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MINUTES

Mayor and City Council of Cumberland
City Hall Council Chambers
Room 212
6:15 P.M.

DATE 8/1/2017

***Pledge of Allegiance**

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brian K. Grim, President; Council Members Seth Bernard, David Caporale, Richard Cioni, Eugene Frazier

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey D. Rhodes, City Administrator; Michael S. Cohen, City Solicitor; Donald Dunn, Fire Chief; Sgt. Charles Ternent, CPD; Marjorie Woodring, City Clerk

II. CERTIFICATES, AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

(A) Presentation of the Sue Cerutti Historic Preservation Awards to the Downtown Development Commission, with the Allegany Arts Council and Canal Place Preservation & Development Authority as partners, for the 2016 Downtown Cumberland Public Art projects

Kathy McKenney, Community Development Programs Manager, discussed that the goal of the Historic Preservation Award was to recognize projects that were extra good examples of historic renovations. She shared eligibility requirements and advised that in 2008 the award had been renamed in honor of Sue Cerutti.

Hank Bullamore, Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission, reviewed this year's winning project, which represented a collective effort of the DDC, the Allegany Arts Council, the Canal Place Preservation & Development Authority, and a number of individual property owners in the downtown. The project allowed for the installation of four "Welcome to Downtown Cumberland" murals on buildings in the downtown. He recognized the property owners of 157 Baltimore Street, 42 Baltimore Street, 18-22 Mechanic Street, and the CPPDA. Sandi Saville, Chairwoman of the DDC, and Jennifer Light, Executive Director of the DDC, accepted the award as project representatives.

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(A) Police

1. Police Department monthly report for June, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to approve the report was made by Bernard, seconded by Caporale, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Public Works

1. Maintenance Division monthly report for June, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to approve the report was made by Bernard, seconded by Caporale, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) Routine

1. Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2017 and June 6, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bernard, seconded by Caporale, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS

(A) Orders (Consent Agenda)

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes reviewed each item on the Consent Agenda and Mayor Grim called for questions or comments. Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-4 was made by Bernard, seconded by Caporale, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

1. Order authorizing the Chief of Police to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Allegany County Sheriff's Office on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland to equally share overtime funding received through a GOCCP Grant entitled "Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland"

Item Action: Approved

ORDER NO. 26,165

2. Order authorizing Special Taxing District Residential Exemptions for 50-52 N. Centre St., 2017/18 taxes - $295.94; 43-45 N. Liberty St., 2017/18 taxes - $199.96; 47 Baltimore Street 2017/18 taxes - $399.67; 45 N. Centre Street 2017/18 taxes - $528.28

Item Action: Approved

ORDER NO. 26,166

3. Order declaring a 1994 Ford Truck (Vin No. 1FTHF36HORNA00564) to be surplus equipment and authorizing it for sale or trade-in

Item Action: Approved

ORDER NO. 26,167

4. Order authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a GOCCP grant entitled “Community Program” in

the amount of $10,400.00 for police overtime to conduct neighborhood foot and bike patrols and attend community events

Item Action: Approved

ORDER NO. 26,168

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person

Kenneth Wilmot, 513 Fort Avenue, expressed concerns with the property tax increase. He stated the City gave CDBG funding to the animal shelter and Councilman Cioni supported giving the shelter another $5,000. He questioned why the City was giving money to a County function when it didn't have funding for services. Councilman Cioni stated the program he supported provided a low-cost way to address feral cats in neighborhoods.

Paul Notarianni 819 Fayette Street, stated he was concerned over the residential taxes going up by 10%. He questioned why, when residents were being asked to pay more, the Council had abated the taxes owed by the Cumberland Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) for properties they owned on Maryland Avenue. He also questioned how much had been abated. Mr. Rhodes advised that the CEDC received most of its funding from the City and requiring the CEDC to pay taxes would be like requiring the City to pay its own water bill. Mr. Notarianni stated that there seemed to be a veil of transparency with regard to the CEDC and Mr. Rhodes provided assurance that there was transparency and he would get those numbers to him the following day. Mr. Notarianni was also directed to the on-line version of the agenda which contained this information.

Councilman Cioni recognized Mike Love who had taken it upon himself to clean up and transform a gateway area of the city and thanked him for his efforts.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Minutes approved on September 5, 2017

Brian K. Grim, Mayor

ATTEST: Marjorie A. Woodring, City Clerk

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description

Presentation of the Sue Cerutti Historic Preservation Awards to the Downtown Development Commission, with the Allegany Arts Council and Canal Place Preservation & Development Authority as partners, for the 2016 Downtown Cumberland Public Art projects

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description
Police Department monthly report for June, 2017

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

City of Cumberland Department of Police

Monthly Report

June 2017

City of Cumberland Department of Police

Monthly Report

June 2017

Part 1 Crimes for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
Aggravated Assaults	11	10	B & E (All)	26	21	Murder	0	0	Rape	0	0
Robbery	7	5	Theft - Felony	6	3	Theft - Vehicle	1	1			

Selected Criminal Complaints for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
Theft - Misdemeanor	35	39	Theft - Petty	47	36	Domestic Assaults	18	36	CDS	82	96
Disturbances	198	208	DOP/Vandalism	35	39	Indecent Exposure	6	2	Sex Off - Other	6	3
Suicide	0	0	Suicide - Attmpt.	0	1	Tampering M/V	0	0	Abuse - Child	4	6
Trespassing	28	18	Assault on Police	5	4	Assault Other	40	58			

Selected Miscellenous Incidents for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
Alcohol Volations	11	7	Juvenile Compl.	30	14	Missing Persons	18	11	School Resource	7	11
School Threat	0	0	Sex Off. Regist.	25	13	Truancy	2	0	Death Investigation	7	2

Selected Traffic Incidents for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
DWI	8	16	Hit & Run	23	21	M/V Crash	81	74	Traffic Stop	439	351

Selected Service Calls for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
Alarms	44	74	Assist Motorist	41	42	Check Well-Being	128	153	Foot Patrol	25	56
Assist Other Agency	63	68	Bike Patrol	2	10	Special Events	13	12	Suspicious Activity	87	98

Arrests Totals for the Month

	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017
M/V Citations	84	56	M/V Warnings	334	287	Adult Criminal	174	158	JV Criminal Arrests	18	25

	2016	2017
Total Incidents Reported :	**2,260**	**2,410**

Charles Hinnant - Chief of Police

CUMBERLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

JUNE 2017

SWORN PERSONNEL: 49 SWORN OFFICERS

Administration	6 officers
Squad 1A	9 officers
Squad 1B	9 officers
Squad 2A	8 officers
Squad 2B	9 officers
C3I/C3IN	5 officers
School Resource	2 officers
Light Duty Administration	1 officer

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES: 7 full time, 7 part time

CPD Office Associate	1 full time
CPD Records Clerk	1 full time
Safe Streets Coordinator	1 full time*
CPD Crime Analyst	1 full time*
CPD Drug Coordinator	1 full time*
CPD Maintenance	1 part time
C3I Office Associate	1 full time
C3IN Office Associate	1 part time**
C3I Office Associate	1 part time **
MPA Supervisor	1 part time
Parking Meter Supervisor	1 full time
Parking Enforcement	2 part time
MPA Garage Attendants	2 part time
Code Enforcement	2 part time

* = Grant funded ** = Shared costs with other agencies

LEAVE REPORT

VACATION TAKEN: 1345 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 9,723 HOURS

COMP TIME USED: 216 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 2,967 HOURS

SICK TIME USED: 132 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 2,944 HOURS

OVERTIME REPORT

OVERTIME WORKED: 289 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 3,921 HOURS

HOSPITAL SECURITY: 81 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 1,411 HOURS

COURT TIME WORKED: 80 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/16): 995 HOURS

TRAINING REPORT

24 OFFICERS TRAINED FOR 482 HOURS — YEAR TO DATE (beginning 7/1/15) 8,711 HOURS

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description
Maintenance Division monthly report for June, 2017

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

MAINTENANCE DIVISION REPORT
June 2017

Street Maintenance Report

Parks & Recreation Maintenance Report

Fleet Maintenance Report

PUBLIC WORKS/MAINTENANCE
STREET BRANCH
MONTHLY REPORT
JUNE 2017

- POTHOLES AND COMPLAINTS
  - Potholed 12 Streets and 2 Alleys using 17 tons of HMA.

- UTILITY HOLE REPAIR
  - Completed 20 Water Utility Hole Repairs using 19 CY of concrete and 40 tons of HMA.

- TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS/STREET NAME SIGNS
  - Installed/Repaired 15 Traffic Control Signs.
  - Installed/Repaired 1 Street Name Sign.
  - Installed 2 and Removed 1 HC Signs.

- STREET SWEEPING
  - Swept 584 curb miles (approx. 152 cubic yards of debris).
  - Hauled 49 tons of sweeper dumps to landfill.

- MISCELLANOUS
  - Completed 14 Service Request.
  - Cleaned the Baltimore Street underpass 3 times.
  - Brush and tree work 9 days.
  - Repaired ditches on Blackiston Ave. with 4 ton of Rip Rap and 8.5 tons of HMA.
  - Set up traffic control for Heritage Days.

STREET MAINTENANCE - JUNE 2017		6/1-6/3	6/4-6/10	6/11-6/17	6/18-6/24	6/25-6/30	TOTAL
SERVICE REQUEST COMPLETED			1	4	1	8	14
PAVING PERFORMED	TONS						0
CONCRETE WORK	CY						0
UTILITY HOLES REPAIRED	WATER	1	1	8	6	4	20
	SEWER				1		1
	CY	1.00	11.00	6.25	0.50	0.50	19
	TONS			14.0	16.0	10.0	40
POTHOLES FILLED	STREETS	1	1	4	1	5	12
	ALLEYS				1	1	2
	DAYS						0
	Cold Mix						0
	TONS	2.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	6.0	17
PERMANENT PATCH	CY						0
	TONS						0
COMPLAINTS COMPLETED							0
	CY						0
	TONS						0
TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS REPAIRED/INSTALLED			11	4			15
STREET NAME SIGNS REPAIRED/INSTALLED			1				1
HANDICAPPED SIGNS REPAIRED/INSTALLED/REMOVED							0
			2				2
				1			1
PAINTING PERFORMED	BLUE		2				2
	YELLOW						0
	RED			2			2
PAVEMENT MARKINGS INSTALLED	No.						0
STREET CLEANING	LOADS		13	12	13		38
	MILES		175	195	214		584
SWEEPER DUMPS HAULED TO LANDFILL	TONS		26.9		21.9		49
SALT BARRELLS - PICK UP	DAYS						0
CLEANED BALTIMORE ST. UNDERPASS				1	1	1	3
CLEAN SNOW EQUIPMENT	Days						0
BRUSH REMOVAL/TREE WORK	Days	1	3	1	1	3	9
Check Drains/Clean Debris	DAYS						0
LEAF PICK UP	Loads						0

