

TOWN MEETING May 11, 2023 8:00 PM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:02pm

In attendance: Mayor Munyeneh, Vice Mayor Fry, Council Members Wade, Watson, Bryner,

Dalaker, Garces, Fry

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 amend the agenda to include acknowledgement of Senator Augustine, Delegate Ivey, addition of Child Care Providers Day Proclamation, adding grants for Women's Club and Cheverly Market to the consent agenda made by CM Fry. 2nd by CM ??? Approved unanimously.

Senator Augustine and Delegate Ivey presented citations to the new council members. District 47A presented a check to the town in the amount of \$1,4000,000 for the construction of the new public works building.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes (Town Meeting – 04/13/23 Work Session 04/27/23)

Motion to approve the minutes by CM Watson, 2nd CM Wade. Approved unanimously.

Move to approve grant requests from Women's Club & Cheverly Market made by CM Watson. 2nd by CM Dalaker Approved unanimously.



Resident Input-

- Laila Riazi Ward 1 Asks council to consider not raising the taxes for the CYTR.
- Diane Swartz Ward 2 Residents on the exchange had a lot of discussion regarding the raising of the taxes. Not in favor of proposed constant yield change.

Committee Reports

Recreation Council - N/A

Green Infrastructure Committee - Sheila Salo -

- There will be a discussion on Red Maple Run (Tributary 4) on Monday June 5 @ 7:30pm
- Check out the Facebook page of the Friends of Red Maple Run
- PG Dept of Environment is planning a project for Red Maple Run

Planning Board – Joyce Tsepas & Aimee Olivo

- Presented proposal for 5801 Arbor St to expand the land table use to allow for food & beverage wholesale distribution to allow the current tenant Sodibar to stay on the property.
- Updated recommendation from the Planning Board and an updated covenant which will be filed with the property deed.
- Town administrator recommends that the mayor & council accept the Planning Boards recommendation for 5801 Arbor St.

Motion to adopt the recommendation from the Planning Board made by CM Bryner. 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.

Cheverly Day Committee – Micah Watson –

- Cheverly Day is 9/30/23
- No parade this year

AANHPI Resolution R-5-23 – Councilmember Fry read resolution in honor of Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Proclamations -

• Child Care Provider's Appreciation Day – Proclamation read by CM Fry



 Administrative Professionals Day Proclamation - Proclamation read by Mayor Munyeneh

Vice Mayor Selection -

Motion to nominate CM Fry for Vice Mayor made by CM Bryner. 2nd by CM Garces. Approved unanimously.

Motion to adopt FY24 Budget Ordinance 2023-03 made by CM Dalaker. 2nd by CM Dalaker. - Motion to table until resident input completed.

Move to allow up to 15 minutes of resident input for the budget made by CM Dalaker.

CM Wade expressed concern in voting on a budget that he as a new council member has not had input in. Recommends that future budgets be voted on by council members that worked on them.

Johnny Merino- Ward 4 – Opposed to the proposed budget.

Laila Riazi – Ward 1 – Asks meeting chair to ask if there is resident input after for each topic. Opposed to tax increase in proposed budget.

Alice Kriesle- Ward 2 – Opposed to tax increase in proposed budget.

Diane Swartz – Ward 2 – Opposed to tax increase in proposed budget.

Motion to adopt the proposed budget made by CM Dalaker. 2nd by CM Watson. CM Wade – Yes but is concerned with the procedure process. CM Watson, Bryner, Dalaker, Garces, Fry voted <u>yes.</u>

CM Watson proposed to adopt the FY25 budget before the next election. Would like to have a meeting with the town administrator to review CIP projects to map them out for 5 years.

CM Fry suggests looking at the possibility of holding elections in November.



Speed Camera Ordinance Update 3rd reading – Mayor Munyeneh read the ordinance.

Motion to adopt the Speed Camera Ordinance 2023-01 made by CM Fry. 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.

Town Administrator Report –

- Boyd Park restroom restorations have begun.
- 4 new Police Interceptors have been purchased and delivered.
- 1 public works vehicle has been purchased and delivered.
- Community conversation was held on 5/9/23 at the Jason, Joslyn and 63rd Place intersection.
- Cheverly Complaints Board have been moving forward and will hold a meeting on 5/17/23 and will be introduced to the Mayor & Council
- A quote will be sent to the Mayor & Council at the May work session from Diversified for 2nd round of AV upgrades in June.
- The WSSC Easement discussion will be removed from the agenda until the town attorney further reviews the contract.

Police Report – Chief Miller provided monthly report.

For **April 2023**, there were 20 reported crimes:

a. 8 Thefts (4 Theft from Auto 4 Thefts), 4 Assaults 1 B&E 1 Stolen Vehicle

There was a total of 6 arrests.

- a. **3** adult arrests: **3** Juveniles
 - i. 1 Assault 3 Theft (Shoplifting) 1 Handgun Violation 1 Threats Complaints

The department responded to 331 calls for service, 32 premise checks, 2 elder watch checks, and wrote 28 case reports and 11 accident/collision reports.

The department made (73) traffic stops, (50) citations, (52) warnings, (1) Esero



Public Works Report – Director Brayman provided an update on the Department of Public Works.

- Sink hole on 3200 block of Parkway. The county has bene notified and repair work is being done.
- Asked the county to place a video camera to record the pipes for evaluation.
- Tables have been added to the Robert Tucker Pavilion. Sign is on the way.
- Planning a stakeholder meeting for the Robert Ely Public Works building

Review of May work session agenda and future requests -

- Traffic town wide and specifically on Columbia Park Rd
- Vacant Property fee
- Updating 2011 Green Infrastructure plan
- ADA compliance officer
- Speed humps /cameras off road
- Pride Month Proclamation
- No work session in June due to MML Conference

Mayor and Council Announcements –

CM Wade – Thanks to everyone for the opportunity to serve as Councilmember for Ward 1, Juneteenth Event 6/17/23, Community Day July 1 at Town Park

CM Watson – Plant Sale 5/13/23

CM Bryner – ASL Interpreter Carl's last meeting tonight. Thank you for all your work. Thank you to Ward 3 residents for voting. Thank CM McCann for your work. Thanks to my son for helping during campaigning. Blood Drive on May 17 at town hall. Sign up for my newsletter. Thank you, town staff, for the good onboarding process.

CM Dalaker - Come out and support the Native Plant Sale 5/13/23.

CM Garces – Thanks to town staff for all the amazing work you do. Thanks to CM Fry, Wade & Bryner for coming out to the public safety meeting at the apartments.

CM Fry – Thank you to Staff & CM Garces and Mr. Price in regard to efforts at Cheverly Station Apt

- Community conversation for Red Maple Run was held 5/7/23 and more residents need to be made aware of what's going on there.
- Please don't speed and follow rules because officers have been directed to enforce laws.
- Thanks to staff support during sink holes.



Mayor – Thanks to all teachers. It's Teacher appreciation Week!

- Happy Mother's Day to all moms.
- Thanks to staff for working on getting town more money.

Motion to adjourn at 10:12 PM pm by CM Bryner. 2nd CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.