

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
November 13, 2019

Council & Staff

Barney Rush, Mayor
Cecily Baskir, Vice Mayor
Wicca Davidson, Secretary
Kirk Renaud, Treasurer

Joel Rubin, Intergovernmental & Public Liaison
Todd Hoffman, Town Manager
Ron Bolt, Town Attorney

Residents and Guests

Devin Ellis, 4500 Walsh Street
Jane Root, 4209 Thornapple Street
Steve Goldstein, 4103 Bradley Lane
Mike Lebowitz, 7102 Oakridge Avenue
Deborah Vollmer, 7202 44th Street
Susan Ziemann, 4202 East West Highway
Larry Cynkin, 7209 Maple Avenue
Jen Burton, 4311 Leland Street
Jenny Brilliant, 4422 Ridge Street
Sandy DeCain, 7715 Chatham Road
Andy Berg, 7217 Oakridge Avenue

Shayna Rudick, 4117 Leland Street
Jill Kolakowski, 4115 Aspen Street
Sharon Eldor, 4215 Leland Street
Irene Lane, 4106 Aspen Street
Len Scensny, 4312 Willow Lane
Dedun Ingram, 4312 Willow Lane
Katie Berg, 7217 Oakridge Avenue
Samer Korkor, 4105 Blackthorn Street
Bren Lizzio, 4218 Oakridge Lane
Jeffrey Bingenheimer, 4200 Oakridge Lane

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

At 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office, the Town Council held a work session to discuss Town committee operating procedures and roles and responsibilities. The work session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Call to Order

Mayor Rush called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Baskir moved to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2019 Council Meeting. Councilmember Rubin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

D. Acceptance of Financial Report

Councilmember Renaud presented the October 2019 financial report. The Council discussed and accepted the report.

E. Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Todd Hoffman reported on the initiatives undertaken by staff over the past month.

F. Public Comments

The following residents spoke in support of a dog exercise area in Zimmerman Park and related issues: Steve Goldstein, 4103 Bradley Lane; Devin Ellis, 4500 Walsh Street; Jane Root, 4209 Thornapple Street; Deborah Vollmer, 7202 44th Street; Susan Ziemann, 4202 East West Highway; Larry Cynkin, 7209 Maple Avenue; Jen Burton, 4311 Leland Street; Irene Lane, 4106 Aspen Street; Andy Berg, 7217 Oakridge Avenue; Jenny Brilliant, 4422 Ridge Street; Jeffrey Bingenheimer, 4200 Oakridge Lane; Shayna Rudick, 4117 Leland Street; Max Fainberg, 4403 Stanford Street; and Gabrielle Fontana, 4208 Rosemary Street.

The following resident spoke in opposition to a dog exercise area in Zimmerman Park: Samer Korkor, 4105 Blackthorn Street.

II. COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS

A. Zimmerman Park Amenities & Improvements

The Council discussed Zimmerman Park amenities and improvements. The Council asked the Town Manager to refine cost estimates for a one-month trial of a dog exercise area in Zimmerman Park.

B. ZTA 19-07, Telecommunications Towers – Limited Use

Town Attorney Ron Bolt briefed the Council on a proposed County Zoning Text Amendment regarding the location of telecommunications towers in residential zones.

C. County Code Applicability

The Council deferred discussion of this agenda item.

D. Bethesda Downtown Plan Implementation

The Council discussed Bethesda Downtown Plan implementation, including proposed development on and around the Farm Women's Market site and at 7000 Wisconsin Avenue. The Council agreed to nominate Dedun Ingram to the Bethesda Downtown Implementation Advisory Committee.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

The Council discussed Purple Line mitigation issues and efforts.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Wicca Davidson, Secretary

Transcribed by Todd Hoffman, Town Manager

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