

**TOWN OF FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS**  
**Mayor and Town Council**  
**Tuesday, September 11, 2018**  
**Worksession**

Attendance: Councilmember Hargrove, Councilmember Ukkundo'Oohwaka, Councilmember Morgan, Councilmember Downing, Councilmember Wood-Dodson, Mayor Martin  
Absent: Councilmember Moreno (Sick)

**Call to Order:** 7:35p.m.

**Prayer** - Councilmember Dodson

**Guests** – from Douglas Development

Letter from Mr. Norman Rivera, Attorney – Douglas Development  
Addison Row

Phase I – First 321 units – 1.90 a foot, 1 bedroom, 779 sq. ft. units - \$1500.00.

2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms 1000 sq. ft. \$2000.00.

3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms 1226 sq. ft. \$2150.00. Will also have a dog park.

Development construction will start by December or January. This is a HUD financed property.

**Code Enforcement Report** – Mr. Pinkney

-Went to court on Wednesday with the residents at 1007 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The court approved the plans, have two cars parked in driveway. The court ruled in our favor for \$1000, for razing property without a permit and working beyond the scope.

-Seventh Day Adventist, they were clearing off lot at 59<sup>th</sup> and Eastern Avenue, clearing the underbrush and breaking up concrete. They put the concrete in the driveway of 703. I sent them a \$1000 citation for dumping illegally.

-Mr. Bussy, DPIE – 1003 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue met with three contractors to get bids to demolish the house. I talked to them a month ago.

-Mrs. Bailey called to find out the status of the property at 1003 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Councilmember Dodson**

- Complaint about big rocks that fly out from neighbor's driveway across the street. Question about whether driveways should have rocks in them?

**Mr. Pinkney** – replied that driveways could either be asphalt or concrete.

**Councilmember Dodson** – questioned the cars parking at stop sign on 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue near the Monument.

**Mr. Pinkney** – said Chief Watkins would have to handle that, cars should be 25 ft. from curb.

**Councilmember Downing** – asked who do I speak to concerning roads in Fairmount Heights?

**Mrs. Sarumi** – said she is the person to talk to about the roads in town, the streets need to be paved instead of patched.

**-Dip and Sons** – 5710 Kolb Street, court granted him an extension.

**Mayor Martin** – asked about Ms. Wong’s hearing.

**Mr. Pinkney**

-Sent all the information to our attorney. The court hearing is on the 27th in Upper Marlboro.

**Town Manager’s Report** – Mrs. Doris Sarumi

Report on file

**Guest – Mr. Rick Gray** – Presentation CTV Production

-Will inform citizens of what is going on in the Town. Any emergencies I could make available in 10 minutes. Everything is updated through Verizon.

Verizon – 11 Channel

Comcast – 19 Channel

76 – Cable access

**Mayor Martin**

-Town Logo, will wait for Councilmember Moreno to present information on that. The Cheapest cost for logo was - \$450.00.

-Letter received from Joseph Smith & Sons for an informative meeting concerning an air quality permit. September 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm at Cheverly Gynasium, 6401 Forest Road in Cheverly.

**Mayor Martin**

-Heal cities and Town campaign

**Councilmember Downing**

-Working with Venus in Capitol Heights, she was instructmental in starting the Heal Program. I’m looking at walkable community entity.

**Mayor Martin**

-Need of a Sergeant at Arms for Town Meetings.

Mayor Martin asked for Consensus from the Council to get Robert Rules of Order Made Simple Video for \$99.00.

Consensus to get the video was not approved by the Council.

**Councilmember Dodson**

-October 31, 2018 Harvest Day, First Baptist will be working with me.

-November 17, 2018 –Thanksgiving Dinner - Bruce Evans and First Baptist Church will be helping.

-May 11, 2019 –Second Saturday of the month - Fairmount Heights Day

**Councilmember Hargrove**

-May 22, 2019 – Memorial Day

-Citizens talked about changing Citizens Corner to Community Highlights – Businesses want to put information in the Newsletter.

**Mayor Martin**

Need Common Consensus vote for the newspaper to go out quarterly or monthly.

Councilmember Downing – Quarterly with consistency

Councilmember Ukkundo’Oohwaka – Abstain want to ask the citizens for survey.

Councilmember Morgan – Quarterly

Mayor Martin – Quarterly

Councilmember Dodson – Quarterly

Councilmember Hargrove – Monthly

Consensus vote from Council Newsletter will go out Quarterly.

**Councilmember Dodson**

Zip Mail would compensate follow-up for other entities and emergencies.

**Councilmember Downing**

**For the Record**

The Council want to be included in the zip mail before it goes out. The Mayor and Council want more engagement prior to zip mail creation and dissemination.

**Councilmember Hargrove**

**For the Record**

I don't do the zip mail.

**Councilmember Downing**

Got confirmation from representative from delegates for Sheriff Road, have a start date for 10/15 for first block of Sheriff Road for Department of Public Works for Prince George's County to start.

-Commemorative Memorial Mural for Wall across the street from Fairmount Heights Park.

-Hill organization and projects, they have walking trails and bike lanes.

**Civic Plus**

**Councilmember Downing** – had a conversation with the gentlemen from Civic Plus. They said we have a rewrite. They have a brand new setup for websites. Asking the Mayor and Council if Councilmember Hargrove and myself can take the rewrite training.

Civic Plus – want to do a presentation for one hour. Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

-56<sup>th</sup> Avenue trees removed that were on power line, Park and Planning cut down the trees. In litigation with Pepco.

**Mayor Martin**

Have people for the Board for Elections, Mrs. Edwards will remain.

Motion to adjourn made by Councilmember Ukkundo'Oohwaka, second by Councilmember Dodson

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 pm

Minutes taken by Mrs. Tucker

Executive Session