



Town of Sykesville

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APPROVED

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2015 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **NO. 15-05**

The regular Council meeting of the Town of Sykesville was held on Monday, March 9, 2015. Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Meeting Room at the Town House. Mayor Shaw led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Mayor Ian Shaw, Council President Frank Robert, and Council Members Julia Betz, Al Grasley, Leo Keenan, and Stacy Link

ABSENT: Council Member Anna Carter

STAFF: Dawn Ashbacher, Town Manager
Janice Perrault, Town Clerk
Michael Spaulding, Chief of Police
Linda Joyce, Town Treasurer

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None

MINUTES: February 23, 2015

MOTION: Council President Robert motioned and Council Member Keenan seconded to approve the February 23, 2015 minutes as written.

The motion carried with Council Member Grasley abstaining.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

Chief Spaulding reported on the period from February 19, 2015 through March 3, 2015. There were a total of 282 calls for service, and 12 assists to other police agencies/departments outside the Town.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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COUNCIL COMMITTEE

REPORTS:

- **Historic District Commission** – Council Member Link announced the HDC did hold a joint meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss new construction on Main Street. The next meeting will be held on March 24.
- **Warfield Development Corporation (WDC)** – Mayor Shaw indicated the next meeting is scheduled for April 1.
- **Military Memorial** – Council President Robert announced that the project should start very soon.
- **Main Street Association** – Council Member Keenan announced due to the weather, the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10 to discuss the Art and Wine Festival.
- **Planning Commission** – Council Member Betz announced the joint meeting with the Historic District Commission on March 2. Discussion took place about subdivision plat and a final site plan for 7526 Main Street.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- On Monday, March 9, EW Beck's restaurant is hosting a fundraiser for the Sykesville Community Garden.
- On Monday, March 23, Nominations will be accepted for four Council Member positions. Three will be for a four year term and one is for a two year term.
- On Saturday, March 28, the Mayor and Town Council Retreat will be held at the Town House. The public is invited to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Carroll County Sheriff, James Dewees** – Chief Spaulding introduced Sheriff Dewees and recognized his 25 years of service as a Captain for the Maryland State Police. Mayor Shaw and Chief Spaulding recognized his current position as Sheriff for Carroll County and provided a proclamation for his years of service as a Maryland State Trooper. Sheriff Dewees discussed his major initiatives as Sheriff.
2. **FY 2016-2020 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)** – Dawn Ashbacher requested the Mayor and Council members to rate all the items for FY 2016 on the CIP to get an idea of funding priorities. Further discussion will take place during the budget process. The Mayor and Council also discussed responsibility and funding for sidewalk maintenance. Ms. Ashbacher recommended funding a sidewalk study to provide more information on the anticipated costs.

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MOTION: Council Member Grasley motioned and Council Member Keenan seconded to take a 5 minute recess at 8:26 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Betz motioned and Mayor Shaw seconded to go back into open session at 8:30 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSED
SESSION:**

Council Member Grasley motioned and Council Member Keenan seconded to go into closed session at 8:30 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was proposed to be closed pursuant to the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 10-508(a) to discuss (1)(i) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, designation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction, or (ii) Any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

Those in attendance were: Mayor Shaw, Council President Robert, Council Members Betz, Grasley, Keenan, Link and Town Manager Dawn Ashbacher.

Absent: Council Member Carter

Items discussed were:

- Personnel – Economic Development/Main Street Coordinator – confidential personnel information – action

MOTION: Council Member Grasley motioned and Council Member Link seconded to go into open session at 8:37.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Shaw motioned and Council Member Grasley seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:38 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted
Janice Perrault
Town Clerk**