

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Workshop
July 5, 2023**

The Mayor and City Council Workshop was held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. **Present:** Mayor Miller and Council members Foster, Chaney and Tillman. **Present Virtually:** Council member Fuller and Attorney Gullo **Also Present:** City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. **Not Present:** Mayor Pro Tem McCarron was excused from the meeting. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

Review of Minutes: Review of the minutes of the June 7, 2023 and June 12, 2023 regular meetings and the open meeting preceding the June 12, 2023 closed session. Councilmember Tillman requested changes to the June 7, 2023 minutes.

Public Hearing – Community Village Revisions to amend various provisions of Section 205 - 35.1 – Mayor Miller opened the public hearing at 7:33 PM. Mayor and Council members received comments from the audience.

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

Public comment pertaining to non-agenda items:

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Introduction:

Adoption:

Ordinance 05 – 2023 – Community Village Revisions – section 205 – 35.1 – City Manager Wieprecht reviewed the updates which includes relief from alleyways for single-family dwellings, off-street parking, driveway requirements and home occupation businesses.

Resolution 2023 – 10 – Water Allocation for June - no questions, or concerns were expressed.

Resolution 2023 – 11 – Rules for Bollinger Park – City Manager Wieprecht advised the park is open different hours than other City parks and restricts camping and fishing.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht reviewed his monthly report which included an update on the Roberts Mill Road and Broad Street project.
- Wieprecht advised the dig and replace portion of the Fiscal Year 2022 sewer rehabilitation project is complete and the wastewater treatment plant numbers are showing positive results.
- Wieprecht provided an update on the repair of a cracked pipe at the wastewater treatment plant.

Department Reports:

- City Manager Wieprecht responded to questions from Council members.

Legal Report:

- Attorney Gullo stated a settlement has been reached with one of the companies involved in the polyfluoroalkyl substances lawsuit and advised the City will likely receive compensation.

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report – no questions or concerns were expressed.
2. Accounts Payables – no questions or concerns were expressed.
3. Chicken husbandry – the consensus was to allow chicken husbandry. Mayor Miller asked Council members to send their ideas and examples to City Manager Wieprecht, who will prepare a presentation for the August Workshop.
4. License Agreement for Bollinger Park encroachment – Responding to a question from Council member Tillman, City Manager Wieprecht stated the agreement includes language to request the removal of rubbish located on City property.
5. Discussion on term limits – the feasibility of passing legislation to limit terms for both Mayor and Council members was discussed.
6. Maryland Municipal League experience - Mayor Miller and Council members reported on their experiences at the Maryland Municipal League Summer Conference.

Council member Tillman provided a report of a meeting held with State Highway Administration. The topics discussed were signage, parking, crosswalks and the potential for rumble strips.

7. Police search updates – Mayor Miller reviewed the process he plans to use for hiring a new Police Chief.

Public comment pertaining to agenda items:

The public hearing was closed at 9:19 PM

Adjournment - motion to adjourn 9:20 PM by Foster, 2nd by Tillman – carried 4 - 0

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk