



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, March 19, 2018 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, Gardner, Glass (Arrived 8:04 p.m.), Marcos, and Trough; City Manager Lott, Assistant City Manager Mears, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, City staff, the Press, and the Public.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Aaron Markavitch, Anacostia Trails Heritage Area – Briefed Council on funding the City received for renovation of the exhibits at the stables.
2. Elveeda Dixon, Diversity Committee Chair – Spoke about Women's History month.
3. M.L. Smith, Tilbury Lane – Complimented the City on the smooth process of the recent election.
4. Fiona Moodie, Ithan Lane – Thanked Bowie residents for their support on the Bowie Recall for District 2.
5. Jessie Blunt, Excalibur Road – Spoke about theft concerns occurring at Pin Oak.
6. Andrew Roud, St. John's Properties – Requested that the item on tonight's agenda in reference to the Retail Village East at the Melford Town Center be rescheduled to the next Council meeting on April 2, 2018.

PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Certification of March 12, 2018 City of Bowie District 2 Special Election – Ms. Yolanda Jones, Chair of the Board of Elections read the report from the Board of Supervisors of Elections dated March 19, 2018, certifying the results of the March 12, 2018 Special Election which is attached hereto.
- B. Swearing-in of new District 2 Councilmember Dufour Woolfley – Mayor Robinson swore-in Mr. Dufour Woolfley as the new District 2 Councilmember. Councilmember Woolfley thanked his wife and family for their support in this effort, also the other candidates, and the voters.

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

COUNCIL Michael P. Estève ♦ Courtney D. Glass ♦ James L. Marcos ♦ Isaac C. Trough ♦ Dufour Woolfley **CITY MANAGER** Alfred D. Lott
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CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

A. Appointments/Re-appointments/Swearing-in:

1. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved the appointment of Catie Vandermeys as a member of the Green Team Executive Committee for a 2-year term. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.
2. Mayor Robinson swore-in Ms. Vandermeys to her respective committee.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Lott reported that department heads are in the final stages of preparing the FY 2019 budget for Council presentation next month and Public Works and Park & Grounds staff is preparing for hopefully the last storm of this winter.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of Resolution R-12-18 Accepting Bid Proposal for Brick Paver Replacement in the Northridge Section; B) Approval of Resolution R-13-18 Accepting Bid for the Purchase of a Skid Loader; C) Approval of Resolution R-14-18 Waiving by a Two Thirds Vote, the Bidding Requirements of Section 61 of the City Charter and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Annual Support Agreement With Convergeone to Provide Managed Services on the Telephone System; D) Approval of Resolution R-15-18 Accepting a Bid Proposal for Whitemarsh Park, Phase 1 Installation of a Sanitary Sewer; E) Approval of Resolution R-16-18 Accepting a Bid Proposal for Water Main Interconnection in Heather Hills. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Centennial Art Sculpture – Community Services Department, Project Manager Mr. Matt Reno introduced Mr. Charles Bergen the artist doing the Centennial Art Sculpture. This particular art project began in August 2016, the sculpture was to reflect Bowie's history and community as well as compliment the theme of the modern City Hall design and architecture and surrounding park. The sculpture will be a laser cut, welded and painted steel 3-panel design. The panels will represent the past, present and future of the City of Bowie.

Ms. Margaret Suddeth, representing the City's Arts Committee commented that the committee fully supports the design of the sculpture by Mr. Bergen and hopes Council supports their recommendation.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve the design concept for the art sculpture. Councilmember Woolfley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Retail Village East at the Melford Town Center – Developer requested that this item be rescheduled to the April 2 Council Meeting. Council concurred.

C. Police Department Update – Police Chief Nesky and Deputy Chief Preston briefed Council on department statistics, programs and activities. The department is authorized at 65, and currently have 64 sworn officers. The Call Center began dispatching for emergency and non-emergency calls on December 11, 2017; number of calls taken since then is 7,113. Training for call takers to be certified as dispatchers is ongoing and expect to be completed by July. The department has held a series of Town Hall meetings throughout the City, they were well attended in some spots and not so well attended in others; they tried to go live over social media channel in some locations. The meetings intent was to

get feedback on issues that the community sees. The main concerns are traffic and speeding. The department also held an online survey to gather more information. Theft from autos is always an issue but the numbers have been going down unfortunately retail theft numbers are increasing. The opioid crisis is starting to peek its head in Bowie; officers continue to get training on it and are carrying NARCAM in vehicles for treatment. The department participated in several community events in the past 6 months that were very successful.

Councilmember Esteve asked if the department is getting any calls thru social media. Chief Nesky replied that they have not; they do have a disclaimer on the site that it is not monitored 24 hours.

Councilmember Esteve then asked what were the number of opioid cases responded to by the officers. Deputy Preston replied that to date they know of 5 but are working with the Fire Department to see how many they have responded to and get a better number.

Councilmember Glass asked if there are Safety Resource Officers in the elementary and middle schools. Chief Nesky replied that at the moment they only have one at the high school and the annex; one of things the department is looking at in their three year strategic plan is to see if its feasible to have a roaming resource officer for the elementary and middle schools.