1) Blackiston Ditch
   4.15 ton of Rip Rap 6/1
   2 ton of HMA for shoulder 6/2
   1.5 ton of HMA for shoulder 6/5
   5 ton of HMA for Shoulder 6/6
2) Delivered 75 Cones to YMCA 6/1
3) Flagged for Greg Snyder/PE 6/2
4) Installed Road Closure Signs for Hunt Terr 6/2
5) Traffic Control for Heritage Days 6/9/17
   Worked OT for Heritage Days 6/10 & 6/11
   Clean up traffic control from Heritage Days 6/12
6) Traffic Control for Fireworks 6/30/17

PUBLIC WORKS/MAINTENANCE
PARKS & RECREATION
MONTHLY REPORT
JUNE 2017

- Constitution Park
  - Cleaned up garbage, bathrooms and pavilions 3 time/week.
  - Cut grass in Park and Long Field.

- Mason Complex
  - Cleaned up garbage 3 time/week.
  - Lined Fields as per schedule.
  - Cut grass.

- Abrams, Cavanaugh and JC
  - Cleaned up garbage and bathrooms 3 time/week.
  - Cut grass.
  - Maintained and lined Abrams, JC and Cavanaugh Fields as per schedule.

- Miscellaneous Work
  - Continue to maintain, cut grass and pick up garbage at Playgrounds, Parklets and other areas.

Parks and Recreation

Field Work

June 2017

	Line	Spike	Drag	General Cleanup Prior to Season
Flynn	13	1	4	
Nonnennmann	10		2	
Northcraft	13		3	
Bowers				
Galaxy	3			
United				
Nonnennmann SF				
Bowers FB				
Tigers Practice				
Long	16		4	
Cavanaugh	11	1	2	
JC	7		1	
Abrams	16		4	

Parks and Recreation Department

Grass Cutting

June 2017

LOCATION		DATES CUT
Fairmont		June 14
Ridgedale		June 14
Springdale		June 7, 15, 21, 29
Mason		June 2, 6, 13, 14, 20, 26, 27
Park		June 1, 2, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28
Long		June 6, 13, 20, 26
Cavanaugh		June 6, 13, 20, 27
Smith Park		June 7, 15, 27
Vets Park		June 7, 14, 21, 29
Pine Ave		June 8, 15, 22, 29
JC		June 6, 13, 20, 27
Valley St Parklet		June 13, 20
Abrams		June 6, 13, 20, 26
Washington HQ		June 7, 14, 21, 29
Sundial		June 7, 14, 29
Lucys Park		June 20
MCS		June
Evitts Creek		June
Boat Ramp		June 15
Mullen		June
14 Somerville in Rear		June
Old HRDC		June 15
Rolling Mills Parklet		June 8
Goethe		June
Pistol Range		June 2, 20
Pear St.		June 13, 20
Louisiana Ave. (Hartley's)		June 8, 21
224-226 Cecelia St.		June 8, 27
404/406, 414 Park St.		June 8, 27
513, 529 Maryland Ave.		June 8, 27
Emily St, Dead End		

Parks and Recreation Department
Miscellaneous Work
June 2017
Continued to get pool ready for June 9th opening
Purchased and placed new garbage cans for Bowers bathrooms (6/6/17)
Delivered and picked up chairs for YMCA (6/2/17 & 6/5/17)
Cleaned up garbage from fishing rodeo (6/3/17)
Worked “Grease” movie/car show (6/3/17)
Worked concert in the park (6/3/17)
Water Department cleaned up the area along the pool (6/6/17)
Put baby pool pumps back together (6/14/17)
Worked inside building at Cavanaugh (6/19/17 & 6/23/17)
Movie at the Pool OT (6/21/17)
Concert in the Park OT (6/22/17)
Prepared Park for fireworks

Fleet Maintenance
June 2017

Total Fleet Maintenance Projects	**93**
Street Maintenance	9
Snow Removal	4
DDC	0
CPD	29
Water Distribution	8
P & R Maintenance	7
CFD	8
Sewer	5
Code Enforcement	0
Flood	2
PIP	0
WWTP	0
Engineering	1
Facility Maintenance	0
Fleet Maintenance	0
Central Services	4
Municipal Parking	0
Public Works	1
Water Filtration	0
Small Engine Repairs	0
Scheduled Preventive Maintenance	10
Field Service Calls	5
Total Work Orders Submitted	**30**
Risk Management Claims	**0**
Fork Lift Inspections	**0**

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description
Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2017 and June 6, 2017

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

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MINUTES

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND
City Hall Council Chambers
Room 212
6:15 p.m.

DATE: 5/23/17

***Pledge of Allegiance**

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brian K. Grim, President; Council Members Seth Bernard, David Caporale, Richard J. Cioni, Eugene Frazier

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey D. Rhodes, City Administrator; Michael S. Cohen, City Solicitor; Donald Dunn, Fire Chief; Sgt. Charles Ternent, CPD; Marjorie Woodring, City Clerk

Mayor Grim recognized Mr. Mark Widmyer, Western Maryland Representative to the Office of the Governor, who was in attendance.

II. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(A) Public Works

1. Utilities Division & Central Services Monthly Report for April, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to approve the report was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(A) Public Hearing to receive comment on the City's proposal to adopt a real property tax rate of $1.0595 per $100 of assessment

Mayor Grim convened the Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m.

Mr. Rhodes discussed the purpose of the Constant Yield Tax Rate and advised that the City was required by state law to hold this public hearing to take public input on the proposal to increase the current rate of $0.9654 by 9.75%, which was 9.67% higher than the constant

yield rate of $0.9661. The increase would generate $807,500 in additional property tax revenues.

Mayor Grim opened the floor to public comment and the following individuals spoke.

Lawrence Becker, 801 Piedmont Avenue, Cumberland, stated he had reviewed a copy of the budget and disagreed with the proposal to raise taxes. He pointed out various line items of the budget that he felt could be easily reduced such as contractual services, telephones, training, and vehicle maintenance. He further suggested that consolidation of services should be investigated.

Don Fischer, 536 N. Centre Street, Cumberland, urged the Mayor and Council to postpone any property tax increase until next year and rely on the cash-on-hand to continue operations. He suggested postponing capital expenditures and increase transfers from the water and sewer funds to close the gap.

Tom Hawk, 778 MacDonald Terrace, Cumberland, spoke in support of the tax increase. He stated the property tax rates have not kept pace with inflation over the time period where the rate has remained stable. He encouraged Council to reflect inflation as a serious consideration annually as the property tax rate was reviewed.

Mary Beth Pirolozzi, 506 Regina Avenue, Cumberland, spoke against the tax rate and urged Council to address the structural deficit of the budget. She discussed that the City could ill-afford the additional negative factor that would be created by an increased tax rate and suggested that the departments cut another 5%, furlough days be considered, the filling of certain positions be fully considered, health insurance premiums be increased, and collaboration of services with the County be explored.

Ms. Steward, 426 Pine Avenue, Cumberland, spoke against the tax increase. She discussed that too many people were leaving Cumberland and raising taxes would not help the situation.

With no further comments being offered, Mayor Grim adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

(A) Ordinances

1. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds to the Community Development Administration (CDA) of the State of Maryland in the amount not to exceed $1,200,000, to be known as **"Mayor and City Council of Cumberland Infrastructure Bonds, 2017 Series A,"** to finance or refinance the purchase of IT improvements, equipment and software, vehicles and equipment including heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, to fund a portion of the capital reserve fund, and to pay costs related to the bonds

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes discussed the proposed Ordinance that would allow the City to borrow money for capital improvement needs through the Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program supported by the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA). He reviewed associated debt service and noted key items to be funded, which included new vehicles for the Police Department, a Vac Truck, software upgrades, and new dump trucks.

FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Orders (Consent Agenda)

Mr. Rhodes reviewed each item on the Consent Agenda prior to vote and Mayor Grim called for questions or comments. Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-5 was made by Caporale, seconded by Frazier, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

1. Order authorizing the abatement of utility charges in the amount of $201.08 for City-owned property located at 32 Virginia Avenue

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,135

2. Order authorizing a Contract of Sale with Andrew Miller and Lisa C. Miller for the City's purchase of 606 Maryland Avenue for $40,000; authorizing acceptance of the deed providing settlement contingencies are met; authorizing extension of the closing date for 60 days if necessary; and authorizing the City Administrator and City Solicitor to execute all documentation

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,136

3. Order authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement with Pirates Charities to provide $10,000 in matching grant funds to support the Al Abrams Field Improvements Project through the Fields for Kids Matching Grant Program. Matching funds have been pledged to be donated to this project by WCBC Radio.

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,137

   Mary Clites, representatives from WCBC Radio, advised that Marty White, Chief Engineer at WCBC, had recently attended a seminar at which the "Fields For Kids" grant was discussed and WCBC worked with the City of Cumberland and the Dapper Dan Club to complete the grant application for improvements at Al Abrams Field. Ms. Clites also acknowledged Kathy McKenney, Community Development Programs Manager, and Diane Johnson, Director of Parks and Recreation, for their work on the application. Ms. Clites further stated that WCBC has pledged to help raise matching funds for the grant and cash donations were already coming into the station.

   Sean Fradiska, representative of the Dapper Dan Club, introduced players who were in attendance, including Caedon Wallace, Anthony Burns, Braden Puffenberger, Brent Puffenberger, Gerrit Puffenberger, Max Fradiska, Will Moran, and coaches Chuck Moral and Matt Puffenberger.

