

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

REGULAR MEETING (VIA ZOOM MEETING)

MAY 24, 2021

PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT

*President John “Jack” R. Heath
Council Vice-President Muir Boda
Councilwoman Michele Gregory*

*Mayor Jacob R. Day
Councilwoman Angela M. Blake
Councilwoman April Jackson*

IN ATTENDANCE

City Administrator / Acting Mayor Julia Glanz, Deputy City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, Former Mayor Barrie P. Tilghman, Procurement Director Jennifer Miller, Fire Chief John Tull, Deputy Chief James Gladwell, City Attorney Michael Sullivan, City Clerk Kimberly Nichols, members of the press and Public

CITY INVOCATION – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. via a Zoom Meeting. Council President John R. Heath called the meeting to order and called for a moment of silent meditation.

PROCLAMATIONS

• **John Broyhill Day**

City Administrator Julia Glanz presented the proclamation to honor John Broyhill on his 100th birthday on May 3, 2021. A current resident of Florida, Mr. Broyhill was a great voice in the Salisbury community. He managed J.C. Penny Store when it was located on East Main Street, and was an active leader in the community as evidenced by his service on the Salisbury/Wicomico Planning & Zoning Commission, Urban Renewal Committee, United Way, Salvation Army, Parsons Foundation, and Chamber of Commerce.

Former Mayor Barrie P. Tilghman, who served from 1998-2009, was mentored by Mr. Broyhill and remembered him as a force for positive change in Salisbury. She said Mr. Broyhill worked tirelessly to make the City better, kinder, and more equitable for all, and would be extremely honored to receive the honor. His family would treasure the honor and recognition given him for generations to come.

President Heath noted he served as a Rotarian with Mr. Broyhill, who was a professional and a source of inspiration for many people. The honor couldn't be given to a nicer man.

• **Jewish Heritage Month**

Ms. Glanz presented the Jewish American Heritage Month (JAHM) proclamation. JAHM has been observed annually in May since 2006 when President George W. Bush proclaimed a month that would recognize the more than 350-year history of Jewish contributions to America and American culture. Jewish men, women, and children have

throughout history faced anti-Semitic discrimination, persecution, and violence, and sadly continue to face the same today, yet continue to demonstrate the unbreakable spirit that has helped them overcome cruel oppression, suffering, violence, and bigotry.

ADOPTION OF LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the legislative agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA – presented by City Clerk Kimberly Nichols

The Consent Agenda consisting of the following items was unanimously approved on a motion and seconded by Mr. Boda and Ms. Gregory, respectively:

- *April 19, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes*
- *April 19, 2021 Work Session Minutes*
- *April 26, 2021 Legislative Session Minutes*
- *May 3, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes*
- *May 3, 2021 Work Session Minutes*
- *May 10, 2021 Legislative Session Minutes*
- **Resolution No. 3107**- *to approve the reappointment of Joseph Anderson to the Parks and Recreation Committee the term ending July 2024*

AWARD OF BIDS- presented by Procurement Director Jennifer Miller

The Award of Bids, consisting of the following declaration of surplus items, was approved on a motion and seconded by Ms. Jackson and Ms. Blake, respectively:

- *Department of Field Operations- Items: Vehicles (6), Method of disposal: Onsite auction*
- *Salisbury Zoo- Item: Outbuilding, Method of disposal: Demolition*
- *Salisbury Police Department- Item: Duty weapon, Method of disposal: Retirement gift*

ORDINANCES – presented by City Attorney Michael Sullivan

- **Ordinance No. 2664**- *2nd reading- approving a budget amendment of the FY2021 General Fund to appropriate funds for the purchase of software*

Mr. Boda moved and Ms. Jackson seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2664 for second reading.

Ms. Jackson moved to amend Ordinance No. 2664 as read by City Attorney Sullivan. Ms. Gregory seconded, and the vote was unanimous to amend the ordinance as follows:

- *Line 16- strike “and estimated the total cost to City departments in the General Fund to be \$174,000,”*
- *Line 24- strike \$45,000 and insert \$54,616*

- Line 26- strike \$45,000 and insert \$35,384
- Line 28- insert “(c) Decrease Business Development Account No. 11600-534308-200 by \$10,000 and Account No. 11600-555512 by \$6,232.”
- Line 31- insert “(d) Decrease City Council Account No. 11000-555503 by \$3,000.”

Ordinance No. 2664 for second reading, as amended, was approved on a 4-1 vote. President Heath voted “nay.”

- **Ordinance No. 2666**- 2nd reading- to amend Chapter 8.11 of the Salisbury City Code, entitled “The Fire Prevention Code”, for the purpose of adding new permits that are required to be obtained from the Fire Marshal

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2666 for second reading.

