



City of Bowie

2614 Kenhill Drive
Bowie, Maryland 20715

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2011

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, January 3, 2011 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Brady, Marcos, Polangin, Trough, and Turner; City Manager Deutsch, Asst. City Manager Fitzwater, City Attorney Robert Levan, City Clerk Fleming, Members of the Staff, the Press and the Public. Councilmember Turner was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Appointments/Reappointments/Swearings-in -

A. Mayor Pro Tem Marcos moved the appointment of Regina Spruill as a member of the Bowie Education Committee. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

B. Councilmember Polangin moved the appointment of Heike Nyland as a member of the Bowie Board of Elections. Mayor Pro Tem Marcos seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

C. Mayor Robinson swore Ms. Spruill and Ms. Nyland into office in accordance with Sec. 92A of the City Charter.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY:

Acting Police Chief John Nesky introduced Officer Brandon Racadio.

Mayor Robinson swore Officer Racadio into office as a member of the Bowie Police Department.

Acting Police Chief Nesky provided an update on future officers to be hired.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager David Deutsch reported on the following: 1) BGE - The Mayor, Asst. City Manager and the Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be attending a Public Service Commission hearing this week regarding a BGE matter; a Vice President of BGE is expected to provide testimony; this is a meeting in response to letters requesting a final disposition of pending matters with the utility company after the conclusion of the Reliability Program; 2) Police Chief Recruitment – Recruitment has been underway since early December; as of last Friday, 58 applications had been received; the deadline is January 21, 2011 and expect to start interviewing in February. 3) Speed Cameras – The City has received a permit for the placement of cameras on State roads; the cameras are expected to be installed in two weeks on Route 450 near Bowie High School and on Route 197 near Rockledge Elementary School; final word on the request for approval on County roads has not yet been received, but hopes to have more information later in the week.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Mayor Pro Tem Marcos moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A. Approval of Minutes of December 6, 2010 Council Meeting; B. Approval of Resolution R-2-11, Approving Variance BV-1-10, a Request by Mr. Daniel Dippel to Validate "After the Fact" the Construction of a Six Foot High Fence Along Keene Place (Legal Front yard) and Along a Portion of the Lot Line Behind the House (Legal Side Yard) When, According to the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, Such Fencing Shall Not Be More than Four (4) Feet High, at 12600 Kemmerton Place; C. Approval of Resolution R-3-11, Accepting Bid for the Purchase of Fitness Equipment; D. Approval of Resolution R-4-11, Accepting Bid Proposals for Voice System Upgrade Adding a Switch for the New City Hall; and E. Approval of Resolution R-5-11, By Two-Thirds Vote Waiving the Bidding Requirements of Section 61 of the City Charter to Allow the City to Enter Into a Contract with AB Consultants, Inc., for Consulting Services Relating to 30% Design Drawings for Segment C of the Bowie Heritage Trail and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement for Such Consulting Services. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance O-1-11 – Amending Chapter 1, "General Provisions", Section 1-2 "Definitions and Rules of Construction", to Designate Bowie Police Officers as City Code Enforcement Officers – City Attorney Levan summarized the ordinance and said the purpose is to provide the City with another mechanism for code enforcement; it includes in the definition of Code Compliance Officers the City of Bowie Police Officers as well.

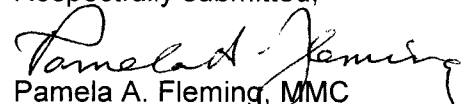
Since there were no persons signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Mayor Pro Tem Marcos moved to accept the staff recommendation to adopt Ordinance O-1-11. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Marcos moved that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion a personnel matter. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Pamela A. Fleming, MMC
City Clerk



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XII. **NEW BUSINESS:**

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

This Meeting will be televised live on Verizon Channel 10 and Comcast Channel 71, repeated on 1/5/11 and 1/8/11 at 7:00 p.m., and web-streamed live at www.cityofbowie.org/studio.asp

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOWIE CITY COUNCIL –
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2011 - 8:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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