4. Order declaring a 2006 TYMCO 435 / Isuzu Sweeper (Vin No. JALE5816467902199) to be surplus equipment and authorizing it for sale or trade-in

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,138

5. Order authorizing execution of a Concession License Agreement with Christopher Reuschel for the exclusive operation of the Concession Area at Constitution Park Pool for the 2017 Summer Season

for the sum of $800.00

Item Action: Approved

ORDER NO. 26,139

(C) Letters, Petitions

1. Letter from MD Department of Natural Resources advising that the City's request for $120,000 in funding through the Community Parks and Playground Program to build the Cumberland and Allegany College Softball Field has been included in the FY18 Maryland Capital Budget, pending final approval by the MD Board of Public Works

The letter was acknowledged and entered into public record.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person

Mayor Grim commented in response to those who opposed the tax rate increase, stating that no raising taxes also meant not being able to fund needs and improvements for ballfields, streets, etc. He stated he felt the City was at a breaking point. He thanked WCBC for their assistance in obtaining the grant for the ballfield improvements at Al Abrams Field. He acknowledged the partnership with Allegany College for creation of the new softball field at the college and advised that the College would handle maintenance of the field. Additionally, he stated that the Maryland Avenue site had been targeted for redevelopment and there was interest from a developer in the property.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes approved on _____

Mayor Brian K. Grim _____

ATTEST: Marjorie A. Woodring, City Clerk _____

MAYOR
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MINUTES

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND
City Hall Council Chambers
Room 212
6:15 p.m.

DATE: 6/6/17

***Pledge of Allegiance**

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brian K. Grim, President; Council Members Seth Bernard, David Caporale, Richard J. Cioni, Eugene Frazier

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey D. Rhodes, City Administrator; Michael S. Cohen, City Solicitor; Ken Tressler, City Comptroller; Donald Dunn, Fire Chief; Charles Hinnant, Chief of Police; Marjorie Woodring, City Clerk

II. PROCLAMATIONS

(A) Proclaiming Tuesday, August 1, 2017 as National Night Out in Cumberland

Mayor Grim read the proclamation and presented it to Terri Hast, who accepted on behalf of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission.

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(A) Administrative Services

1. Administrative Services monthly report for April, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to accept the report was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Public Works

1. Engineering Division Capital Projects and Program Projects monthly report for May, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to accept the report was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) Routine

1. Approval of the Town Hall Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2017 and the Public Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2017

Item Action: Approved

Motion to accept the minutes was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Administrative / Executive

1. Summary Statement of the Closed Session held June 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Grim announced that a Closed Session had been held on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. and read into the record a summary of that session, which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes as required under Section 3-306(c)(2) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(A) Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bond debt not to exceed $1,200,000 in aggregate principal amount to be issued under the MD Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program and known as **"Mayor and City Council of Cumberland Infrastructure Bonds, 2017 Series A,"**to finance or refinance the purchase of IT improvements, equipment and software, vehicles and equipment including heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, to fund a portion of the capital reserve fund, and to pay costs related to the bonds

Mayor Grim convened the Public Hearing at 6:25 p.m.

Mr. Rhodes advised that an Ordinance was being proposed to authorize the City to borrow money for capital improvement needs through the Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program supported by the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA). He provided a breakdown of the amount to be financed and noted key items that would be funded, which included new vehicles for the Police Department, a new Vac truck, software upgrades for the Water Plant, Wastewater Filtration Plant, SCADA system, and tax/utility billing, and 3 new dump trucks.

Mayor Grim opened the floor to public comment.

Mary Beth Pirolozzi, 506 Regina Avenue, raised questions regarding the software upgrades. She stated that during the course of the FY18 budget discussions, it had been stated that the area of tax and utility was a consideration for consolidation with County services and asked whether those discussions had taken place. Being advised that no discussion had taken place recently, Ms. Pirolozzi recommended that these costs be pulled from the financing and held for further consideration.

Mr. Tressler advised that only $85,000 of the $201,911 cost reflected for software upgrades was attributable to the tax/utility software upgrade. He stated that the current software was 18 years old and staff was anxious to make the upgrade. Upon further questioning from Ms. Pirolozzi, he noted that the upgrade was not expected to happen until September, therefore there was time to speak with the County about a possible consolidation of those services.

With no further comment offered, Mayor Grim adjourned the public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(A) Ordinances

1. Ordinance *(2nd and 3rd readings)* - providing for the issuance and sale of general obligation bond debt not to exceed $1,200,000 in aggregate principal amount to be issued under the MD Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program and known as **"Mayor and City Council of Cumberland Infrastructure Bonds, 2017 Series A,"** to finance or refinance the purchase of IT improvements, equipment and software, vehicles and equipment including heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, to fund a portion of the capital reserve fund, and to pay costs related to the bonds

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes advised that the proposed Ordinance would authorize the City to borrow money for capital improvement needs through the Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program supported by the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA). The borrowing would finance the purchase of IT improvements and vehicles and equipment, including heaving equipment.

SECOND READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its second reading. The reading was interrupted and motion to suspend the second reading and move to the third after comment was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

Mayor Grim called for questions or comments.

Councilman Frazier stated that he would like staff to make sure that there is follow-up with the County on the possibility of combining the tax and utility billing services with the County as was promised during discussion with Ms. Pirolozzi, to determine whether any cost savings were possible.

With no further comments, the Ordinance proceeded to its final reading.

THIRD READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its third reading and was approved on a vote of 5-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 3820

VII. NEW BUSINESS

(A) Ordinances

Prior to the introduction of the budget Ordinances, Councilman Bernard read a prepared statement regarding the proposed tax increase and issues regarding the steps the City has taken to address the budget deficit. The statement is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Councilman Cioni discussed aspects of collaboration between the City and the County, noting that is takes both sides to form a collaboration. He stated staff had provided several options for addressing the budget deficit and Council had chosen to take the less painful of those options. Changes were being addressed in employee health care. A report had also been generated and was available to the public which detailed staff reductions that had occurred over the past 10-15 years. Cioni stated that at this point, the City needed to move the next year's budget forward.

