

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON**  
**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center by Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins. Attending were Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins, Vice Chair Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg, Katrina R. Dodro, and Mayor Andrew C. Hanco, Interim Administrative Officer Joseph Nagro, Director of Public Works Bernard Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, Treasurer Diane Dawes and City Clerk Doug Barber. Councilmember Richard Bechtold was absent.

**1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Robbins welcomed everyone and asked Mr. Lashley to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Robbins noted that the Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2017, was cancelled due to inclement weather in the area.

**2. Report of the Treasurer – Consideration of Bills**

Treasurer Dawes presented the Treasurer's Report: Batch #1 (February 16, 2017); Batch #2 (February 23, 2017); Batch #3 (March 2, 2017); and Batch #4 (March 9, 2017) the bills totaled \$286,654.17. There were 5 bills in excess of \$10,000. There was no discussion. Mr. Rosenberg moved to accept the report with a copy being attached to the minutes; seconded by Mr. Lashley. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

**3. Meeting Minutes**

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (February 1, 2017)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (February 13, 2017)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (February 15, 2017)

Ms. Dodro moved that the following minutes be approved: City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2017; City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017; and City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2017. Mr. Rosenberg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

**4. Council Member Announcements**

Ms. Dodro noted her attendance at the upcoming Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) Meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017, being hosted by the City of Laurel, Maryland.

Mr. Rosenberg thanked the Department of Public Works crews for keeping the roads in the City cleared during the recent winter weather storm.

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Mr. Lashley thanked the Department of Public Works crews for their great work in keeping the roads in the City cleared during the recent winter storm. Mr. Lashley noted the upcoming City of New Carrollton Annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, April 15, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at the Vera Cope Weinbach Park.

Ms. Robbins reminded the City Council that the City has scheduled a Special City Council Workshop Meeting for Saturday, March 25, 2017, to discuss the City Municipal Center Building. Ms. Robbins thanked the Department of Public Works crews for their work during the recent winter storm. Ms. Robbins closed by updating the Council on scheduled roadwork for Princess Garden Parkway.

Mr. Rosenberg reminded the residents of the Community Tax Aid (CTA) program. The program will run through April 2017 at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center – Multipurpose Room on Monday's and Thursday's from 6:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

**5. Additions to the Agenda**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**6. Old Business**

**Ordinance 17-06 Chapter 12: Ethics (Second Reading)**

**Motion:** Ms. Dodro moved that the Council adopt Ordinance 17-06, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton amending Chapter 12 "Ethics" Code of the City of New Carrollton, §12-6 and §12-7 to change the financial disclosure requirements for certain employees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rosenberg. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion to adopt Ordinance 17-06 was approved (4-0-0). The Ordinance will become effective upon approval by the Maryland State Ethics Board.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**DISCUSSION OF THE BICENTENNIAL WALL PROJECT**

**Motion:** Mr. Lashley moved that the Council approve the contract with Bry's Lawn Care and Landscaping, LLC in the amount of \$36,710.00 for the completion of the Bicentennial Wall façade improvement project located on Westbrook Drive. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rosenberg. Mr. Rosenberg requested clarification on the cost of the project. Director of Public Works Cochran responded to the questions posed by the Council regarding to the project's costs. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

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**DISCUSSION OF THE 4-CITIES COALITION MEETING (APRIL 26, 2017) AGENDA ITEMS**

Ms. Robbins requested the Council's input for items to be placed on the upcoming 4-Cities Coalition Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2017, being hosted by the City of New Carrollton. The Council requested an update from Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) on their scheduled work in the area as well as a discussion of the shared street sweeper.

**DISCUSSION OF ENERGY SUPPLY COMPANY**

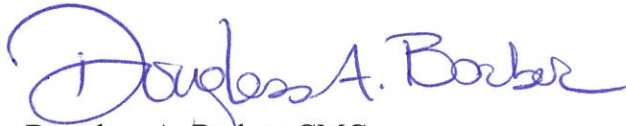
Mr. Rosenberg noted that residents in the City have been approached by energy supply companies. The Council noted that the City has a no soliciting policy. The City cannot give recommendations but encourage residents to do their homework when reviewing information provided by any company.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business Mr. Rosenberg moved to adjourn the City Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, March 15, 2017, seconded by Ms. Dodro. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on April 19, 2017.