



TOWN MEETING

April 13, 2023

8:00 PM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:09 pm

In attendance: Mayor Munyeneh, Vice Mayor Fry, Council Members Nettles, Watson, McCann, Dalaker, Garces

Town Attorney: Jason Deloach

Staff: Assistant to the Town Administrator -Priscilla Matthews, Public Works Director Steve Brayman, Chief Carl Miller, Town Clerk Giselle Richards,

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Motion to remove presentation by Lindsey & Associates and approve agenda made by cm Dalaker. 2nd by cm Watson. Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve agenda with the removal of the audit presentation made by CM Watson . 2nd by CM Dalaker Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve consent agenda made by cm Watson. 2nd by Dalaker. Approved unanimously.

Resident Input-

- Julia Mosley – Requests that council members be present in person for work sessions and council meetings.
- Laila Riazzi- Ward 1 –
 - Would like to remind the council that after each agenda item the mayor asks for resident input.
 - Asked what the level of operations for the Cabin Branch Distribution Centers is regarding the additional traffic.
 - Challenges the amount of funds that Ordinance 2023-02 has for council salaries.
- Fred Price- Ward 4
 - Thanks to the Green Infrastructure and anyone who worked at Boyd Park to make it safer.
 - Asked Pacific Reality if bike lanes are considered and will there be trees added.



- Asked Prologis representative to submit the requested information at the previous Ward 4 Civic Association meeting to the Mayor & Council

Sheila Salo-

- Asked Prologis representative what the status of the wooded area near the property.
- Asked who is the owner of the Cabin Branch Distribution centers. Pacific Reality are the owners.

Julia Mosely – Objects to the way Ordinance 2023-02 was brought up for a vote.

Committee Reports

Recreation Council – Carrie Weletz – Easter event was successful, cohosting Spring event with CPRC

Green Infrastructure Committee – Sheila Salo –

- April 22 is earth day and there will be a clean-up along RT 50 along with Anacostia Watershed Society
- Follow Washington Post columnist regarding native plants.
- Garden club plant sale 5/13/23
- Red maple Run – Prince Georges County Dept of environment working with Green Infrastructure Committee
- Cheverly Day Committee –
- Planning Board –

Cheverly Day Committee - Nick D'Angelo –

- Cheverly Day is 9/30/23.
- Seeking person or group to run the midway
- Meetings are held last Wednesdays of the month hybrid.
- Request that the council increase line item in budget

Planning Board – Aimee Olivo

- Still seeking additional members to the planning board
- Request that the council consider the planning board as a resource. Possibly prescreening developers.
- Submitted recommendation regarding 5801 Arbor St to allow one of the current tenants (Sodibar) to remain at the property.



Board of Elections – Robin Kay-

- No Report

CM's McCann, Dalaker, Watson, are in support of the Planning Board's recommendation to allow the one tenant to stay at 5801 Arbor St with the recommended covenant in place.

Mayor Munyeneh and CM Nettles-Simpson do not support unless there is a time limit.

CM Fry is not in support of changing the current zoning.

Motion to not adopt the recommendation from the Planning Board made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Dalaker.

Motion to amend pre motion to send letter back to the planning board for update. Made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.

Boyd Park restroom - Ms. Bertha Ballew from Prologis

- Provided an update regarding the development at 5801 Columbia Park Rd
- Still waiting on 3 permits from DPIE to be approved but do have the U&O
- Currently unable to complete the restroom repairs at Boyd Park but are willing to reimburse the town for any work.
- Mayor Munyeneh suggested that Prologis should be able to keep their commitment because the issues that Prologis is citing should not be held over the Ward 4 residents who did not benefit from the litigation issues.

Whole Foods Expansion Presentation— Mr. Tom Haller presented an update to the Mayor & Council.

- Proposing to subdivide the property by building a bridge over Cabin Branch Rd for better access.
- The seafood processing facility will be the only one closing.
- Seeking to develop a 70,000 sq ft building on 9 acres across from the current location.
- Working with Council Member Ivey's office and the town to address the issue of the trucks idling/parking on Cabin Branch by allowing Whole Foods to have a space in the new space to allow for the trucks to use instead of on the street.



