

**City of Brunswick
Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2022**

The November 15, 2022 City of Brunswick Mayor and Council Meeting was convened at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Nathan Brown. The following members and staff were present: Nathan Brown, Mayor; Vaughn Ripley, Brian Sandusky, Andy St. John (present by phone), Chris Vigliotti, Angel White, and Daniel Yochelson, Council Members; Julie Martorana, City Administrator; Jeremy Mose, Assistant City Administrator; Carrie Myers, Director of Administration; John Gerstner, Director of Public Works; Matt Campbell, Director of Utilities, Bruce Dell, Director of Planning; Kevin Grunwell, Chief of Police; and Carmen Hilton, Main Street Manager.

Mayor's Remarks

- Ms. Myers read a proclamation for Municipal Government Works Month.
- Mayor Brown read the following Closed Meeting Announcement:
 - The Brunswick City Council will meet in closed session on November 15, 2022 immediately following their scheduled Mayor and Council Meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to consider a private personnel action, in specific, an employee disciplinary action. The authority to close this meeting is found in Section 3-305(b) of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Approval of Minutes

- Mayor & Council – October 11 & 25, 2022
- Mayor & Council Closed Meeting – October 25, 2022

Mr. Sandusky made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Vigliotti seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

Citizens' Forum

- Harry Polling, Mountain Road – offered comments regarding political units being positioned in parade before veteran units
- Violet Williams, 813 East Potomac Street – offered comments regarding code of conduct of political units in parade
- Leisa Bilyeu , 528 Second Avenue – offered comments about chickens

Introduction and Adoption of Resolutions and Ordinances

- Ordinance 588 – Back Yard Chickens

Mayor Brown discussed the process leading to this ordinance. He stated the ordinance had been vetted in a Council Workshop and two public hearings.

Mr. Yochelson made a motion to approve the ordinance. Mr. Sandusky seconded the motion. Mr. Ripley stated he would be voting against the ordinance and detailed his reasons. Ms. White agreed with Mr. Ripley. Mr. St. John stated the Council should be committed to amending this ordinance as time goes on if it is not working as originally thought.

Motion 4-2, Ripley and White against

Staff Reports

Department Heads provided monthly reports.

Consent Agenda

- Brunswick Crossing Letter of Credit Release – Phase 2B Part 1, Water, Sewer & Storm Drains
- Budget Amendment – Income Taxes - \$88,000

Mr. Sandusky made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Yochelson seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

New Business

- Brunswick Connectivity Feasibility Report Presentation – Century Engineering
Carmen Hilton discussed the process of obtaining this study through a Main Street grant. Michael Pieranunzi from Century Engineering discussed multiple options detailed in the study.

- Frederick Police Department/Brunswick Police Department MOU – K9 Training
This MOU is approved yearly for training of the City’s K9 unit. Mr. Sandusky made a motion to approve the MOU. Mr. Vigliotti seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

- Phase 1 Vista Pointe Development Justification Statement for PUD Overlay (Daugherty)
- Submission of Petition for Annexation for Vista Pointe

Mr. Dell and Dan Fryer, Pleasants Development, discussed this project. The proposed project will include 660 age-restricted housing units, partly built on land already annexed into the City and through an additional annex that would go through the proper process. The land is currently designated for low-density residential housing, which can qualify for priority funding through state-grants.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding approval processes and rolls of the Planning Commission versus Council. Mr. Dell pointed out that the Council was only being asked to approve the PUD Overlay for the Daugherty portion of the property at tonight’s meeting. Mr. Ripley made a motion to approve. Ms. White seconded the motion, which passed 5-1, with Mr. St. John opposed.

- 2023 Municipal Swimming Pool Management Contract

Ms. Myers stated this contract represented an increase of \$4,800 over last year’s due to rising costs of chemicals and lifeguard wages.

Mr. Sandusky made a motion to approve the contract. Mr. Vigliotti seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

- Event Application Approval – City of Brunswick Holiday Parade


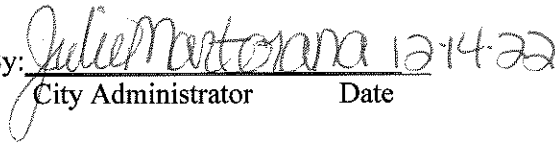
Ms. Myers discussed the event. Staff recommended approval. Mr. Yochelson made a motion to approve the event application. Mr. Sandusky seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

Mr. Sandusky made a motion to close the meeting and enter closed session. Ms. White seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Submitted by: Carrie Myers

Approved By:  12/14/22 Date
 Witnessed By:  12-14-22 Date
 Mayor City Administrator