

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Workshop
January 8, 2014**

The Mayor and City Council met Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
Present: Mayor McCarron, Mayor Pro Tem Ebaugh, Councilmembers Foster, Hess, Vigliotti and Zambetti.
Also present: City Manager Heine, City Attorney Gullo, City Treasurer Fout, Zoning Administrator Wieprecht and City Clerk Minnick. Councilmember Hess led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Review of the minutes of the December 4, 2013 and December 9, 2013 regular minutes – no changes

Reception of Delegates: Michelle Mills and Theresa Augustine of Draper & McGinley, P. A. presented the findings of the Fiscal Year 2013 Audit

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Council Ordinances and Resolutions:

Adoption:

Appointment to Parks and Recreation – Rosalyn P. Altman – no comments

Annexation Resolution 2013-18 – Stumptown Road – Attorney Gullo provided the status of the progress of the sidewalk easement.

Approval of MTBE lawsuit settlement – Attorney Gullo announced receipt of a final settlement of approximately \$2,000.

Ratification of Amendment to Contract sale – Garrett – Attorney Gullo updated Mayor and Council on the progress of the sale and announced the projected time of completion is by the end of the January.

Resolution 2014-21 – Water Allocation January 2014 – no questions, or comments.

City Manager Report and Department Reports:

- City Manager Heine reviewed the highlights of his report. There was discussion regarding Well 17 and the progress of the updates to the employee manual.
- Mayor and Council agreed to schedule a budget meeting for Wednesday, March 26 at 6:30 P.M.

Legal Report:

- **Former commercial property on W. Baltimore Street:** Attorney Gullo suggested the possibility of an abatement agreement, which would be ratified at the January 13 Mayor and Council meeting.
- **New Asia Restaurant:** Attorney Gullo provided possible options to force the property owner to bring the property into compliance with both building and City code.
- **Chamber of Commerce/History Museum:** Attorney Gullo indicated there are issues with signage and suggested possible solutions.

- **Councilmember expenditures:** Attorney Gullo stated that a procedure needs to be implemented for the review and approval of all councilmember expenditures.

Unfinished Business

- Discussion continued regarding options for compensating employees for **cleaning services**
- There was much discussion about benefits of certification in the **FEMA Flood Plan**.

New Business:

1. **Monthly Financial Report** – no comments
2. **Accounts Payables** – no comments
3. **CDM Smith – Schedule of Hourly Rates and Charges for 2014** – there was brief discussion regarding the changes CDM has recently undergone.
4. **Short Term Disability Policy** – Councilmember Zambetti reminded Mayor and Council of the current policy and indicated he is working on a revision.

Council Member/Committee Reports:

Council comments held until regular council meeting

Mayor and Council heard comments and questions from the audience

Adjournment:

With no other business, motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 by Foster, second by Hess – carried 5 - 0

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Minnick, City Clerk