

**CITY OF ABERDEEN**  
**Council Meeting**  
**October 10, 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  
Opiribo Jack, Director of Finance  
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 Don Dove, Living Hope Presbyterian Church, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Melvin Taylor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman Goodin and seconded by Councilman Lindecamp to approve the minutes of the September 26, 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 Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Goodin to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2016 Council Work Session. **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.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Introduction of New Employees, Mr. Randy Robertson

Mr. Robertson announced the hiring of six employees: Taylor Whichard, City Engineer; Brenda Graham, Procurement Officer; William Brown, Environmental Worker; Candace Markiewicz, Police Communication Officer; Mary Ogle, Police Communication Officer; and Spencer Lane, Maintenance Trainee.

2. Proclamation for the Aberdeen Golden Age Club, Mr. Maxell Denson

Mayor McGrady presented a proclamation in recognition of the Aberdeen Golden Age Club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to member, Mr. Maxell Denson.

3. Reaching Individual Success Everywhere, "R.I.S.E.", Ms. Claudine Norton

Ms. Claudine Norton and other representatives from "R.I.S.E." discussed their after-school and summer service program for the local middle school students. Mayor McGrady presented a proclamation in appreciation of their services.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Charter Resolution No. 16-CR-01, Borrowing Authority – Notes

There were no public comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. Mr. Walter Winder, Aberdeen: Mr. Winder noted traffic safety concerns for Mt. Royal Avenue and W. Bel Air Avenue.
2. Mr. Henry Walters, Robin Hood Road: Mr. Walter talked about accessibility problems near the Senior Center.

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION:**

1. Charter Resolution No. 16-CR-01, Borrowing Authority – Notes

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to approve Charter Resolution No. 16-CR-01, Borrowing Authority – Notes. **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. Charter Resolution No. 16-CR-02, Resolving Electoral Tie Votes

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Taylor to introduce Charter Resolution No. 16-CR-02, Resolving Electoral Tie Votes. **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. Resolution No. 16-R-14, Greater Aberdeen-Havre de Grace Enterprise Zone – Frito Lay, Inc.

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Goodin to adopt Resolution No. 16-R-14, Greater Aberdeen-Havre de Grace Enterprise Zone – Frito Lay, Inc. **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. Resolution No. 16-R-15, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Main Street  
Affiliate Program

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to adopt  
Resolution No. 16-R-15, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Main Street  
Affiliate Program. **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.

**BUSINESS OF THE CITY:**

1. Unfinished Business

a. Council Rules of Procedure

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to  
approve the addition of the consent agenda language under “II. Council Agenda.” **The  
motion passed by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

C. Items which are matters of a routine, non-controversial nature may be placed on the  
agenda under Consent Agenda. The purpose of the consent agenda is to provide a  
method for the expeditious handling of items which, in the opinion of the Mayor or  
City Manager, will not require discussion and will be approved unanimously by the  
Council. Any member of the Council may request that an item be removed from the  
consent agenda for discussion, for further information, or in order that there might be  
a separate vote on that item.

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

Nays: None.

The Mayor proposed to strike “VI. Types of Legislation” from the Council Rules of  
Procedure and renumber the remaining list. A motion was made by Mayor McGrady and  
seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck. **The motion passed unanimously.**

**The Council Rules of Procedure were approved by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

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

Nays: None.

2. New Business – None

### 3. Updates from City Manager and Staff

The City Manager thanked the Garrison Commander, Col. Davis, and his staff for the donation of fifteen trash receptacles. He also mentioned donations toward the playground equipment at Victory Park amounting to approximately \$4,000. He and Mr. Torster would be meeting with the State Highway Administration on issues of the City.

#### a. Discussion of Recommended Way Forward, Personnel Policy Manual

A draft of the new Personnel Policy Manual was presented to the Council for their review and discussion at a meeting.

#### b. Bid No. 17-12a, Pool Cover and Installation

Mr. Torster said that five bids were received and the lower bids did not meet the specifications: size for the pool, time for installation, warranty offered, and parts to repair the investment.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Taylor to award Bid No. 17-12a, Pool Cover and Installation to Clearwater Pool & Spa in Bel Air, Maryland, the most qualified bidder, in the amount of \$21,680. **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.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

### **BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:**

1. Business from the City Council: The Council discussed possible revenue-generating options to benefit the maintenance of Leidos Field at Ripken Stadium and whether the City was allowed under State law. Other meetings and activities of the members were discussed.
2. Business from the Mayor: None.

### **CLOSED MEETING:**

The Mayor announced the closing of the meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Statutory Authority Md. Code Annotated, General Provisions Article § 3-305(b): (1) to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals; (8) to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation; and, (12) to conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct. The topic of the meeting was a personnel matter involving a City employee.

A motion was made by Mayor McGrady and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to move into Closed Meeting in the 2nd Floor Administrative Conference Room. **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.

The Council proceeded into closed meeting at approximately 8:22 p.m.

**REOPEN MEETING:** The Council returned and reopened the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The City Manager reported that they were still searching for a facilitator for the November 12 offsite.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.