

Town of North Beach Mayor and Town Council Town Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 11, 2023 Location: North Beach Town Hall

Begin: 7:00 PM Adjourn: 8:14 PM

Mayor and Council Attendees:

Mike Benton, Mayor

Gregg Dotson, Councilman

Mary Healey, Councilwoman

Mickey Hummel, Councilman

Lauren Kabler, Councilwoman

Paul Troncone, Councilman - via ZOOM

Ken Wilcox, Councilman

Staff:

Stacy Milor, Town Clerk

Joanne Hunt, Town Treasurer

Donnie Bowen, Public Works Director

Dawn Richardson, Marketing and PR

Rick Crump, Zoning Administrator - Via ZOOM

Phil Ashworth, Waterfront Manager

Agenda

- Public Hearing on the Community Block Grant Program Application Ladies of Charity Calvert County
- Public Hearing on the Town of North Beach FY24 Budgets
- Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Agenda and Minutes
- Scheduled Appointments
- Public Safety Report
- Staff Reports
- Public Comment
- Ordinances and Resolutions
- Business Items
- Mayor and Council Reports
- Adjournment

Public Hearing - Community Block Grant Program Application

 Mayor Benton called the Town of North Beach Public Hearing on the Community Block Grant Program Application to order at 7:01 pm. Joanne Hunt gave an overview of the application for the grant. The Ladies of Charity Calvert County is planning to rebuild its food pantry, currently located at 8823 Dayton Avenue, North Beach, Md. The current pantry is an 80-year-old building with significant structural issues that hamper efficiency and is challenged to meet the growing demand for services. Architectural drawings are currently in progress and funds continue to be raised for this important part of the local community. Based on preliminary drawings, the cost of the project is estimated at \$1,140,000 and the CDBG grant requested is \$740,000. No public comment. The public hearing closed at 7:07 pm.

Public Hearing - Town of North Beach FY24 Budgets

Mayor Benton opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 pm. Joanne Hunt gave an overview of all proposed budgets including the General Fund, Water and Sewer Capital Projects, and the Community Conservation Funds. The entire proposed budget can be found in Board Docs at:
 https://www.northbeachmd.org/minutes-and-agendas. There was no public comment. The public hearing closed at 7:21 pm.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

 The May 2023 Town Council Meeting was called to order at 7:22 pm by Mayor Benton. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Agenda Approval MOTION made by Mickey Hummel to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Ken Wilcox. All in favor. Motion carries.
- Minutes from April 13, 2023, Town Council Meeting MOTION made by Mickey Hummel to approve the minutes as submitted. Seconded by Mary Healey Ken Wilcox abstains due to not being in attendance. MOTION carries.
- Minutes from May 4, 2023, Town Council Work Session MOTION made by Gregg Dotson to approve the minutes as submitted. Seconded by Mary Healey. Lauren Kabler – Abstain Motion carries.

Scheduled Appointments

• CEO of Calvert Health – Jeremy Bradford. Mr. Bradford was in attendance and updated the Council regarding various projects at Calvert Health to include an updated strategic plan, conducting a community needs assessment along with providing information on the Twin Beaches Branch office.

Public Safety Report

• The Public Safety report is located on the Town website under Board Docs.

Staff Report

• All staff reports are located on the Town website under Board Docs. If there are any questions regarding any report, please contact the Department Head.

Public Comment

• There was no public comment.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- Ordinance 23-03: An Ordinance of the Council of North Beach repealing and reenacting Chapter 112 "Water and Sewer Policies, Rules and Regulations relating to the provision of Water and Sewer Services and provide for the adoption by resolution of Water and Sewer manual containing policies, rules, and regulations relating to such services and to provide for fines and penalties relating to non-compliance with the terms thereof. MOTION made by Ken Wilcox to pass Ordinance 23-03 as presented. Seconded by Gregg Dotson. All in favor. Motion carries.
- **Resolution 23-01:** A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of The Town of North Beach, Maryland, adopting a Water and Sewer Manual, setting forth the Town's Policies, Rules, and Regulations relating to the provisions of Water and Sewer Services. **MOTION** made by Mickey Hummel to pass Resolution as presented. Seconded by Lauren Kabler. All in favor. **Motion carries.**
- Ordinance 23-04: An Ordinance of the Council of North Beach amending the Code of the Town of North Beach, Chapter 69 "Licensing", Article I "General Provisions" to amend Town of North Beach Business License Requirements and Procedures. MOTION made by Greg Dotson to pass Ordinance 23-04 as presented. Seconded by Kew Wilcox. All in favor. Motion carries.
- Ordinance 23-05: An Ordinance Amending North Beach Code, Chapter 69 "Licensing" Article II "Rental Licenses, 69-14 "License Required" to establish a new timeline within which to obtain a Rental Inspection and to Amend 69-16 "Inspections" to incorporate the requirements of Maryland's reduction of Lead Risk in Housing Law. MOTION made by Mickey Hummel to pass Ordinance 23-05 as presented. Seconded by Mary Healey. All in favor. Motion carries.
- **Resolution 23-02**: A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of North Beach, Maryland to apply for a grant under the Maryland Community Development Block Grant Program for the construction of the Ladies of Charity of Calvert County Food Pantry. **MOTION** made by Ken Wilcox to pass Resolution 23-02 as submitted. Seconded by Mickey Hummel. All in favor. **Motion carries**.
- **Resolution 23-03:** A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of North Beach, Maryland to adopt the Community Development Block Grant Guide for Citizen Participation Plan. **MOTION** was made by Lauren Kabler to pass Resolution 23-03 as presented. All in favor. **Motion carries.**
- **Resolution 23-04:** A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of North Beach, Maryland to adopt the Community Development Block Grant Guide for Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan.

- MOTION made by Gregg Dotson to pass Resolution 23-04 as submitted. Seconded by Mickey Hummel. All in favor. Motion carries.
- Ordinance 23-06: An Ordinance adopting operation budgets for the General Fund, Water Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Community Conservation Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024 (FY2024).
 MOTION was made by Mickey Hummel to introduce Ordinance 23-06 as submitted. Seconded by Lauren Kabler. All in favor. Motion carries.

Business Items

• No Business Items

Mayor and Council Reports

- Mayor Benton thanked everyone for their patience at tonight's meeting. There are a lot of activities in Town right now to welcome visitors to our Town. Downstairs in our lobby, we have a banner from our time during COVID. This banner hung on the outside of Town Hall during the pandemic. Mayor Benton is inviting all residents to come in and sign the banner.
- Mickey Hummel Thanked everybody for coming out. I want to thank Phil and the Waterfront Staff for assisting with the Community Clean Up day.
- Mary Healey Thanked everyone for attending tonight. Remind everyone the Spring Resident Guide has been produced. There is a lot of good information for everyone. Several residents have contacted me regarding their high-water bills. I advised them to contact public works which has a great system in place to check water meters.
- Lauren I am looking forward to wearing flip-flop summer here in North Beach. A notice went out today for the Dragon Boat Race and Team North Beach. Urging the community and staff who would like to participate, please sign up. The Town purchases a nice lunch for everyone.
- Ken Wilcox Thanked everyone for coming out. I had a great time stepping in for Mayor Benton during the tree planting honoring Bill Poole. There was a very nice pin oak planted. Yes, please sign up for the Dragon Boat Team.
- Gregg Dotson Thanked everyone for coming out tonight. The 90-day, 2022 session concluded at midnight Tuesday. The Maryland Municipal League is a non-partisan organization that assists municipalities obtain assistance from legislators. The Legislative Committee went over 294 bills this session. MML's number one priority this year was the Police Accountability Board and charging committees. That bill did not move in legislation. The league will continue to advocate or Police Accountability.

Adjournment

• **MOTION** was made by Kew Wilcox to close the meeting at 8:14 pm. Seconded by Gregg Dotson. All in favor. **Meeting closes.**

Respectfully submitted:	
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Stacy Milor, Town Clerk	Mike Benton, Mayor