

COUNCIL MEETING

August 13, 2024

7:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hampstead was held at Hampstead Town Hall, 1034 South Carroll Street, on Tuesday, August 13, 2024. Mayor Nevin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following Council Members were present: Ms. Barrett, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Painter, Mr. Unglesbee, and Mr. Zolman. Staff members present were: Town Manager Jim Roark, Public Works Superintendent Kevin Hann, and Chief of Police Dave Snyder.

Guests present were: Marlene Duff and Dawn Crockett.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Mr. Unglesbee made a motion to approve the Public Hearing minutes and Town Council Meeting minutes of July 9, 2024. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed with five votes for, no votes against and no abstentions.

REPORTS:

All reports were made.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marlene Duff expressed concerns about the Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project and whether the meetings being held and the public comments recorded would have any effect on the outcome of the plan to construct power lines. Mayor Nevin stated that he was optimistic that Carroll, Frederick, and Baltimore Counties all expressing opposition could have an impact on the decision-making process. Council Member Painter added that she had heard that Harford County has pushed back, and the plans were changed due to their input. Mr. Roark added that he did not feel that the Public Service Commission would just rubber stamp the project because they created the website and the email address for the public to express their concerns.

Dawn Crockett shared her gratitude for the Town addressing the issues that citizens had expressed during the last few Council Meetings, including the trucks using Mott Avenue and the CSX railroad crossing repairs.

Council Member Painter added that she was glad to see the Hampstead Fire Company had a successful carnival on the nights that the weather cooperated. Ms. Crockett added that she was also

pleased to see that local restaurants helped to raise money to make up for the nights when the carnival could not open.

Council Member Thomas thanked the Hampstead Main Street Partnership for their hard work in cleaning up trash on Main Street. He added that he had a camera installed on his home that can capture video of tractor trailers who are using Mott Avenue. Mayor Nevin added that we are working with the dealership, but the drivers not reading the posted sign continue to be an issue.

Mr. Thomas made **a motion to adjourn the meeting**. Ms. Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed with five votes for, no votes against and no abstentions.

ATTEST

MAYOR