timothy Lindecamp
Councilman Melvin Taylor

Absent: None

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
Shawn Donald, Recording Secretary

Mayor McGrady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The prayer was delivered by Councilman Melvin Taylor and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Goodin to approve the following minutes:

Council Work Session, April 10, 2017
Council Meeting, April 10, 2017
Council Work Session, April 24, 2017
Council Meeting, April 24, 2017
Council Meeting, May 8, 2017

The motion was passed by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.

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

STATEMENT OF CLOSED MEETING:

Statement of Closed Meeting for June 5, 2017

On June 5, 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 8:24 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: Frederick Sussman, City Attorney; Randy Robertson, City Manager; and Monica Correll, City Clerk.

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 (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter. The topic for closing was an update on contractual discussions.

During this meeting, the Mayor and Council met with the City Attorney and City Manager for discussion purposes on a contract matter and Council concerns. No action was taken and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:49 p.m.

Statement of Closed Meeting for June 16, 2017

On June 16, 2017, the Mayor and Council held a Special Council Meeting in the second floor administrative conference room at 11:00 a.m. Mayor McGrady, Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor voted by roll call in the affirmative to close the meeting.

At approximately 11:05 a.m., a closed meeting was convened by the Mayor and Council in the same room. Members present were: Mayor Patrick McGrady, Councilman Timothy Lindecamp, and Councilman Melvin Taylor. Councilwoman Landbeck and Councilman Goodin were absent. Also in attendance were: Fred Sussman, City Attorney; Randy Robertson, City Manager; Opiribo Jack, Finance Director; 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): (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter. The topic was contract discussions

During this meeting, the Mayor and Council met for discussion purposes. No action was taken and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:33 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Ordinance No. 17-O-12, Grading and Erosion and Sediment Control Code

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Mark Schlottman, Mt. Royal Avenue: Ms. Schlottman announced that the Can Trailer will be moved to the Food Park at Mt. Royal Avenue and Bel Air Avenue. The Lions Club made approximately \$28,000 since September 2003 from this collection. He spoke about the services provided by the Lions Club.
2. Ms. Joyce Wood, Carol Avenue: Ms. Wood inquired about the Charter petition.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

1. Ordinance No. 17-O-12, Grading and Erosion and Sediment Control Code

Action was postponed to the next meeting.

BUSINESS OF THE CITY:

1. Unfinished Business: None.
2. New Business:
 - a. Board of Elections Appointments

The Mayor nominated Ms. Georgina Bantum to a term of four years from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2021. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

The Mayor appointed Ms. Georgina Bantum as Chair to the Aberdeen Board of Elections.

The Mayor nominated Ms. Angela Johnson to a term of four years from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2021. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None

The Mayor nominated Mr. Mark Schlottman to a term of four years from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2021. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor.
Nays: None.

Mayor McGrady administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Georgina Bantum (Chair); Ms. Angela Johnson; and Mr. Mark Schlottman.

b. Ethics Commission Appointments

The Mayor nominated Dr. Nancy Backus to a term of three years retroacted from July 1, 2016 to July 1, 2019. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

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

The Mayor nominated Mr. Donald Collier, Sr. to a term of three years retroacted from July 1, 2016 to July 1, 2019. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

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

The Oath of Office for Dr. Backus and Mr. Collier, Sr. would be administered at a later date.

3. Updates from City Manager and Staff

The City Manager reported on his meetings and that the federal government had awarded the contract to resurface APG Road. He updated the Council on the Rte. 22 project construction schedule and progress. Council discussion followed.

a. Aberdeen Façade Improvement Grant Application, 115 N. Parke Street

A motion was made by Councilman Goodin and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to approve the application for the Aberdeen Façade Improvement Grant Application, 115 N. Parke Street. **The nomination passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.**

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:

1. Business from the Council Members: Councilman Lindecamp announced Aberdeen High School sports events.
2. Business from the Mayor: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Meeting: Monday, July 10, 2017, 7 PM, Council Chambers

Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, July 12, 2017, 7 PM, Council Chambers

Council Work Session: Monday, July 24, 2017, 5:30 PM, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Council Meeting: Monday, July 24, 2017, 7 PM, Council Chambers

Independence Day: Tuesday, July 4, 2017, City Hall Closed

Aberdeen Farmers Market, July 6 and July 20, 2017, 4-7 PM, Festival Park

Third Fridays, July 21, 2017, 6 PM, Festival Park

CLOSED MEETING:

At approximately 7:43 p.m., a motion was made by Mayor McGrady and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to close the meeting 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. The topic was contract discussions. **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.

REOPEN AND ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor and Council reopened the meeting at 8:10 p.m. and being there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.