

**City of Aberdeen Council Meeting
December 20, 2010**

Present: Mayor Bennett, Councilman Garner, Councilwoman Landbeck,
and Councilwoman Young

Absent: Councilwoman Elliott

Also Present: Douglas Miller, City Manager
Phyllis Grover, Director of Planning and Community Development
Matthew Lapinsky, Director of Public Works
Henry Trabert, Chief of Police
Opiribo Jack, Director of Finance
Monica Correll, City Clerk

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Mayor acknowledged the deaths of retired Aberdeen Police Department (APD) Assistant Chief, Kenneth Travers and Aberdeen Fire Department lifetime member, Merritt Harrison. The prayer was led by Pastor Robert Clipp of Grace United Methodist Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Garner.

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilwoman Young to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2010 meeting as submitted.

The motion passed with a vote of 4 – yes, 1 – absent.

The Mayor delayed presentations to the end of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

1. Resolution No. 10-R-18, Lee Annexation Plan (For Introduction)

Mayor Bennett introduced Resolution No. 10-R-18, Lee Annexation Plan.

BUSINESS OF THE CITY:

1. Unfinished Business – None
2. New Business – None
3. Business from the Director of Planning & Community Development – None

4. Business from the Chief of Police - None
5. Business from the Director of Finance - None
6. Business from the Director of Public Works

a) Bid No. 11-01, New Unused Inclining Platform Type Trailer

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Garner to approve Bid No. 11-01 from Advanced Metal Working Company, Kewanee, IL, in the amount of \$13,265.70 for the purchase of a New, Unused Inclining Platform Type Trailer.

The motion passed with a vote of 4 – yes, 1 – absent.

b) Bid No. 11-02, New Unused Current Production Model 4WD Dump Body Truck with Snow Plow

A motion was made by Councilwoman Landbeck and seconded by Councilman Garner to approve Bid No. 11-02 from Chesapeake Ford Truck Sales, Baltimore, MD, in the amount of \$67,053.00 for the purchase of a New, Unused Current Production Model 4WD Dump Body Truck with Snow Plow.

The motion passed with a vote of 4 – yes, 1 – absent.

7. Business from the City Manager - None

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:

1. Business from the City Council

The Council members extended Season's Greetings and discussed their activities including the December 4, 2010 Christmas Street Parade and the Army Alliance Dinner. The Council acknowledged the recent deaths and accomplishments of former Assistant Police Chief, Kenneth Travers; Fire Department lifetime member, Merritt Harrison; and Aberdeen Jaycee President, Michael Ritondo. David Malkowski was thanked for helping the City during his tenure at Maryland Department of Transportation (MDE) State Highway Administration (SHA).

2. Business from the Mayor

The Mayor, who is President-Elect of the Maryland Municipal League (MML), explained the legislative priorities MML wishes to convey to legislators at the Maryland General Assembly in 2011. The first is to convince the legislators to return some of the monies from the State cuts of highway user revenues (90%) and State aid for police protection (35%). The second is to allow Harford County to impose a hotel tax which will enable Aberdeen to fund

infrastructure needs, repairs, and maintenance to include the City-owned Ripken Stadium, the number one tourist attraction in Harford County.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Proclamation in Recognition of David Malkowski, Maryland State Highway Administration

Mayor Bennett and Councilman Garner recognized David Malkowski with a proclamation and presented him a memento for his service to the State and to the citizens of Aberdeen. The Mayor proclaimed December 20, 2010 as “David Malkowski Day” in the City of Aberdeen.

2. Appearance & Preservation, Most Beautiful Yard Awards, Mrs. Mary Law

Mayor Bennett and Mrs. Mary Law, Appearance and Preservation Chairperson, recognized Pearlis and Minnie Finney of 337 Palm Street and Charles and Ethel Weaver, of 25 Baker Street for their home beautification work.

3. Appearance & Preservation Committee, Christmas Street Parade Awards by Caroline Curry

Youth Category

Students Against Destructive Decisions	Float, 1 st Place
Cub Scout Pack 820	Float, 2 nd Place
Cub Scout Pack 961	Window, 1 st Place and Float, 3 rd Place (tie)
Harford Young Marines	Float, 3 rd Place (tie)
Girl Scout Community 76	Walking, 2 nd Place
Havre de Grace Rec Cheerleaders	Walking, 3 rd Place
Karing for Kids Learning Center	Walking, 1 st Place and Windows, 3 rd Place (tie)
Girl Scout Troops 909 and 1993	Windows, 3 rd Place (tie)
George Lisby Hillsdale Elementary	Windows, 2 nd Place

Adult Category

A Greyhound’s Wish	Walking, 1 st Place
Aberdeen Lioness Lions	Walking, 2 nd Place
Aberdeen Lions	Walking, 3 rd Place
The Krueger Family	Window, 1 st Place
Aberdeen Room	Window, 2 nd Place
Aberdeen Heritage Trust	Window, 3 rd Place

Youth/Adult Category

Aberdeen Moose	Float, 1 st Place
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Float, 2 nd Place

Business Category

Scoops Corner Café & Deli	Window, 1 st Place
Harford Acupuncture	Window, 2 nd Place

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting: Monday, January 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
Cookie reception after this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mayor Bennett and seconded by Councilwoman Young to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous agreement the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.