

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Meeting
November 13, 2023**

The Mayor and City Council Meeting was held at 7:30 PM on Monday, November 13, 2023.

Present: Mayor Miller, Mayor Pro Tem McCarron and Council members Fuller, Foster and Chaney

Present Virtually: Council member Tillman **Also Present:** City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman.
Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the October 4, 2023 combined meeting and November 8, 2023 Closed Session – motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2023 combined meeting by Chaney, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0. Council member Fuller requested a correction to the November 8, 2023 Closed Session minutes.

Introduction of Police Chief Adrian Baker – Taneytown Police Chief Adrian Baker introduced himself and responded to questions from Council members.

Council member statement regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items: none

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Introduction:

Ordinance 09 – 2023 – Backyard Chickens – motion to introduce by Chaney, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0.

Ordinance 10 – 2023 – Amendment to Officers and Employees Section of the City Code - Responding to Council member Fuller, Mayor Miller explained he terminated Attorney Gullo because he feels there needs to be a culture and climate shift in the City of Taneytown. After discussion the ordinance was introduced with a motion to introduce by Foster, 2nd by McCarron carried 5 – 0.

Adoption:

Resolution 2023 – 16 – Water allocation for November – motion to adopt by Foster, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 – 0

Resolution 2023 – 17 – Check Signature Authorization – motion to adopt by Foster, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 - 0

Resolution 2023 – 18 – Public Records Custodian – motion to adopt by Chaney, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 – 0.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht had no additions to his report from the Workshop

Department Reports:

- City Manager Wieprecht advised the concrete subcontractor will be pouring the curb and gutter on Roberts Mill Road and Broad Street beginning November 14, 2023 and the paving contractor will begin pouring blacktop later in the week.

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report – motion to approve by Foster, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 - 0
2. Accounts Payables – motion to approve by Chaney, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 - 0
3. Dewatering Project change order – motion to accept by Foster, 2nd by McCarron – carried 5 - 0
4. Engineering Services for Fiscal Year 2023 Sewer Rehabilitation Projects – motion to award to CDM Smith in the amount of \$147,227.00 by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 - 0
5. Comprehensive Plan Upgrade outsourcing – City Manager Wieprecht responded to questions from Council leading to a consensus to outsource and instruct staff to begin the request for proposal process.
6. Ratification of Purchase: Taneytown Police Department Body Worn Camera hardware – Mayor Miller and City Manager Wieprecht explained the purchase is primarily covered by a grant, in the amount of \$72,374.00 and the timeframe did not allow for staff to wait until the council meeting for approval. Motion to ratify the purchase in the amount of \$81,842.00 by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 – 0.
7. Nomination to Planning and Zoning Commission – motion to approve the nomination of Barry Garner to fill the alternate seat by Chaney, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 - 0
8. Approval of Special Event Permit Application – Woofstock – June 22, 2024 – Motion to approve by McCarron, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 - 0
9. Approval of Lease Agreement – T – Mobile – motion to approve by Chaney, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0

Council member Reports:

Adjournment – motion to adjourn at 8:53 PM by Foster, 2nd by Chaney - carried 5 - 0

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk