

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Meeting
February 12, 2024**

The Mayor and City Council meeting was held at 7:30 PM on Monday, February 12, 2024.

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

Not Present: Council member Foster was excused from the meeting. **Also Present:** City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the January 3, 2024 and January 8, 2024 regular meetings and the January 8, 2024 closed session – motion to approve all minutes by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 4 – 0.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Introduction:

Ordinance 04 – 2024 – Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024 – Budget Amendment – 3 – City Manager Wieprecht responded to questions from Council. Motion to introduce by Chaney, 2nd by Tillman – carried 4 – 0.

Adoption:

Resolution 2024 – 02 – Water allocation for February – Motion to adopt by McCarron, 2nd by Tillman – carried 4 – 0.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht advised the Economic Development monthly report has been updated.
- Responding to a question from the February 7, 2024 Workshop, City Manager Wieprecht advised a mowing cost was paid in January because the annual cost is spread throughout the year.
- Consensus of Council is to meet on February 28, 2024 for a Budget Workshop
- The Department of Public Works met with the paving sub-contractor for the Roberts Mill Road and Broad Street project. Several areas needing repair were identified.
- The Main Street Board has expressed interest in updating the City code to allow sub-committees to be able to meet to work on projects without the formality of an official recorded meeting. The item will be on the March 6, 2024 Mayor and Council agenda for discussion.

Department Reports:

- There were no questions, or concerns expressed.

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report – motion to approve by Tillman. Mayor Miller and Council member Tillman stated they have received requests from residents who would like the financial report made available to the public. Staff will create a summary of the report which can be available on the City website. Council member Chaney made a 2nd to the motion to approve - carried 4 – 0.
2. Accounts Payables – motion to approve by McCarron, 2nd by Chaney – carried 4 – 0.
3. Morton Building, Inc. – Memorial Park Proposal – motion to approve by Fuller, 2nd by Tillman – carried 4 – 0.
4. Funding discussion for proposed Public Works facility – consensus of Council is for staff to investigate borrowing options. After discussion, it was decided the Department of Public Works will make a presentation at the March 6, 2024 workshop.

Council member Reports

Mayor Miller read a Presiding Officer's Closing Statement

Closed Session: pursuant to § 3 – 305 (b) (7) of the General Provisions Article of the Maryland Annotated Code, to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice and § 3 – 305 (1) (i) (ii) to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

Mayor and Council adjourned to closed session at 8:08 pm with a motion from council member Tillman and a second from Mayor Pro Tem McCarron. The motion carried 4 – 0.

Mayor and Council returned to open session at 10:41 pm

Mayor Miller read the closed session minutes

New Business actions from closed session

- **Resolution 2024 – 03** – Resolution concerning the City Attorney – Council member Tillman read the resolution in its entirety. Motion to approve by Fuller, 2nd by McCarron – carried 4 – 0.

Mayor Miller stated he is not in favor of the Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem McCarron will sign the resolution instead.

There were statements from both Mayor Miller and Council member Tillman.

Adjournment – motion to adjourn the second part of the open meeting at 10:51 pm by Fuller, 2nd by McCarron – carried 4 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk