

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Workshop
June 5, 2024**

The Mayor and City Council Workshop was held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, June 5, 2024.

Present: Mayor Miller, Mayor Pro Tem McCarron and Council members Fuller, Foster, Chaney and Tillman. **Also Present:** City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Miller read the minutes from the closed session held on May 13, 2024

Review of Minutes: Review of the minutes of the May 8, 2024 and May 13, 2024 regular meeting and the May 13, 2024 closed session – No changes were requested.

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

Public comment pertaining to non-agenda items:

Mayor Pro Tem McCarron announced Council member Foster has been selected as the recipient of the Maryland Municipal League Lifetime Achievement Award.

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Approval:

Catholic Charities Lease – No changes were requested

Introduction:

Ordinance 05 – 2024 – Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024 – Budget Amendment – 4 – No questions, or concerns were expressed.

Adoption:

Ordinance 01 – 2024 – Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025 - Operating Budget – No questions, or concerns were expressed.

Resolution 2024 – 09 – Water allocation for June – No questions, or concerns were expressed.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht reviewed his monthly report which included an update on the Capital Improvement Program, an update of the issues with the Roberts Mill Road and Broad Street reconstruction project and an update on the Riffles Lane and York Street Drain project. Wieprecht responded to questions from Council and clarified some of the pavement failures are located on Fairground Avenue.

Department Reports: No questions or concerns were expressed.

Legal Report: There were no questions, or comments about the written report provided by Attorney Gullo.

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report – No questions, or concerns were expressed.
2. Accounts Payables – No questions, or concerns were expressed.
3. Street Sweeping discussion – Council members expressed their desire to have the Department of Public Works provide street sweeping services.
4. Bulk Trash discussion – City Manager Wieprecht provided the results of his research. It was determined a second bulk trash day is not feasible. Wieprecht advised residents may call the contractor directly for pick-up of bulk items, but they do charge a fee for the service.
5. Taneytown Record discussion – Council members agreed the goals of the City and Mainstreet must be refined to determine the best way to achieve a regularly distributed source of information. Consensus of Council is to consistently distribute information in a temporary format until a permanent solution is agreed upon.
6. Veteran Memorial discussion – Council member Fuller advised Parks and Recreation Director Vaccare suggested a wall at Memorial Park which would have name plates residents could purchase to recognize individuals for their service. City Manager Wieprecht explained other park projects have been costly and because there has not been very much growth to provide impact fees there is little room in the budget for such an undertaking. Council members instructed staff to reach out to other organizations to encourage a partnership for creating a memorial.
7. Approval of Special Event Permit – Taneytown Pride Event – June 30, 2024 – No questions, or concerns were expressed.

Mayor Miller suggested an additional \$5,000.00 donation to the Taneytown Volunteer Fire Company. Unanimous consensus of Council is for staff to incorporate the additional amount into Budget Amendment number 4 and the donation amount should be determined annually.

Public comment pertaining to agenda items

Mayor Miller read a Presiding Officer's Closing Statement

Motion to adjourn to a closed session pursuant to § 3 – 305 (b) (1) (i) (ii) of the General Provisions Article of the Maryland Annotated Code 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 by Foster, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0

Mayor and council did not return to open session following the closed meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk