

# **MINUTES**

# **Mayor and Council Meeting**

Tuesday, December 20, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Frostburg Municipal Center Meeting Room - 37 Broadway

The Mayor and Council Meeting of the City of Frostburg was called to order on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, at 7:00 PM, at the Frostburg Municipal Center, 37 Broadway, with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Adam Ritchey, Commissioner of Public Works

> Donny Carter, Commissioner of Finance Kevin Grove, Commissioner of Public Safety

Nina Forsythe, Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

#### **EXCUSED:**

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- **CALL TO ORDER** 1
- 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3 FROSTBURG BLESSING
- 4 **ROLL CALL**
- 5 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner of Water, Parks and Recreation Nina Forsythe, seconded by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove.

#### 6 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) Minutes from the November Council Meeting. 6 - 8

Moved by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey, seconded by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe

Motion and Second to Approve the Minutes for the November Council Meeting.

Carried

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#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND REQUESTS** 7

- Spirit of Frostburg Award Presentation to Dr. Kara Rogers-Thomas a)
- b) Certificate of Appreciation Presentation to Allegany County Tourism

- Certificate of Appreciation to Western Maryland Scenic Railroad for a successful 2022 PEx Operation
- d) Police Department Introductions
  - Officer Tyler Davis
  - Officer Joshua Delaney
  - Officer Wesley Miller
  - Cadet Avery Painter
  - Appointment of Police Dept. Chaplain Pastor Kristin Beeman, Trinity Assembly of God Midlothian
- e) Police Department Awards/Recognition
  - Sergeant Matthew Beeman Outstanding Leadership and Service, MPTC Instructor of the Year
  - Corporal Jordan Cook Life Saver & Outstanding Service (Two Recognitions)
  - Sergeant Nathan Curry Recognition for MADD DWI/DUI Enforcement Award
  - Corporal Brooke McCarty Recognition for Cumberland Valley Optimist Club LE Award
  - Sergeant Christopher Mullaney Outstanding Leadership and Service
  - PCO II Mary Gracie PCO of the Year 2022
  - Benito Reyes Outstanding Community Member of the Year 2022

#### 8 MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Small Town Christmas with Megan Alexander in Frostburg on UPtv: Watch again on Thursday at 10:30 am on UPtv. Where to watch: https://uptv.com/episodes/frostburg-md/
- b) Monthly Reports of the City Departments

Moved by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove, seconded by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey

Motion and Second to Approve Monthly Reports of the City Departments; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

#### 9 PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Combined Sewer Overflow Monthly Public Hearing
- 10 OLD BUSINESS
- 11 NEW BUSINESS

a) ORDINANCE 2022-08 Amending City Code Article II, Section II (The City of Frostburg Ethics Law)

Moved by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe, seconded by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove

Motion and Second to Approve the Ordinance on First Reading, and set the February 15, 2023 Council Meeting as an advertised Public Hearing; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

b) ORDINANCE 2022-09 Amending the City Code to Provide for the Adoption of Regulations Pertaining to Solicitors and Mobile Business Vehicles

Moved by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey, seconded by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe

Motion and Second to Approve the Ordinance on First Reading, and set the February 15, 2023 Council Meeting as an advertised Public Hearing; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

c) **RESOLUTION 2022-55** Appoint member to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Elizabeth Stahlman, City Administrator

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Moved by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove, seconded by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-55; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

Res. 2022-55 Member Planning Commission

- d) RESOLUTION 2022-56 Approve American Rescue Plan Act Projects/Programs. Nick Costello, Chief of Police and Elizabeth Stahlman, City Administrator
  - Police Livescan Fingerprinting Hardware/Software
  - Disc Golf Course equipment for installation at Hoffman Park
  - Frostburg Fire Department Ladder Truck Grant for \$500,000 subject to agreement between City and FFD

Moved by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove, seconded by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-56; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

### Res. 2022-56 ARPA Funds-Projects

e) **RESOLUTION 2022-57** Approve 51 LED Light Kits for Street Lights from Tri-State Electric.

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Moved by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove, seconded by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-57; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

## Res. 2022-57 LED Light Kits for Street Lights

f) **RESOLUTION 2022-58** Authorize the Purchase of 34 W. Mechanic Street as part of a downtown Municipal Parking Lot project. Elizabeth Stahlman, City Administrator

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Moved by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey, seconded by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-58; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

Res. 2022-58 W. Mechanic St. Parking Lot

g) **RESOLUTION 2022-59** Certify businesses to participate in the Enterprise Zone Program. Elizabeth Stahlman, City Administrator

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Moved by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe, seconded by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-59; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

Res. 2022-59 Enterprise Zone Certificate List

# 12 REPORT OF THE FROSTBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Nicholas Costello

### 13 OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Fire Department Chief Nick Green gave the Monthly Report.

### 14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

Mayor	



## **MINUTES**

# **Mayor and Council Meeting**

Thursday, November 17, 2022 - 7:00 PM
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PRESENT:

Adam Ritchey, Commissioner of Public Works Donny Carter, Commissioner of Finance Kevin Grove, Commissioner of Public Safety

Nina Forsythe, Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

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- 6 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
  - a) Minutes from the October Council Meeting.

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Moved by Commissioner of Finance Donny Carter, seconded by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey

Motion and Second to Approve the Minutes for the October Council Meeting.

Carried

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b) Sealed Minutes and Summary of Closed Meeting on October 13, 2022

Moved by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey, seconded by Commissioner of Finance Donny Carter

Motion and Second to Approve Sealed Minutes and Summary of Closed Meeting on October 13, 2022

Carried

#### 7 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND REQUESTS

a) Municipal Government Works Month Proclamation

Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey presented Director of Public Works, Hayden Lindsey with a Proclamation.

#### 8 MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Monthly Reports of the City Departments

Moved by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove, seconded by Commissioner of Water, Parks, and Recreation Nina Forsythe

Motion and Second to Approve Monthly Reports of the City Departments; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

#### 9 PUBLIC HEARINGS

a) ORDINANCE 2022-07 Amending Ordinance 2019-07 to amend the definition of "Project" used therein to include the acquisition and demolition of certain residential rental properties and the design, engineering and construction of a new public parking lot.

Ord. 2022-07 Amend Infrastructure Bond Ord.

b) Combined Sewer Overflow Monthly Public Hearing

#### 10 OLD BUSINESS

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Moved by Commissioner of Finance Donny Carter, seconded by Commissioner of Public Works Adam Ritchey

Motion and Second to Approve the Ordinance on Second Reading; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

Ord. 2022-07 Amend Infrastructure Bond Ord.

#### 11 NEW BUSINESS

a) **RESOLUTION 2022-54** Authorize additional staff member as a "Retirement Coordinator" with the Maryland State Pension System

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Moved by Commissioner of Finance Donny Carter, seconded by Commissioner of Public Safety Kevin Grove

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2022-54; PUBLIC COMMENT; Vote of the Mayor and City Council.

Carried

Res. 2022-54 Retirement Coordinator Designation

# 12 REPORT OF THE FROSTBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Nicholas Costello

#### 13 OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

#### 14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Mayor

City Administrator

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FROSTBURG, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE FROSTBURG PLANNING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the City of Frostburg has a number of Boards and Commissions established for specific purposes; and,

WHEREAS, certain vacancies and expired terms have been identified on the Frostburg Board of Zoning Appeals; and,

WHEREAS, staff have verified the interest of certain residents or, where appropriate, technical specialists, for appointment to these Boards and Commissions.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Frostburg Mayor & City Council do hereby approve reappointing Julia Williams to Board of Zoning Appeals for a 3 year term expiring December 20, 2025.

ADOPTED this 20th day of December, 2022.

