

April 22, 2019

The Working Session of the Denton Town Council was called to order by Mayor McNinch at 6:08 PM on this date, leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Working Session was held at the Wharves of Choptank Visitor Center.

All Councilmembers were present.

Staff present included – Don Mulrine, Lt. George Bacorn, Phil Clark, and Karen Monteith.

Discussion was held on the following items:

Caroline County Council of Arts

Mrs. Marina Dowdall, of the CCCA, and Mrs. Audrey Clemens, with the Downtown Denton Main Street, met with the Council to discuss entering into a Memorandum of Understanding for the administration of the state designated Denton Main Street and Denton Arts & Entertainment Districts.

This item will be on the next meeting agenda to continue discussion.

Denton Volunteer Fire Department

Mr. Todd Berneski, President of the DVFD, presented the Departments Budget, income sources, expected major expenditures and Operating Status and ongoing initiatives, and thanked the Council for their continued support.

Budget Review

Staff provided an update on the budgets.

1105 Market Street

Ownership of 1105 Market Street was recently transferred to the Town. Discussion on soliciting bids for disposal was held. Staff will work with the Town Attorney to begin the process.

This item will be placed on the June agenda for approval.

Mid Shore Council of Family Violence Lease

Mr. Mulrine shared that the MSCFV Lease automatically renewed and provided an update on potential plans to renovate the interior.

Strategic Plan

Mayor McNinch requested a planning session to dedicate time to finalizing the Strategic Plan. This item will be discussed during the June 17, 2019 Working Session. The Council decided to change the meeting time for the June 17th Session to be 9:00 AM instead of 6:30 PM.

Roll Off Container Service Pricing/Solutions

Mr. Mulrine and Mr. Clark discussed concerns with the current roll off vendor changing pricing and raising fees for servicing the container for the special collection items. Staff will research to see what other vendors may charge to provide the service, as well as obtain cost for possibly buying a container, and to possibly consider purchasing a roll off truck in a few years.

Miscellaneous

Mayor McNinch inquired about a recent noise complaint she received. Lt. Bacorn advised that contact was made with the landlord and the issue seems to be under control.

Upcoming Events

April 29th – His Hope Ministries Meet and Greet at 6:30 PM

May 2nd – National Day of Prayer at 12PM

May 2nd - His Hope Ministries Resource Center Open House 1PM – 3PM

May 6th – ICS402 Training at 6PM.

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May 7th - Fallen Law Enforcement Officers Candle Light Vigil at Calvary Baptist

May 11th – Police Unity Bike Tour

May 11th - DDMS Spring Fling

Mayor McNinch is working on scheduling a Tour of Easton Utilities

ESAM discussion will focus on Climate Change

Mayor McNinch, Councilwoman Wilson and Mr. Mulrine attended the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Review Breakfast.

Mayor McNinch recently met with Senator Van Hollen.

Councilwoman Wilson recently assisted with hosting Dr. Maya Cummings visit to Denton.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor McNinch adjourned the Working Session at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen L. Monteith,
Clerk-Treasurer*