



Mayor and City Council of Cumberland

Mayor Raymond M. Morriss
Councilman Seth D. Bernard
Councilman Richard J. "Rock" Cioni
Councilman Eugene T. Frazier
Councilwoman Laurie P. Marchini

City Administrator Jeffrey D. Rhodes
City Solicitor Michael S. Cohen
City Clerk Marjorie A. Woodring

MINUTES

M&CC Regular Meeting
Video Conference

DATE: October 20, 2020

I. OPEN SESSION

II. Roll Call

PRESENT:

Councilman Seth Bernard
Councilman Richard J. Cioni
Councilman Eugene T. Frazier
Councilwoman Laurie P. Marchini
President Raymond M. Morriss

Also Present: Jeffrey D. Rhodes, City Administrator; Michael S. Cohen, City Solicitor; Marjorie A. Woodring, City Clerk

III. Director's Reports

Motion to approve the reports was made by Councilman Frazier, seconded by Councilwoman Marchini, and was passed on a vote of 5-0

(A) Administrative Services

1. Administrative Services monthly report for September, 2020

(B) Public Works

1. Maintenance Division monthly report for September, 2020

(C) Fire

1. Fire Department monthly report for September, 2020

(D) Police

1. Police Department monthly report for September, 2020

(E) Utilities - Flood, Water, Sewer

1. Utilities Division-Flood/Water/Sewer monthly report for September, 2020

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes was made by Councilwoman Marchini, seconded by Councilman Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0

1. Approval of the Work and Regular Session minutes of September 15, 2020, and the Work Session Minutes of September 29, 2020

V. Unfinished Business

(A) Ordinances

Mr. Rhodes provided background on the Ordinance and Mr. Cohen stated that this Ordinance will clarify that two or more distinct premises must require their own distinct shut-off valves.

1. **Ordinance 3876** (*2nd and 3rd readings*) - to repeal and reenact Section 24-49 of the City Code pertaining to service pipes supplying two or more premises with water, for the purpose of clarifying its terms

SECOND READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its second reading. Motion to accept the second reading and move to the third after comment was made by Councilman Frazier, seconded by Councilman Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

Mayor Morriss called for questions or comments. Being none, the Ordinance moved to its third reading.

THIRD READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its third reading and was passed on a vote of 4-0.

Councilwoman Marchini lost internet connection at 6:21p.m.

(B) Orders (Consent Agenda)

Mr. Rhodes provided background on the tabled Order, and advised that after checking on the grant, it does not appear that accepting the grant would bring on an historical easement. He added that if funding is granted, they will double-check the paperwork before accepting the funds. Mayor Morriss called for any questions or comments. Being none, motion to approve Order No. 26,720 was made by Councilman Bernard, seconded by Councilman Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 4-0.

1. **Order 26,720** (*Tabled at previous meeting*) - authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the City's application to the MD Heritage Areas Emergency Capital Fund for critically needed work at the George Washington's Headquarters Cabin

Councilwoman Marchini re-joined the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

VI. New Business

(A) Ordinances

Mr. Rhodes provided background on the properties which were declared surplus on July 20, 2020, and advised on the location of the properties.

- 100 Arch Street
- 332 Davidson Street
- 334 Davidson Street
- 532 N. Centre Street
- 730 Bedford Street
- 1016 Ella Avenue
- Pine Avenue (2 Lots)
- 409 Walnut Street

Ordinance 3877 (*1st reading*) - accepting bids for the purchase of nine (9) parcels of real property and authorizing conveyance of those properties to the successful bidders, subject to certain terms for conveyance

FIRST READING: The Ordinance was submitted in title only for its first reading, and Mayor Morriss called for questions or comments. Being none, motion to approve the 1st Reading and table until next meeting was made by Councilman Bernard, seconded by Councilman Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Orders (Consent Agenda)

Mr. Rhodes reviewed all items on the Consent Agenda, and Mayor Morriss called for questions or comments. Motion to approve all Consent Agenda items was made by Councilwoman Marchini, seconded by Councilman Frazier, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

Order 26,724 - authorizing execution of a Three-Year Salt and Aggregate Utilization Agreement with MD State Highway Administration for the distribution of salt and/or aggregate during winter storm events, for a three (3) year period effective September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2023

Order 26,725 - appointing Betsey H. Schwab to the Administrative Appeals Board for a three (3) year term effective September 30, 2020 through September 30, 2023

Councilman Cioni wanted to thank those that are willing to give their time to serve on the City's Boards and Commissions, and Mayor Morriss agreed, saying that it is a community service that is greatly appreciated.

Order 26,726 - authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a FY21 Byrne Justice Assistance Drug Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of \$59,820 to fund overtime and equipment to develop and implement strategies to reduce drug related crime and overdose deaths in the community

VII. Public Comments

No Comments

All public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person

VIII. Adjournment

With no further business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Minutes approved on November 20, 2020

Raymond M. Morriss, Mayor

ATTEST: Marjorie A. Woodring, City Clerk