

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

The Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, in the Council Workshop Room# 230 of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chair Phelecia Nembhard, Councilmembers Roy A. Peterson, Lincoln Lashley, Stephen L. John, Sarah Potter Robbins, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, City Administrative Officer Tim George, Chief of Police David Rice, Interim Director of Public Works Joseph Nagro, and City Clerk Doug Barber.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Nembhard welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Ms. Nembhard noted that Item # 2 (Presentation of FY 2019 Auditors Report) had been rescheduled to the Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2020.

**3. PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER DANNIELLE GLAROS, DISTRICT 3**

Prince George's County Councilmember Dannielle Glaros provided an update from the Prince George's County Council to the City of New Carrollton Council. Councilmember Glaros provided updates and responded to questions on the following items: Purple Line, New Carrollton Metro Station Development, Prince George's County Volunteer Fire Department, 2020 Prince George's County Zoning Re-Write and the 2020 Census.

**4. REPORT OF MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION**

Mayor Rosenberg thanked everyone who was able to come out and support the scouts at the annual chili supper. Mayor Rosenberg reminded residents that the Community Tax Aid Program that assists with tax preparation is held on Mondays and Thursdays at the City Municipal Center. Mayor Rosenberg closed his report by noting the meetings and events he has recently attended.

Mr. George noted he provided the Council with a formal written report. Mr. George provided the following highlights from his report. Mr. George advised the Council that the work on the gutters and sidewalks at the City Municipal Center had been completed. Mr. George updated the Council that meetings with M-NCPPC continue regarding the relocation of the City's Municipal Center. Mr. George closed his report by reporting that the City of New Carrollton had received a supplemental census grant to help assist the City with the Census Complete Count efforts.

Mr. Nagro provided a written report to the Council. Mr. Nagro provided the following highlights from his report. Mr. Nagro advised the Council the Department of Public Works was working on their proposed FY 2021 Budget. Mr. Nagro closed by highlighting the stats from the sanitation division on refuse collection and bulk trash collections for the month of January.

Chief Rice provided the Council on issues being addressed by the New Carrollton Police Department. Chief Rice provided clarification on the City's noise ordinance to the Council. Chief Rice closed his report by encouraging residents to attend the upcoming Annual Police Banquet scheduled for Friday, February 28, 2020, at the Metro Points Hotel.

**5. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Nembhard noted concerns of residents regarding traffic congestion at Parkdale High school during their parking lot pavement project and it has caused additional traffic congestion on Good Luck Road in the mornings.

Mr. John encouraged all to fill the 2020 Census. Mr. John noted that the Council must work as a team and agree to disagree on items, but to respect each other's options.

Mr. Peterson requested that Chief Rice provide additional clarification on the City's Code regarding noise. Chief Rice reviewed with the Council the process and encouraged all to call the police with any complaints.

Mr. Lashley requested Mr. George provide the Council with an update on the City's work with regards to economic development. Mr. George provided the Council with an update on the City's economic development in the City.

Ms. Robbins thanked the Prince George's County Fire Station 48 for their quick response and efficient service regarding a recent call in which they responded.

Ms. Nembhard requested an update on the Harland Street Property. Mr. George provided an update to the Council on potential options that are being explored for the property.

**6. CLEAN WATER PARTNERSHIP PROJECT – COUNCIL SUPPORT**

Ms. Nembhard noted that the Council received a presentation from the Clean Water Partnership at the Council Workshop Meeting held on February 5, 2020. The Council stated their support of the project. Ms. Nembhard noted that an official motion supporting moving forward on the Clean Water Partnership project will be placed on the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for February 19, 2020.

**7. 2020 ELECTION UPDATE**

Clerk Barber provided the Council overview of the 2020 Election. Mr. Barber highlighted for the Council and the listening audience the 2020 Election Timeline. Mr. Barber closed by responding to questions given by the Council regarding the 2020 election process.

**8. ORDINANCE 20-08 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECONCILIATION NO. FOUR: TO AMEND ORDINANCE 19-17 CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FY2020**

City Administrative Officer George presented proposed Ordinance 20-08, a budget amendment that included the purchase of two trash trucks. The Council discussed the issue at length. Mr. George responded to questions given by the Council on the issue. Ms. Nembhard noted that an official motion will be presented at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

**9. RESOLUTION 20-07 RESOLUTION FIXING SALARIES FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL UPON APPROVAL OF VOTERS**

City Administrative Officer George and City Clerk Barber presented the item to the Council. There was no discussion by the Council. Ms. Nembhard requested that Mr. John present the official motion on the item at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

**10. RE-APPOINTMENT BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBER – MR. RONNIE FAIRLEY**

City Clerk Barber presented the item to the Council. There was no discussion on the item. Ms. Nembhard requested that Mr. Lashley present the official motion on the item at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

**11. FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE (FOP) CBA NEXT STEPS DECISION DISCUSSION**

Ms. Nembhard opened the discussion with the Council regarding the next steps for the Council to discuss the FOP Lodge #137 requests of the Council to consider changing the City Charter to allow for Collective Bargaining. The Council requested the Council schedule a Closed Session Meeting for Monday, March 16, 2020, for them to discuss the issue.

**12. MEETING MINUTES**

- a) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 13, 2020)
- b) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (January 15, 2020)

Ms. Nembhard advised the Council that the Council Workshop Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2020, and Council Legislative Meeting Minutes for January 15, 2020, had been provided to the Council. Ms. Nembhard requested that the Council provide any corrections to Mr. Barber.

**13. REVIEW OF THE BILLS**

**Batch # 1 (January 9, 2020); Batch # 2 (January 16, 2020); Batch # 3 (January 23, 2020); and Batch # 4 (February 6, 2020)**

The staff responded to questions and comments given by the Council regarding the bills.

**14. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS**

Ms. Dianne Olsufka, 6511 Jodie Street, addressed the Council with her concerns regarding the Carrollton Parkway overgrowth on the creek beds.

Mr. Jeffery Dolberg, 5813 84<sup>th</sup> Avenue, addressed the Council regarding Collective Bargaining.

**15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Ms. Robbins moved to adjourn the City Council Workshop Meeting of Tuesday, February 18, 2020, seconded by Mr. Peterson. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, MMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on April 15, 2020