

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 28, 2005 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NO. 05-19

The regular Council meeting of the Town of Sykesville was held on November 28, 2005. Jonathan Herman, Mayor of the Town of Sykesville, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room at the Town House. Mayor Herman, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence.

**PRESENT:** Edward Cinkole                      Debby S. Ellis                      Jeannie M. Nichols  
Mark Rychwalski                      Russell G. Vreeland

**ABSENT:** Eugene E. Johnson, Sr.

**STAFF:** Matthew H. Candland, Town Manager    John R. Williams, Jr., Chief of Police

### **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Mayor Herman called for additions to the agenda.

-Matthew Candland	Business	Budget Amendment
-Jonathan Herman	Business	Commissioners Districts
-Kari Greenwalt	Business	GateHouse Museum

**BUSINESS:**    **GateHouse Museum** – Kari Greenwalt, GateHouse Museum Director, reported that museum is almost ready to be reopened and will be having a formal reopening on Sunday, December 11, 2005, between 1 and 6 p.m. and invited the Mayor and Council to stop in.

There was some additional discussion in this regard including painting, chimney and rain gutter repairs, termite damage, and the Annual WWII Dinner/Dance.

**Sykesville & Patapsco Railway – Annual Report** – Mark Bennett, S&P Railway, presented a brief review of the Caboose & Pullman car. He reported that visitors & donations are down this year. He feels the decrease is due to the rained-out Fall Festival, and no Train Festival. He updated the Council on the renovations to the Caboose & Pullman car and modifications to the train displays. He stated that the S&P Railway will be conducting the next Train Festival on the first weekend in June 2006 and that he and Joe Moltz are co-chairs for this festival. He also stated they are ready for the annual Holiday Open House, and Santa will be in the Caboose.

**Public Safety Report – Chief Williams** – Chief Williams presented the Public Safety Report for review. There was some additional discussion regarding the creamery building fire.

**Route 32 Intersection – Update** – Ron Esworthy, Public Works Director, presented an update on the progress of the Route 32 Intersection construction.

**Water/Sewer Line Replacement Request** – Matthew Candland presented a first draft letter to the Carroll County Commissioners requesting the "...County look into replacing the water and sewer lines on Main Street and Springfield Avenue as soon as possible."

There was additional discussion regarding "Reverse 9-1-1".

After discussion, it was decided this was a reasonable request and the Council directed Matthew Candland to move forward with the letter as presented.

**Warfield Complex – Construction Sign** – This item was continued to the next council meeting.

**Budget Amendment** – Councilmember Rychwalski presented a proposed Budget Amendment for consideration by the Mayor & Council and reviewed the process the Budget committee used to make their recommendations and highlighted the significant changes.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Vreeland motioned to introduce the proposed Budget Amendment as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioners Districts** – Mayor Herman reviewed the 'Commissioners Districts' and stated that, while the Town has endorsed "Option 2", he would like to formally adopt the MML Resolution to adopt "Option 2", and send a letter to Senator Allan Kittleman expressing this position.

Mayor Herman asked for comments from the Council in this regard.

There was some additional discussion in this regard.

Mayor Herman stated he has a drafted resolution in this regard that he will bring to the next Council meeting.

**OTHER:** **Carroll Chapter of MML Dinner Meeting – Olde World Catering in Hampstead, Thursday, December 1, 2005. Cash Bar at 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m.** Matthew Candland stated this as a reminder. He stated attendees will be himself and Councilmembers Vreeland, Nichols and Rychwalski.

**Christmas Open House, Saturday, December 3. Santa arrives at 6 p.m.** – Matthew Candland stated this as a reminder.

**MOTION TO RECESS:** Councilmember Vreeland motioned to take a short recess at 8:15 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Ellis motioned to close the session at 8:22 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

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Those in attendance were: Mayor Herman, Councilmembers Ellis, Cinkole, Vreeland, Nichols, and Rychwalski, Matthew Candland, Chief Williams, Dennis Hoover, and Laura Lindberg.

Items discussed were: Howard County Fire Department, Police Personnel, Baldwins/ADA, Gossage Property, Park N Ride at Warfield, Warfield Developer.

**REOPEN SESSION**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Ellis motioned to reopen the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rychwalski motioned to approve the Resolution regarding the Cable TV Commission organization as a 501(c)(3).

The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Ellis motioned to adjourn at 9:22 p.m.

Laura L. Lindberg  
Clerk/Treasurer

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