- Mayor Munyeneh recommends that Mr. Holler meet with the Green Infrastructure and the Planning Boards

***3rd Reader of Ordinance 2023-02 – Council Compensation** – Mayor Munyeneh read the ordinance.

Amended motion to allow public input on the adoption of Ordinance 2023-02 and to adopt Ordinance 2023-02 made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Dalaker. 4-2

CM Dalaker expressed his reason for supporting this ordinance.

CM McCann expressed his opposition to this ordinance.

CM Nettles-Simpson expressed her reason for supporting this ordinance. Encouraged council members that are in opposition to publicly reject the pay increase if elected.

CM Watson expressed his opposition to this ordinance.

CM Fry expressed her reason for supporting this ordinance and that this topic has been brought up not only by this current council but by previous council.

CMs Nettles-Simpson, Dalaker, Garces, Fry voted Yes.

CMs Watson, McCann voted No.

Motion to extend this meeting for 30 minutes made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Fry Approved Unanimously

4601 Lydell Rd Development Letter of opposition –

CM Nettles-Simpson requested from the Mayor & Council to create letter of opposition with the feedback from the Planning Board and the Green Infrastructure to be attached to the letter regarding 4601 Lydell Rd made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Fry. Approved Unanimously.

First reading of Speed Camera Ordinance Update–



- Mayor Munyeneh read the updated Speed Camera Ordinance 2023-01

Adoption of 2023 ARPA Budget –

- Town administrator Galloway presented the 2023 ARPA Budget
- Seeking adoption of the budget from the Mayor & Council

Motion to adopt 2023 ARPA Budget made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM Fry. Approved Unanimously.

Town Administrator requests approval of following purchase from the 2023 ARPA Budget

- F250s & F350s
- Boyd Park Restroom repairs
- Honda CRV
- Website Upgrade

Motion to authorize the town administrator to proceed with the contracts and purchases made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM McCann. Approved Unanimously

Town Administrator Report –

- Brush fire today on Cheverly Ave due to dry conditions. Asks residents to be vigilant.
- DC Circulator project is on pause because Mayor of DC did not include in her budget and the project is going through a reorganization.
- On 4/17/23 there will be a community meeting with Council members Garces and Fry, Cheverly PD, PG PD, Council Member Ivey's office and the residents of the apartments. Everyone is invited.
- The town of Cheverly has received \$1million---- from the Maryland General assembly and thanks Senator Augustine, Delegate Ivey, Delegate Fennell.

Police Report – Chief Miller

- Cheverly PD responded within 2 minutes to the shooting incident at the Cheverly Station apartments and played an integral part in assisting PG PD the arrest of the suspect.



Motion to extend the meeting to 30 minutes made by CM Nettles-Simpson. 2nd by CM McCann. Approved unanimously.

Public Works Report – Director Brayman

- William Eley, Jr. Public Works Building update
- Spring Striping and Boyd Park
- Crestlawn Storm Drain project status

Review of April work session agenda and future requests

- Clarification on Rules and procedures & decorum (Future Work Session)
- Vacant Lot/Property Fees Ordinance
- Review of banking institutions of the town

Mayor and Council Announcements –

- CM Nettles-Simpson – Thanks Cheverly residents, Council, staff and, Town Attorney, and residents for their support during her time as a council member.
- CM Fry – Bringing awareness to work being done on Joslyn and 63rd Place. Thanks staff. Thank you to CM Nettles and McCann for their work as council members.
- Mayor Munyeneh thanks residents and staff for their support in vocalizing opposition to the DC Circulator. Thanks Senator Augustine, Delegate Ivey, and Delegate Fennell for their support in the bonds that the town is receiving.
- CM McCann – St Ambrose Casino night is 5/29/23.

Adjourn motion to adjourn at 11:48 pm by CM McCann. 2nd CM Nettles-Simpson. Approved unanimously.