Councilman Frazier stated that he would voice his objections at the next scheduled public meeting.

1. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the City Tax Levy for FY 2018; Real Estate = 1.0595 per $100 of assessed value / Personal Property = 2.648 per $100 of assessed value

   Item Action: Approved

   Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Ordinance and provided detail on the revenues to be generated based on the new tax rates along with other expected revenues for FY18. The total tax levy, other revenue and restricted fund balance totaled $34,148,396.

   FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the reading and table until the next meeting was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 4-1 with Frazier voting "no."

2. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the annual appropriation for the FY18 General Fund

   Item Action: Approved

   Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Ordinance and provided a breakdown of the General Fund accounts, noting that public safety absorbed the greatest percentage. The total General Fund appropriation for FY18 was $34,029,466.

   FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading and table for two weeks was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

3. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the annual appropriation for the FY18 Water Fund

   Item Action: Approved

   Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Ordinance and provided a breakdown of the Water Fund appropriations, which totaled $8,486,071 for FY18.

   FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading and table for two weeks was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

4. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the annual appropriate for the FY18 Sewer Fund

   Item Action: Approved

   Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Ordinance and provided a breakdown of the Sewer Fund appropriations, which totaled $25,380,625 for FY18.

   FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading and table for two weeks was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

5. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing for the annual appropriation for the FY18 Special Purpose Funds

   Item Action: Approved

   Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Ordinance and provided a breakdown of the Special Purpose Fund appropriations, which totaled $6,955,278 for FY18.

FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading and table for two weeks was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

6. Ordinance *(1st reading)* - providing that no levy of a special ad valorem tax in the Shades Lane Development District be imposed for FY18

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes advised that the special ad valorem tax for the Shades Lane District was set each year to pay the debt service incurred on the project. As the debt service was almost paid off, no special tax was needed this year.

FIRST READING: The Ordinance was presented in title only for its first reading. Motion to approve the first reading and table for two weeks was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

(B) Resolutions

1. Resolution approving an application to the MD DHCD for up to $6,000 in grant funding to support a shopping and dining brochure guide project for the Main Street District in partnership with the Downtown Development Commission (DDC) and the Main Street Program.

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes reviewed the Resolution and Mayor Grim called for questions or comments.

Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Caporale, seconded by Cioni, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. R2017-06

2. Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of two separate series of General Obligation Bonds designed **"Mayor and City Council of Cumberland Taxable Redevelopment and Pension Contribution Refunding Bonds of 2017"** and **"Mayor and City Council of Cumberland Tax-Exempt Public Improvement Refunding Bonds of 2017"**

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes advised that the refunding bonds would address debt obligations that will be refinanced for approximately $700,000 in projected savings over the next couple of years. The City's financial experts monitor the rates and when the situation is right, recommend that the City refinance for a lower interest rate. The cost savings to be realized from this refunding is a necessary part of the current budget process.

The Resolution was presented in title only and Mayor Grim called for questions or comments.

Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. R2017-07

3. Resolution supporting the Housing Authority of the City of Cumberland's application for $365,700 in Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund financing for the demolition and redevelopment of targeted properties within the community

Item Action: Approved

Mr. Rhodes presented a list of twelve (12) properties the City had acquired, some of which were demolished and others which would be demolished through the Housing Authority's program. He stated the partnership with the Housing Authority provided a good opportunity to reinvigorate neighborhoods with newer housing and infill development.

Steve Kesner, Executive Director of the Cumberland Housing Authority, discussed several new projects being undertaken by the Authority. Up to $8 million in funding had been received from HUD for improvements to Fort Cumberland Homes and JFK Apartments through a Rental Assistance Demonstration Project (RAD), which was a project-based Section 8 program. Funding was also expected to be received for Jane Frazier Village and Queen City Towers. Within the next 2-3 years, all public housing would be newly converted and moved into the RAD program.

Mr. Kesner advised that the Cumberland Neighborhood Advisory Commission would be closing its doors and the Housing Authority would be taking in CNHS and continuing their programs. The building at 400 N. Mechanic Street would be returning to the City of Cumberland. In addition, the Housing Authority would be expanding their operations and would now be known as Cumberland Housing, Inc., with Mr. Kesner serving as the Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Kesner stated that the RAD program would lower the population in the high rises, therefore there would be need to build new housing elsewhere in the community. He discussed details of the Cumberland Housing Revitalization Program, which would be a partnership of 4 agencies, including the City of Cumberland through their contribution of 12 blighted properties. CNHS would provide funding for a revolving construction fund, Cumberland Housing, Inc. would provide project management, and the State grant would provide grant funding. The goal of the program would be to develop mixed use housing in four (4) different neighborhoods across the city. Up to 50% would be targeted for household incomes of 120% of the median income or less and the remaining would be market rate. The total project cost was expected to be $893,910.

Upon questioning from Council, Mr. Kesner noted that the intent was not to have renters in the properties and it was hoped the program would help clean up targeted neighborhoods. He stated the Maryland Avenue area was ripe for workforce housing and the Rolling Mill Project was a main factor in Fort Cumberland Homes being selected as early as it was for renovation.

Mr. Kesner stated he was asking for the Mayor and Council's support of the grant request, and if the grant should be awarded, for the City to transfer the targeted properties to Cumberland Housing, Inc.

The Resolution was presented in title only and Mayor Grim called for questions or comments.

Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. R2017-08

(C) Orders (Consent Agenda)

Mr. Rhodes reviewed each item on the Consent Agenda and Mayor Grim called for

questions or comments.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-6 was made by Caporale, seconded by Bernard, and was passed on a vote of 5-0.

1. Order authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a GOCCP Sex Offender Compliance and Enforcement in Maryland Grant titled "Monitoring Sex Offender Compliance" for FY18 in the amount of $20,800 to provide personnel, operating, and equipment support to confirm sex offenders are living where they are reporting and other ordered conditions

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,140

2. Order authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 to the current contract with Shaffer Construction for the Cavanaugh Ball Field Renovations (01-17-RE) in the increased amount of $18,500.00, bringing the new contract total to an amount not to exceed $77,240

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,141

3. Order accepting the Sole Source proposal of Gwin, Dobson & Foreman, Inc. for Water Filtration Plant (WFP) & Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Facility Evaluations in the estimated not-to-exceed cost of $133,600

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,142

4. Order authorizing the City Administrator to execute FY18 Employment Agreements for part-time employees

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,143

5. Order authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the MD Department of Housing and Community Development for the administration of the federally funded Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,144

6. Order approving a STAR District Tax Incentive Application for 302 N. Centre Street, owned by Arnold D'Epagnier, to provide a 7-year property tax assessment freeze beginning with the 2012 tax year based on an investment of 14.5% of the 2012 pre-improvement value of the property

   Item Action: Approved

   ORDER NO. 26,145

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person

Tamar Clarke, 811 Memorial Avenue, Cumberland, urged the Mayor and Council to abolish the process

of adding fluoride to the City's water system. She provided research materials to Council, spoke on the negative health effects caused by fluoride, and discussed that there was too much regulation coming out of the federal government on this issue.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes approved on _____

Mayor Brian K. Grim _____

ATTEST: Marjorie A. Woodring, City Clerk _____

Mayor and City Council of Cumberland

Closed Session Summary

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall

On Tuesday, June 6, 2017, the Mayor and City Council met in closed session at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room of City Hall to discuss personnel moves.

Persons in attendance included Mayor Brian Grim; Council Members, Seth Bernard, David Caporale, Richard Cioni, and Eugene Frazier; City Administrator Jeff Rhodes, City Solicitor Mike Cohen, and City Clerk Marjorie Woodring.

On a motion made by Seth Bernard and seconded by Rock Cioni, Council voted 5-0 to close the session. No actions were voted upon and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Authority to close the session was provided by the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Sections 3-305 (b) (1).

Brian K. Grim, Mayor

Entered into the public record on JUN - 6 2017

Councilman Bernard Comments

There are many moving parts to running a city - of which, I am still learning every day. A decision made decades ago can unexpectedly affect the decisions in our present. I am serving on Council at a time when we currently find ourselves in a situation that requires extremely careful, thoughtful deliberation. But a good challenge is why I'm here; it's why all of us are here.

Over the last several months, since Council had become aware of the deficit, we asked our City Comptroller to take every conceivable avenue in reducing the initially proposed tax increase as much as possible, without crippling us in the long-term. We went from a proposed 20% increase down to less than half that number, through refinancing the debt, employee attrition, and 5% cuts across the board. In the end, there was no easy decision to make – but that doesn't mean a smart decision, and a needed decision, do not exist.

Looking to the immediate future, we on council are keenly aware of the long-term decisions that need to occur so this does not happen again. For example, evaluating employee health insurance, as well as collaboration with the County in regards to services, plus a much-needed discussion about the City/County tax differential, are currently being set in motion. A new thought process must be formed among us here on Council over the immediate future, when it comes to our relationship with the County, if we are going to be as successful as we, at all levels of local government, strive to be. But sadly, the City can only do so much, and it will absolutely require the County to be willing partners.

What if we implemented an additional 5% decrease across the board in cuts? This would most certainly result in lay-offs, particularly in the biggest area of expense in the General Fund, Public Safety, and that is something I cannot support. What about combining roles, to further decrease our payroll? This has already been done. We currently have an over-burdened staff, where many individuals are doing the jobs several people used to preform, including our very own City Administrator.

There are other issues to consider, as well, when looking at additional cuts, such as the fact that any City's budget includes estimates. If we continue to cut, there will certainly be a need for overage requests in the next year. For example, it is impossible to know exact equipment repairs and maintenance; snow removal; heath care increases; legal services; worker's comp claims, etc, etc… In other words, if we were to cut an additional 5%, we would only be setting ourselves up for failure. We simply have no more fat to cut, only muscle

I truly respect the opinion of those opposed to any sort of tax increase, because NO ONE wants to pay more, but the fact of the matter is, property values have decreased in the last 5 years, in turn, causes taxes to decrease with them. But the good news is, I believe Cumberland is now focused, more than it ever has been, on growing our tax base through bold economic development initiatives and neighborhood redevelopment. Once complete, Rolling Mill, alone, has the potential to generate an additional 17 million in tax revenue.

