



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, April 4, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Esteve, Glass, Marcos, Polangin and Truth; City Manager Deutsch, Assistant City Manager Fitzwater, City Attorney Glover, City Clerk Hernandez, Staff, the Press, and the Public.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Persis Suddeth, 12620 Brunswick Lane – Commented on the City's infrastructure and how it needs to be updated and maintained.

PRESENTATION:

- A. Bowies Brightest Educators Award – Ms. Regina Spruill, Chair of the Bowie Education Committee presented awards to Ms. Christine Bennett, guidance counselor from Rockledge Elementary and Ms. Karen Zantgraf, teacher from Chapel Forge Early Childhood Center.
- B. Ms. Pamela Williams, the City's Historic Properties Manager commented on the upcoming events that will take place thru out the City in the coming months to celebrate Bowie's Centennial.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

A. Appointments/Reappointments/Swearing-In:

1. Councilmember Marcos moved the appointment of Carl Robinson as a member of the Administrative Review Board for a 2-year term. Councilmember Esteve seconded the motion and it carried 6-0.
2. Councilmember Marcos moved the appointment of Tori Johnson as a member of the Administrative Review Board for a 2-year term. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 6-0.

MAYOR G. Frederick Robinson **MAYOR PRO TEM** Henri Gardner

COUNCIL Michael P. Estéve ♦ Courtney D. Glass ♦ James L. Marcos ♦ Diane M. Polangin ♦ Isaac C. Truth **CITY MANAGER** David J. Deutsch
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3. Councilmember Marcos moved the appointment of Michael Rogers as an alternate member of the Administrative Review Board for a 2-year term. Councilmember Glass seconded the motion and it carried 6-0.
4. Mayor Robinson swore-in the members to their respective committees.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Robinson mentioned that Council has invited Coach Mike Lonergan from George Washington University to attend the next Council meeting to congratulate him and his team on winning the 2016 National Invitational Tournament.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Deutsch reported that early voting for the upcoming Primary Elections will take place from April 14-21, the Bowie Gymnasium is a polling location, and polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Esteve moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of March 21 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Proclamation P-2-16 Declaring the Year Beginning April 16, 2016 as a Year of Centennial Celebration in the City of Bowie; C) Approval of Proclamation P-6-16 Proclaiming April 9, 2016 as Bowie Green Expo Day; D) Approval of Resolution R-11-16 Naming the Recreation Area Behind City Hall as Centennial Park; E) Approval of Amendment and Release of Covenants – Whip Clean Car Wash. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Ordinance O-3-16 Authorizing the Purchase of an Access Easement From the Knights of St. John at Their Property Located at 12th Street and Railroad Avenue in the Huntington Section (Old Town Bowie), at a Price of \$8,250.00 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Letter Agreement Memorializing the Parties' Agreement and to Take Whatever Actions are Necessary to Accomplish the Acquisition of the Easement for the Aforestated Consideration. City Manager Deutsch summarized the report, the purchase of this property will allow for Phase I of the Bowie Heritage Trail to be accomplished. The minor re-alignment onto the Knights of St. John property would be advantageous, in that it would avoid a stream crossing at the end of 12th Street and eliminate a sharp curve in the trail route.

Public Hearing:

Since there were no speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Esteve made a motion to approve Ordinance O-3-16. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Goodwill Store Returning to Bowie – Ms. Catherine Meloy, President and CEO of Goodwill Greater Washington briefed Council on the new location opening at 3871 Evergreen Parkway in the Shoppes at Bowie Town Center. The grand opening will be on Saturday, April 23rd. The opening of the store has created 50 jobs.

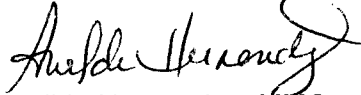
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Following comments from Councilmembers Mayor Robinson thanked Ms. Meloy for the presentation.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Truth moved to adjourn the City Council meeting. Councilmember Polangin seconded the motion and it carried 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Awilda Hernandez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "A".

Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk