

**City of Aberdeen Council Meeting
November 26, 2012**

Present: Mayor Bennett, Councilwoman Elliott, Councilwoman Landbeck, Councilwoman Young, and Councilman Garner

Absent: None

Also Present: Douglas Miller, City Manager
Phyllis Grover, Director of Planning and Community Development
Matthew Lapinsky, Director of Public Works
Henry Trabert, Chief of Police
Monica Correll, City Clerk

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The prayer was led by Pastor Lisa Watson-Hill, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Garner.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Young to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2012, Council meeting as submitted. **The motion was passed with a vote of 5 – yes.**

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Proclamation in Recognition of Officer First Class Charles Nelson Armetta
Mayor Bennett presented a proclamation in remembrance of Officer Charles Nelson Armetta, who died in September, 2012.
2. Proclamation in Recognition of Detective Mark Allen Franklin, CSI
The proclamation was not presented.
3. Proclamation in Recognition of Municipal Government Works Month
Mayor Bennett read this proclamation in recognition of the role of municipal government.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no comments.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

1. Ordinance No. 12-O-11, Miscellaneous Penalties and Violations (For Introduction)
2. Ordinance No. 12-O-12, Water Capital Revolving Loan Program (For Adoption)

Mayor Bennett explained that Ordinance No. 12-O-11 would be rescheduled to a future Council meeting. Ordinance No. 12-O-12 was being reviewed by the City Attorney and, therefore, deferred to the January 14, 2012 Council meeting.

BUSINESS OF THE CITY:

1. Business of the City – None
2. New Business – None
3. Business from the Director of Planning and Community Development
 - a. Preliminary Site Plan for the Colony at Beards Hill

Background information was provided to the Council from Ms. Grover. Mr. Joseph Snee, Esquire, Mr. Dudley Campbell of Bay State Land Service, Inc., Mr. Mitch Ensor of Bay State Land Services, Inc., Mr. Rick Chadsey, representative for the developer, and Ms. Rebecca Harris, Legal Assistant, were in attendance to present a PowerPoint of the apartment development and answer questions from the Council.

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to approve the Preliminary Site Plan the Colony at Beards Hill Road.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

- b. Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Chick-fil-A

Background information was provided to the Council from Ms. Grover. Mr. Joseph Ucciferro, Bohler Engineering Project Manager, Matthew Stellmaker, Chick-fil-A Development Manager, and Mr. Michael McFerren, the Chick-fil-A Constant Friendship Operator, were present to provide information and exhibits on the plan and answer questions from the Council.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Elliott and seconded by Councilman Garner approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Chick-fil-A.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

- c. Preliminary Site Plan for Chick-fil-A

Mr. Ucciferro and the other representatives continued their presentation and answered questions and concerns from the Council. The Council expressed concerns over traffic problems and potential accidents. Mr. Ucciferro said that they were working with City staff to address stormwater management and landscaping requirements. He said that the State Highway Administration (SHA)

had not approved the entrance and exits off of Beards Hill Road. They had submitted site plans and traffic studies to SHA and are scheduled to have a meeting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Elliott to approve the Preliminary Site Plan for Chick-fil-A contingent upon State Highway Administration approval.

The motion passed with a vote of 4 – yes, 1 – no.

Ayes: Mayor Bennett, Councilwoman Elliott, Councilwoman Landbeck, and Councilman Garner

Nays: Councilwoman Young

4. Business from the Chief of Police

Chief Trabert promoted the Aberdeen Police Department's food and toy drive and a holiday public relations event.

5. Business from the Director of Finance – Mr. Jack was not in attendance.

6. Business from the Director of Public Works

a. Bid Awards: Rigdon Road, James Avenue and Ripken Sewer

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to award the Rigdon Road and Rte. 22 sewer improvements bid to S. Thomas Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$75,754.23.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to award the James Avenue sewer bid to S. Thomas Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$84,109.93.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilwoman Elliott to award the Ripken Youth Baseball Academy 8" sewer main bid to S. Thomas Contracting, Inc. in the maximum amount of \$18,797.33.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

b. Declare Surplus: 2002 Leaf Loader

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilwoman Elliott to approve the surplus of the 2002 leaf loader.

The motion passed with a vote of 5 – yes.

7. Business from the City Manager – No report.

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:

1. Business from the City Council

The City Council thanked the Department of Public Works, the Aberdeen Police Department and the Auxiliary Police for their service. They recommended the Heritage Trust Historical Guide, the Aberdeen Heritage Trust Cookbook and encouraged everyone to attend the Christmas Street events.

2. Business from the Mayor

Mayor Bennett added that there was new Christmas lighting in Festival Park. He and members of the Maryland Municipal League leadership met on November 14th with the Governor and Lt. Governor to discuss legislative priorities including reinstating Highway User Revenue. The Mayor read a letter that he and the City Council would mail to Senator Mikulski, Senator Cardin, and Representative Ruppertsburger about a balanced solution to replace the Budget Control Act's required budget sequestration set to start on January 2, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Young to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.