

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT
PUBLIC SESSION
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022
7:00P.M.**

1. OPENING

1.1.1 Call to Order

Council President Higgs called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

1.1. Roll Call

Present: Councilmember Monica Higgs, Councilmember Hope Love, Vice Mayor Shireka McCarthy, Councilmember Kelly Porter, Councilmember Gerald Raynor, Sr., Councilmember Kizzie Scott, Councilmember Gloria Sistrunk

Staff: Diamond Plater, Staff Assistant, Jeannelle B. Wallace, Interim City Manager

1.2 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Porter gave the Invocation.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

It was motioned by Councilmember Sistrunk and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve the Public Session Agenda. The motion carried, and the agenda was unanimously approved by the Council.

Motion by Gloria L. Sistrunk, second by Kelly Porter

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott

Not Present at Vote: Shireka McCarthy

1.4 Approval of Special Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Motion to approve Special Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Motion by Gloria L Sistrunk, second by Hope Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.5 Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Motion to approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Motion by Gerald Raynor Sr, second by Kelly Porter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.6 Approval of Regular Work Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 6, 2021

Motion to Approve Regular Work Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 6, 2021

Motion by Gloria L Sistrunk, second by Gerald Raynor Sr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.7 Approval of Special Session Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Motion to approve Special Session Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Motion by Gloria L Sistrunk, second by Kelly Porter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.8 Approval of Public Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 13, 2021

Motion to Approve the Public Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 13, 2021

Motion by Hope Love, second by Gerald Raynor Sr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.9 Approval of Special Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 22, 2021

Motioned to approve the Special Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 22, 2021

Motion by Kizzie Scott, second by Gerald Raynor Sr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

1.10 Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 22, 2021

Motion to approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 22, 2021

Motion by Gloria L Sistrunk, second by Hope Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Monica Higgs, Hope Love, Kelly Porter, Gerald Raynor Sr, Kizzie Scott, Gloria L Sistrunk

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

2.1. Citizens comments

- Mrs. Robinson sent an email to the citizens comment email address stating she was confused with the message sent in reference to the trash/recycle pick up, because the message was sent after her trash had been picked up, so she was not sure if she was to put out my recycle on Friday, because the message clearly said any missed trash.

3. PRESENTATION

3.1. None.

4. LEGISLATION

4.1 None.

5. REPORTS:

5.1 Council President Report

- Council Vice President Higgs stated the Council President report can be found in Boarddocs.

5.2. Office of Mayor Report

- Vice Mayor McCarthy stated that the report can be found in Boarddocs.

5.3 Jeannelle Wallace, Interim City Manager

- Ms. Wallace stated that there are several reports under City manager report. The second quarter for grants division have a combination of grants we have and some that the city is seeking.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that all projects have been completed.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the ARP funds have been used for hazardous pay and the city used funds to pay for the delinquent rent for two apartments one on eastern avenue and the other on Greig street.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city had a marketing commercial that was put together
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city received numerous requests for relief for water than mortgage and rent relief.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city is currently working on a project to distribute food card from good foods market.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that PPE barriers will be installed for the constituent support services and will be installed on the Council dias.
- Ms. Wallace stated that the city is purchasing COVID-19 testing kits, however, a location has not been determined.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city is currently looking for an ARP person that will manage all the monies from the ARP.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that she will be looking at candidates resumes within the next week for.

- Mrs. Wallace stated that they plan to complete the web page to show the ARP monies, and affordable housing and trust grant completion and final report for the housing design for 420 69th Street and 6220 Foote.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that if the Council did not submit the choices for the designs that were shown at the charrette to submit choices by the deadline by tomorrow, Tuesday, January 11, 2022.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that is an extensive financial report showing the expenditures to the end of December. If you have any questions, please give her a call or the finance department.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that there was a question in the chat regarding the filling the position of mayor. They wanted to know if the council will correct the petition as it relates to C-310 of the city charter.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that notices will be sent to all registered voters in accordance with the Prince George's Board of elections. The notice will provide the new date for filling as well as the corrected petitions.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the person inquired if any sitting councilmember submitted to fill the vacancy.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city had received a candidate packet from Vice Mayor McCarthy and Councilmember Porter.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the next questions was will they be allowed to vote in the process. The response is yes, they will be recused from the process.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that they inquired of the status of Chief Martin. Mrs. Wallace stated that he is still the chief of police.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that there was question in the chat that asked why SPICE was being dismantled based upon inactivity and all three corporations will be dismantled.
- Mrs. Wallace stated the question in chat inquired about the signed release. Mrs. Wallace stated that the release was signed on December 31, 2021.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the question in chat inquired of the board members for SPICE.
- Mrs. Wallace stated the board members for SPICE were Marva Jo Camp, Donna Wilson, Jerome Weems, and Thomas Graham.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that there was question on the balance for SPICE.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city received two checks in the amount of \$177,000 and another check for \$300, and thus the amount is slightly over \$208,000.

- Mrs. Wallace stated that the board members spent over \$400,000 for themselves for salary and travel for investment meetings.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the question inquired when will City Hall be opened.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that city hall has had several concerns in the building as it relates to the elevator, HVAC, and roof leaking issues due to someone on top of the building.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the city met with the vendor regarding the maintenance of the building.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that we had delays due to staff contracting COVID and the building could not be opened. The numbers are on the rise again, and we have four staff members currently with COVID.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the police department reports and other reports are included in BoardDocs and will be uploaded on the city's website.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that the CVS closing may have been closed and they are closing nine hundred of their stores.
- Mrs. Wallace stated that she did send out communication to Walgreens and Rite-Aid to see if they are interested in coming to the city.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 None.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1 Ward II Meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 2022, by Zoom Video at 6:00pm. Meeting link details will be posted on City's website, Seat Pleasant, MD

8.2.

Regular Work Session, Monday, February 7, 2022, by Zoom Video at 6:00pm. Meeting link details will be on the city's website, Seat Pleasant, MD

8.3. Ward V Meeting, Monday, February 14, 2022, by Zoom Video at 10:00am-12:00pm. Meeting link details will be posted on City's website, Seat Pleasant, MD

8.4 Public Session, Monday, February 14, 2022, by Zoom Video at 7:00pm. Meeting link details will be on the city's website, Seat Pleasant, MD

9. ADJOURN:

9.1. The meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm

Submitted by,

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Dashaun N. Lanham, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED 02/14/22