

Town of Cheverly  
**Town Meeting Minutes**  
July 9, 2020

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm via Zoom.

In attendance: Mayor Riazi, Council Members Radloff, Watson, Bryner, Garcia, and Fry.  
Staff: Director of Public Works - Mr. Brayman, Chief of Police - Jarod J. Towers, Code Compliance - John O'Berry, and Town Clerk - TC Hegeman.

Pledge of Allegiance

*Mayor* change Agenda item 13 to a discussion about the Juneteenth and Indigenous People's Day Ordinance. We will not be passing any Ordinance's tonight.

**Motion to Approve Agenda:** CM Watson, seconded by CM Bryner. Approved unanimously.

**Motion to Approve Minutes June 11, 2020 and June 25, 2020 and the Helicopter Meeting on June 15, 2020:** CM Bryner, seconded by CM Fry. Approved unanimously.

**Resident Input**

Residents spoke about the first Community Town Hall that occurred on July 15. Residents spoke in support of the Use of Force consultant but were not in favor of the consulting firm Conducere.

**Washington Gateway Project** – Prologis is the developer and Amazon is the expected tenant. Mayor discussed the process thus far and the concerns brought forth by residents and community groups.

*Margaret MacDonnell* of the Planning Board spoke on behalf of the Planning Board and the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee. They are not opposed to the project but there are things that can be improved upon. They are opposed to the Collector Road.

*Ben O'Neil of Prologis* spoke about commitments he can confirm today and is looking forward to working with the Old Fourth Ward.

**Motion to Support the Application for Preliminary Plan for Sub-Division for the Washington Gateway Project, Developer Prologis with Conditions Outlined in the Letter and the List and Direct the Mayor and Town Administrator to Prepare a Letter in that Regard:** CM Munyeneh, seconded by CM Radloff.

*CM Watson* has questions regarding the Motion. *CM Munyeneh* did not want the Motion to include the list, as they have not agreed to all of the items.

**Motion Withdrawn:** CM Munyeneh. *CM Munyeneh* there needs to be more discussion.

**Motion to Offer a Letter of Support to Prologis for their Sub-Division for the things that they have Agreed to in the Cheverly Request List and that the Request List be Submitted as Additional Documentation for the Sub-Division Project:** CM Munyeneh, seconded by CM Radloff. Approved by CM Bryner, CM Garcia and CM Fry. Opposed by CM Watson.

*CM Watson* believes the project is a negative for the Town.

### **Committee Reports**

**Green Infrastructure** *Karen Moe* discussed the process and progress of the Air Quality Program in Cheverly.

**Town Administrator Report** – given by the Mayor in the absence of Administrator Galloway. Mayor read the COVID-19 report. Playgrounds will be open at 5:00 pm on July 15 and must follow social distancing guidelines. Bulk Trash will be picked up on July 30, the last Thursday of the month. Amazon Alexa and Google Home will be live next week to answer questions pertaining to Cheverly.

*John O’Berry* of Code Compliance discusses portable pools and the safety concern based on the size pool requires a fence around it according to the Code.

Two of the three members of the Board of Elections have resigned. The Mayor selects members to serve and the Council votes on appointment.

Special Meeting on Mayor and Council Rules and Procedures on July 30 at 7:30 pm.

Andrew Gingles, attorney for potential buyer of the Craftsman Building contacted Mr. Galloway. His client is interested in a “big truck in, little truck out” facility. This is not the level of development that Cheverly desires.

Closed Session to discuss personnel issues two hours before July 23 Worksession.

**Budget Amendment** *Chief Towers* reads statement regarding his request for two consultants. The request is to reallocate existing funds for the Police Department.

Town Clerk reads Administrator Galloway’s letter of support for Chief Towers budget amendment.

**Motion to Support Budget Amendment for Services of Ms. Martin and Organizational Development:** CM Fry, seconded by CM Radloff.

CM Fry Amends Motion to have Two Distinct Votes. Seconded by CM Radloff.

**Motion to Support Conducere:** CM Fry, seconded by CM Radloff. Approved by CM Watson, CM Bryner, and CM Munyeneh. Opposed by CM Garcia.

**Motion to Support Ms. Martin:** CM Garcia, seconded by CM Bryner. Unanimously approved.

**Police Report** – Chief Towers gives his monthly report detailing crime increases/decreases to Mayor and Council.

**Public Works Report** – Director Brayman gives his monthly report detailing underground storage tanks, bulk trash and the new Public Works building.

**Ordinances** Mayor and Council discuss Indigenous People’s Day and making Juneteenth a Town Holiday.

**Review of July Worksession Agenda**

Board of Elections presentation

Cheverly Village Grant Application

Non-Citizen Voting Timeline

Report of Craftsman Building and trail

**Mayor and Council Announcements**

CM Watson next Ward 2 Coffee Zoom will be on Saturday at 10:00 am

CM Radloff had a good session with the Government Accountability Office regarding helicopter noise meeting and heard back from the US Air Force regarding their helicopters as well.

Mayor we’ve received funding for the expansion Cheverly National Register of Historic District Nominations.

**Motion to Adjourn:** CM Garcia, seconded by CM Bryner. Approved unanimously.

12:22 am