

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND  
Mayor and Council Meeting  
September 10, 2018**

The Mayor and City Council met at 7:30 PM on Monday, September 10, 2018 in the City Council Chambers.

**Present:** Mayor McCarron, Councilmembers Fuller, Vigliotti, Wantz and Frazier. **Also Present:** Zoning Administrator / Acting City Manager Wieprecht, Attorney Gullo and Clerk Kalman. **Not Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Foster. Councilmember Vigliotti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Approval of the minutes** of the August 8, 2018 and August 13, 2018 regular meetings and the closed session report / minutes for August 13, 2018 – motion by Vigliotti to approve all, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wantz. Motion by Frazier to amend closed session to include that Lieutenant Etzler was present, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vigliotti. The vote to accept the amendment was 3 opposed and Frazier in favor. Motion to approve all minutes as presented by Vigliotti, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wantz – carried 3 – 1, with Frazier opposing.
- **Councilmember statements regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items:** None

**Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:**

**Introduction:**

**Ordinance 05 – 2018** – Open Burning – Councilmembers Wantz and Vigliotti requested further review with Acting City Manager Wieprecht, Police Chief Bill Tyler and the Fire Department before the final revisions are submitted for approval.

**Adoption of:**

**Resolution 2018 – 09** – Water Allocation for September 2018 - motion to approve by Frazier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wantz – carried 4 – 0.

**Resolution 2018 – 10** – Violation of Code of Conduct and Censure of Councilman Donald Frazier. Mayor McCarron read a letter sent to Scott Hancock of Maryland Municipal League requesting a reimbursement of the registration fees for Councilman Frazier and his spouse and also a letter in which Mr. Hancock expressed that it was against their policy to issue reimbursements, except under certain circumstances. – motion to adopt Resolution 2018 – 10 by Wantz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fuller. After discussion the vote was 3 – 1, with Frazier opposing. Motion to enact the Censure of Councilmember Donald Frazier by Wantz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fuller – carried 3 – 1 with Frazier opposing.

Mayor McCarron read a letter in which Mayor and Councilmembers condemned the recent distribution of hateful and racist letters.

**City Manager Report:**

**Department Reports:** See attached written reports

**Legal Report:**

1. Report on facial recognition technology
2. Recommendation to enter into a closed session after the close of the regular meeting to obtain legal advice.

### **Old Business:**

1. Maintenance Standards
2. Taxing Differential – Commercial / Residential

It was decided by consensus that these issues would be assigned to the Design Standards Board for review.

### **New Business:**

1. **Monthly Financial Report** – motion to approve by Fuller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vigliotti – carried 4 – 0.
2. **Accounts Payables** - motion to approve by Wantz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vigliotti – carried 4 – 0.
3. **Benefit Assessment Amortization Request** – Brewery Fire – motion to approve by Vigliotti, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fuller – carried 4 – 0.
4. **Meeting schedule for October** – motion by Vigliotti and a second from Wantz to move the Monday, October 8, 2018 Mayor and council meeting to Tuesday, October 9, 2018 due to the Columbus Day holiday – carried 4 – 0.

Motion by Councilmember Frazier to send a letter to Maryland Municipal League to request a refund of the registration fees associated with his absence at the Summer 2018 Maryland Municipal League Conference. – with no second, the motion died.

### **Councilmember Reports:**

Mayor McCarron recommended a monthly, retroactive stipend equal to 23% of the City Manager salary for Acting City Manager Wieprecht because of his added work load during the leave of absence of City Manager Heine – motion by Wantz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fuller – carried 4 – 0.

Mayor McCarron announced that he planned to recommend the following appointments at the October 2018 Mayor and Council Meeting:

**Planning and Zoning:** reappointment of Jim Parker and Jim LeFaivre and the appointment of Darryl Hale to fill the vacancy

**Board of Zoning Appeals:** reappointment of Lee Hand, Larry Heltebridle and Steve Farley

Motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:30 PM by Frazier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fuller – carried 4 – 0.

Mayor McCarron read a statement **indicating that Mayor and councilmembers would enter into a Closed Session at 8:40 PM pursuant to Section 3 – 305 (b) (7) (8) of the General Provisions Article of the Maryland Annotated Code, to obtain legal advice regarding matters with the Taneytown Police Department and to consult with staff, consultants or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.**

Motion to enter into a closed session at 8:40 PM by Wantz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vigliotti – carried 3 – 1, with Frazier opposing, as well as a member of the audience.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk