



Town of Garrett Park
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Regular Meeting of Town Council
Garrett Park Town Hall
10814 Kenilworth Avenue
Garrett Park, Maryland 20896

Town Council Meeting: 11 July 2016

Approved Minutes

Call to Order: Mayor Benjamin called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM. Present were Council Members Chantry, McClintock, Wegner and Welch. Several residents attended.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

Presentation by Residents: There were no presentations by residents.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the June 13, 2016 Council meeting were approved as presented without objection.

Action: Stop signs on Oxford Street. Councilmember Wegner presented the revised stop sign location map for discussion by the Council. The Councilmembers and several residents discussed the many aspects of the signage situation including use of speed bumps and yield signs, adding a stop sign at the intersection of Weymouth and Oxford Streets and the need to clear vegetation at intersections. Separate concerns about what to do at the intersection of Kenilworth and Oxford leading into the Garret Park Elementary School were raised with Dick Pratt noting that he was working on a proposal for that intersection. After the discussion the Council agreed to divide the problem and take two actions. The first action is to place two new stop signs at the intersection of Weymouth and Oxford Streets and to place two new stop signs at the intersection of Oxford and Keswick Streets. Councilmember Wegner moved approval of this action and Councilmember McClintock seconded. The motion was approved with Councilmembers Wegner, McClintock and Welch voting in favor and Councilmember Chantry voting against. After the vote, Councilmember McClintock added the recommendation that the Town publicize these new stop signs and place flags on the signs so that drivers will notice the new signs.

Based on the concern that the remainder of the intersections along Oxford needed additional study, the Council requested that the Town engineering firm inspect the remainder of the intersections along Oxford, recommend stop sign locations and review the proposal made by Dick Pratt.

Consideration of Ordinance 2016-4, Comcast Agreement, Comcast MOU and Verizon MOU. Town Manager Swearingen provided answers to questions raised by the Council at the June 13 Council meeting and recommended that the Council approve the Franchise

Agreement with Comcast of Potomac, LLC. The Council agreed to the ordinance as presented and further directed that the Town create a reserve account for the PEG Grant receipts to be used for the purposes allowed by the PEG Grant. The Council further suggested that the Town negotiate with Verizon to include drops at Penn Place and Town Hall. Ordinance 2016-4 was moved for approval by Councilmember Welch and seconded by Councilmember McClintock. The ordinance was approved unanimously.

Town Manager's Report: The Town Manager noted that the end of year financials were still being reviewed and would be provided at a later date. He also noted that the Town would finish the year with higher than expected revenue collections and expenditures lower than had been budgeted.

Adjournment: Mayor Benjamin adjourned the meeting at 8:49 PM.



Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gene Swearingen", written in a cursive style.

Gene Swearingen, Clerk-Treasurer