

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 4, 2017, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins; Councilmembers Lincoln Lashley, Richard Bechtold, Duane Rosenberg, and Katrina R. Dodro; Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, Interim Administrative Officer Joseph Nagro, Assistant Administrative Officer Timothy George, Public Works Director Bernard Wilson Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, and City Clerk Doug Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robbins welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Hanko advised that the City's Administrative Staff were preparing the FY 2018 Budget (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018) and invited public input from the residents of the City for ideas, suggestions, or comments for the next budget year. Mayor Hanko requested that all residents are aware of the Department of Public Works and their responsibilities during snow/ice events and have everyone work together to ensure that all streets are passable and thoroughly cleared of ice and snow. Mayor Hanko closed his report by noting that the Department of Public Works Parks Supervisor Oscar Amamya would be leaving employment with the City of New Carrollton. Mayor Hanko noted that the City has brought back Mr. Pete Lublin on a part-time basis to assist the Department of Public Works with the spring planting.

Interim Administrative Officer Nagro advised the Council that he had no written report to the Council. Mr. Nagro addressed the Council's previous discussion on the allocation of funds for the Bicentennial Wall Project. The Council discussed the issue and supported having the item be presented at the next Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2017 for an official discussion

Director of Public Works Cochran had no official written report to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Cochran advised the Council that the Department of Public Works completed the 2016 leaf collection season and were doing spot checks throughout the City. Mr. Cochran advised the Council and residents that the Department of Public Works would be treating roadways in the City if needed prior to snow/ice events.

Chief of Police Rice wished everyone a Happy New Year. Chief Rice thanked the Police Department Staff for all their work during the holiday season. Chief Rice provided the Police Statistics for December 2016 to the Council. Chief Rice closed his report by inviting everyone to the City of New Carrollton Police Department 2016 Awards Banquet on Friday, February 24, 2016, at the Metro Points Hotel at a cost of \$30.00 per ticket.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

The Council had no questions.

4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Dodro noted the upcoming Maryland Municipal League's Annual Legislative Opening Day Reception scheduled for Wednesday, January 11, 2017, in Annapolis, Maryland.

Mr. Lashley wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Lashley noted the upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center (6016 Princess Garden Parkway) from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Rosenberg highlighted events noted in the current issue of the City of New Carrollton Newsletter January/February 2017 issue as follows: Ebenezer We Care, We Share Community Outreach Pantry held every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the City Municipal Center; American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., at the City Municipal Center; Community Tax Program will begin in February and run through the first part of April at the City Municipal Center every Monday and Thursday, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Mr. Bechtold wished everyone a happy holiday season. Mr. Bechtold noted the upcoming Friends of the New Carrollton Police Foundation Annual Meeting scheduled for Saturday, January 14, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.

5. MEETING MINUTES

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (December 19, 2016)
- b) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (December 21, 2016)

Chairman Robbins advised the Council that the minutes listed above have been provided to the Council. Ms. Robbins requested that Council provide any corrections to City Clerk Barber.

6. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

No one wished to address the Council.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Rosenberg moved to adjourn the Council Workshop Meeting of January 4, 2017, seconded by Mr. Bechtold. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on February 15, 2017.