Frostburg Mayor and Council

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

Attest:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FROSTBURG, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, APPROVING CERTAIN PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS TO BE IMPLEMENTED USING THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, The City of Frostburg has been allocated \$8.379 M through the State and Local Coronavirus Relief Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan Act; and,

WHEREAS, The City is to spend these funds in accordance with the Final Rule and supplementary guidelines issued by the U.S. Treasury; and,

WHEREAS, the Council will review projects and approve staff to proceed with project or program implementation in order to obligate the entirety of the funds by December 31, 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Frostburg approves the use of American Rescue Plan Act funds for the following programs and projects:

- Police Livescan Fingerprinting Hardware/Software
- Disc Golf Course Equipment for installation at Hoffman Park
- Frostburg Fire Department Ladder Truck \$500,000 (subject to agreement between City and FFD)

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

Frostburg Mayor and Council

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FROSTBURG, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LED LIGHT KITS FOR STREETS LIGHTS.

WHEREAS, The City of Frostburg's maintains many of the decorative street lights throughout the City; and,

WHEREAS, the City obtained grants over the last 10 or more years to convert the street lights to LED; and,

WHEREAS, the first generation lights that were installed have exceeded their useful life and are in needed of replacement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and City Council of Frostburg, Maryland authorize the purchase of 51 HADCO LED Light Kits from Capital Electric, as a sole source purchase due to the brand name light kit required and the vendor is the local distributor for HADCO, in the amount of \$25,092.000

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

Frostburg Mayor and Council

Attest:

Elizabeth Stahlman-City Administrator

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FROSTBURG APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A PROPERTIY ON W. MECHANIC STREET FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING A DOWNTOWN MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT.

WHEREAS, The City of Frostburg has identified the need to create downtown parking opportunities from resident and business owner feedback in addition to parking available for the employees working at the Frostburg Municipal Center and visitors to City Place; and,

WHEREAS, The opportunity to purchase 34 W. Mechanic Street was presented and the Mayor and Council were able to successfully negotiate a contract; and,

WHEREAS, this are in close proximity to 37 Broadway, downtown businesses, and City Place, and has been identified as an ideal spot for construction of a parking area.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Frostburg Mayor & City Council do hereby approve the purchase of 34 W. Mechanic in the amount of \$115,000 and to authorize the Mayor or City Administrator to sign all related documents.

ADOPTED this 20th day of December, 2022.

Frostburg Mayor and Council

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

Attest:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FROSTBURG, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, CERTIFYING PROPERTIES ELIGIBLE FOR PROPERTY TAX AND INCOME TAX CREDITS UNDER THE STATE OF MARYLAND'S ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development has approved an application by the City of Frostburg for re-designation of the Frostburg Enterprise Zone as of December 15, 2014 for a ten-year term expiring December 14, 2024; and

WHEREAS, A business entity meeting the requirements of Property Tax Article 9-103 of the Annotated Code of Maryland may benefit from property tax credits if the entity undertakes capital improvements to its property in the Frostburg Enterprise Zone; and a business entity meeting the requirements of General Tax Article 10-702 of the Annotated Code of Maryland may benefit from income tax credits if the entity hires employees for new positions at a property located in the Frostburg Enterprise Zone when the governing body of the City of Frostburg identifies eligible business entities and properties based on staff determination that the business entities have requested certification and are qualified to receive such property tax or income tax credits; and

WHEREAS, The City wishes to take action by resolution at its December 2022 public meeting to identify and certify eligibility of Frostburg Enterprise Zone properties or firms for both property and income tax credits to Allegany County and the State by the end of calendar year 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Frostburg Mayor and Council do hereby certify to Allegany County and the State of Maryland that the attached list of property owners or operating businesses are a) located in the Frostburg Enterprise Zone; b) have met all local Enterprise Zone standards; and c) have either completed - or have indicated a firm commitment to the City to complete – a) a capital investment or b) the hiring of new employees as would trigger a tax credit benefit under the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 9-103 for Part 1, Property Tax Credits, or Section 10-702 for Part 2, Income Tax Credits.

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

Frostburg Mayor and Council

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor

Attest:

Elizabeth Stahlman City Administrator

Frostburg Enterprise Zone Certification List Calendar Year 2022