Mayor Robinson thanked Chief Nesky and Deputy Chief Preston for their presentation.

ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSE SESSION:

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved Statutory Authority to Close Session, General Provisions Article, §3-305(b)(3): To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto. Councilmember Trough seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk



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MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council
FROM: The Board of Supervisors of Elections of the City of Bowie
SUBJECT: 2018 DISTRICT 2 SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS Date: March 19, 2018

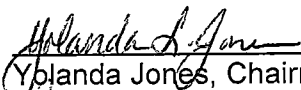
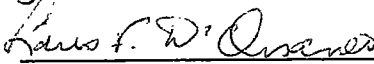
We, the undersigned Board of Supervisors of Elections, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and actual account for the District 2 Special Election of the City of Bowie, Maryland on Monday, March 12, 2018.

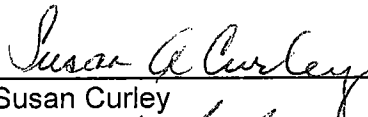
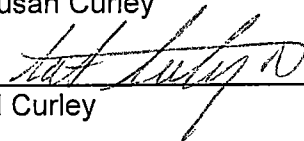
We, therefore, declare the following shall be the winner of this Election:

Councilmember – Dufour Woolfley - District 2 Number of Votes Cast: 1,323


A total of 2,126 cast their votes at the Polls, and 108 persons voted absentee, making a total of 2,234 voters casting votes in the March 12, 2018 City of Bowie District 2 Special Election. There are currently 10,534 voters registered on the County and City books, which makes a total of 21.21% of the registered voters casting their votes in the 2018 District 2 Special Election.

Members of the Board of Elections


Yolanda Jones, Chairman

Louis F. D'Orsaneo


Susan Curley

Al Curley

Attest:


Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk

Results of District 2 Special Election

March 12, 2018

		WINNER	2A	2B	TOTAL VOTES	% OF VOTES CAST
FRAZEE			31	21	52	2.33%
FRAZEE - ABSENTEE VOTES			0	3	3	0.13%
FRAZEE - TOTAL VOTES			31	24	55	2.46%
MELLITS			169	158	327	14.64%
MELLITS - ABSENTEE VOTES			6	8	14	0.63%
MELLITS - TOTAL VOTES			175	166	341	15.26%
POLANGIN			195	162	357	15.98%
POLANGIN - ABSENTEE VOTES			16	14	30	1.34%
POLANGIN - TOTAL VOTES			211	176	387	17.32%
ROEBUCK			95	29	124	5.55%
ROEBUCK - ABSENTEE VOTES			3	0	3	0.13%
ROEBUCK - TOTAL VOTES			98	29	127	5.68%
WOOLFLEY			607	658	1265	56.62%
WOOLFLEY - ABSENTEE VOTES			25	33	58	2.60%
WOOLFLEY - TOTAL VOTES	←		632	691	1323	59.22%
WRITE-INS			1	0	1	0.04%
WRITE-INS - ABSENTEE VOTES			0	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL WRITE-INS DISTRICT 2			1	0	1	0.04%
TOTAL VOTES CAST IN RACE			1148	1086	2234	100.00%

Summary

Total registered voters	10,534
# of voters casting ballots	2,234
Percentage voting	21.21%

**WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Date: 3/19/18 Time: 9:42 pm Location: CH 182 Motion to close meeting made by: Gardner

Seconded by Truth, Members voting in favor: Glass, Truth, Robinson, Gardner, Woolfley, Esteve
Opposed: _____ Abstaining: _____ Absent: _____

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION, General Provisions Article, §3-305(b) (check all that apply):

- (1) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;
- (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business;
- (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
- (4) To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State;
- (5) To consider the investment of public funds;
- (6) To consider the marketing of public securities;
- (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter;
- (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
- (9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations;
- (10) To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans;
- (11) To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination;
- (12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;
- (13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter;
- (14) Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

FOR EACH CITATION CHECKED ABOVE, THE REASONS FOR CLOSING AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

§3-305(b) (3) Consideration of Property Acquisition

§3-305(b) () _____

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This statement is made by Mayor Robinson, Presiding Officer: [Signature]
SIGNATURE

WORKSHEET FOR USE IN CLOSED SESSION (CHECKLIST OF DISCLOSURES TO BE MADE IN MINUTES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING- NOT A PART OF THE CLOSING STATEMENT)

PERSONS ATTENDING CLOSED SESSION: Levan, Glass, Truth, Lott, Robinson, King, Meinert, Esteve, Marcos, Gardner, woolfley, Mears

TOPICS ACTUALLY DISCUSSED Consideration of Property Acquisition

ACTION(S) TAKEN (IF ANY) AND RECORDED VOTES: _____

TIME CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNED: 10:02 PM

PLACE OF CLOSED SESSION Bowie City Hall

PURPOSE OF CLOSED SESSION: Consideration of Property Acquisition

STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE CLOSED SESSION: §3-305(b) (3); () ()

MEMBERS WHO VOTED TO CLOSE: _____