- **Ordinance No. 2667**- 2nd reading- to amend Chapter 15.26 of the Salisbury City Code, entitled “Rental Of Residential Premises”, by adding a new section 15.26.045 entitled “Fair Chance Housing”

Ms. Blake moved and Ms. Jackson seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2667 for second reading.

Ms. Jackson moved to amend Ordinance No. 2667 as ready by City Attorney Sullivan. Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was unanimous to amend the ordinance as follow:

- Line 24- strike “have imposed” and insert “, accordingly, HUD has promulgated”
- Line 27- insert “and landlord’s agents” before “creates”
- Line 34- insert “regarding the use of a Background Check Report (as defined herein)” after “disclosure”
- Line 74- insert “for a Dwelling Unit” after “bill”
- Line 78- strike “A” and “and” and insert “Before a Landlord or a Landlord’s Agent may charge an Applicant a fee to apply to Lease or”
- Line 79- insert “Rent a Dwelling Unit, the Landlord or the Landlord’s Agent” and “the” and strike “an”
- Line 80- insert “of a Dwelling Unit” after “Rent”
- Line 81- strike “fair” and insert “far”
- Line 82- insert “and” after “period” and strike “and” after (c)
- Line 83 and 84- strike “before the Landlord or the Landlord’s Agent may charge an Applicant a fee to apply to Lease or Rent.”
- Line 85- strike “also” after “shall” and “on all promotional materials and” after disclose. Insert (a) after “shall”
- Line 86- strike “advertisements related to Renting or Leasing a Dwelling Unit their” and insert “the Landlord’s or Landlord’s”
- Line 87- insert “Agent’s” before “policies” and “on their website(s), after “Report” and strike “and shall”

- Line 88- insert “within their application materials, and at their rental or leasing office(s); and, (b)” before “provide”
- Line 89- strike “in their” and insert “subsection” before “B(1)” and “within the Landlord’s or Landlord’s” after “above”
- Line 90- strike “websites”, “any Rental” and “Leasing”. Insert “Agent’s” before “application”. “website(s)” before “and” and “their rental” after “at”
- Line 91- strike “offices” and insert “leasing office(s).”
- Line 92- strike “and”
- Line 93- strike “they” and “that report” and insert “such Landlord or Landlord’s Agent” before “shall” and “the Background Check” before “of”
- Line 96- strike “3.”

Ordinance No. 2667 for second reading, as amended, was approved by unanimous vote in favor.

- **Ordinance No. 2668**- 1st reading- to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the purpose of accepting grant funds in the amount of \$36,342.89, and to approve a budget amendment to the Grant Fund to appropriate these funds for offsetting COVID-19 expenses

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2668 for first reading.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests for Public Comments.

ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ms. Glanz remarked that it was wonderful to have another 3rd Friday last weekend. There were two terrific events downtown over the weekend with the Lynching Memorial Task Force and the Haitian Development Center Festival. It was exciting that things were picking up.

Mayor Day said it was great seeing so many Council members and staff out over the weekend, and was pleasantly surprised to see former Mayor Barrie Tilghman. Today was his first staff meeting upon returning to the States. It was good to be back. He appreciated the work everyone did during one of the worst things in the country’s history.

Mr. Boda said that everyone should be vaccinated to protect themselves and their families.

Ms. Jackson said that at the last Work Session she spoke about some inspections and asked how often Mitchell Landing was inspected, and how often houses, apartments, and other structures were inspected, and when was the last time Mitchell Landing was inspected. She never received a response and needed answers to the questions. She saw the Council’s picture in Mission Barbeque and requested an updated photo for the building, as the one used was outdated. Stay safe, wear your masks and get vaccinated.


Ms. Blake said the Lynching Memorial Task Force presentation was very moving and well-done. As always, if healthy enough, please donate blood.

Ms. Gregory said that the events over the weekend were amazing. James Yamakawa and Amber Green worked tirelessly on the Lynching Memorial Task Force. If not vaccinated yet, citizens can go to EVO Restaurant, get a vaccine and a free beer. She also wished her husband a Happy 24th Anniversary.

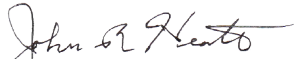
President Heath reminded the public that there was no meeting next Monday and wished everyone a very safe and wonderful Memorial Day. He said he was at all three events over the weekend. The crowd on 3rd Friday was amazing. The Shore was still in a critical state in regards to blood, so please donate blood if healthy enough.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the Legislative Session was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.



City Clerk



Council President