Unfortunately, the decision to both make moderate cuts, as well as a moderate tax increase will not make everyone happy, but I believe this middle-of-the-road approach is the smartest option that currently exists. Furthermore, I, along with everyone else on Council, are serious about re-examining this current increase next year, as we hope a decrease will be a viable option in the months to come.

JUN - 6 2017

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description

Order authorizing the Chief of Police to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Allegany County Sheriff's Office on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland to equally share overtime funding received through a GOCCP Grant entitled "Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland"

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

- ORDER -

of the

Mayor and City Council of Cumberland

MARYLAND

ORDER NO. _____ **DATE: ___August 1, 2017_____**

ORDERED, By the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, Maryland

THAT, the Chief of Police be and is hereby authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Allegany County Sheriff's Department, on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, to equally share funding received through a GOCCP grant entitled "Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland" for the purpose of funding overtime pay for CPD and ACSO officers to conduct sex offender compliance checks within Allegany County, Maryland; and

BE IF FURTHER ORDERED THAT, this Memorandum is retroactively effective July 1, 2017 through and including June 30, 2018, and shall automatically renew each succeeding year grant funding is received, unless either party provides the other with no less than thirty (30) days advanced notice.

_____

Brian K. Grim, Mayor

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

(Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland Grant)

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("Memorandum") is made and executed this ____ day of August, 2017, by and between the **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND BY AND THROUGH THE CUMBERLAND CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT** ("CPD") and the **ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** ("ACSO").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the CPD is the recipient of a grant (the "Grant") entitled "Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland" through the Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention ("GOCCP");

WHEREAS, the Grant was provided for the purpose of funding overtime pay for CPD and ACSO officers to conduct sex offender compliance checks within Allegany County, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to equally share the funding received through the Grant.

WITNESSETH:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby expressly acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties, each with full legal capacity and authority, do hereby agree as follows:

1. **Recitals.** The Recitals set forth above are not merely prefatory. They are incorporated by reference herein and form a part of this Memorandum.

2. **Overtime for Sex Offender Compliance Checks**. The CPD Chief of Police and the Sheriff for the ACSO, or their respective designees, shall determine the dates and times the sex offender compliance checks are made, it being understood that each agency shall be allocated 50% of the Grant funding.

3. **Duration & Availability of GOCCP Funds for Overtime.** The funding for overtime shall be available for compliance checks conducted through, but no later than, June 30, 2018.

4. **Invoicing.** The overtime amounts shall be invoiced to the CPD on a quarterly basis for the compliance checks completed, ending September 30th, December 31st, March 31st, and June 30th. Invoices shall be remitted no later than five (5) business days after the end of the applicable quarter and they shall be directed to:

   City of Cumberland
   Office of the Comptroller
   57 N. Liberty Street
   Cumberland, MD 21502

5. **Overtime Reimbursement.** The overtime amounts will be reimbursed to the ACSO by the City of Cumberland Finance Department from the Sex Offender Compliance in Maryland grant funds upon its receipt of grant monies expended in each respective quarter.

6. **Term.** This Memorandum shall be in effect from July 1, 2017 through and including June 30, 2018 and shall automatically renew each succeeding year grant funding is received, unless either party provides the other with no less than thirty (30) days advanced notice prior to the then current term that it does not wish to renew this Memorandum.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum as of the date and year first written on the first page hereof.

CUMBERLAND CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

By: _____
Charles H. Hinnant, Chief

ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

By: _____
Craig A. Robertson, Sheriff

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description

Order authorizing Special Taxing District Residential Exemptions for 50-52 N. Centre St., 2017/18 taxes - $295.94; 43-45 N. Liberty St., 2017/18 taxes - $199.96; 47 Baltimore Street 2017/18 taxes - $399.67; 45 N. Centre Street 2017/18 taxes - $528.28

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

- Order -

of the

Mayor and City Council of Cumberland

MARYLAND

ORDER NO. _____ **DATE: July 25, 2017**

ORDERED, By the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, Maryland

THAT, the following Residential Exemptions from the Special Taxing District Levy for 2017-2018 tax years be and are hereby granted:

Property / Owner	Tax Year / Account No.	Total Tax Due	Exemption Amt.
50-52 N. Centre St./Humbertson	2017-2018 Tax No. 14005781	$ 295.95	$ 295.94
43-45 N. Liberty St./Humbertson	2017-2018 Tax No. 14005773	$ 199.95	$ 199.96
47 Baltimore St/ Chevez	2017-2018 Tax No. 04023226	$ 811.46	$ 399.67
45 N. Centre St./Rhee	2017-2018 Tax No. 14003207	$ 528.27	$ 528.28

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that these exemptions are hereby granted pursuant to the provisions of Section 235 of the City Charter.

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Brian K. Grim, Mayor

City of Cumberland
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION

Tax Year 7/01/2017 - 6/30/2018

I, Robert J. CHEVEZ request an exemption from the Special Taxing District Levy for property owned by me at: 47 BALTIMORE ST.

My request is based upon the fact that:

✓ ***Residential*** - this property, or portion thereof, is occupied and used by the owner for his or her residence;

_____ ***Industrial*** - this property, or portion thereof, is used solely for light manufacturing purposes, and qualifies for a similar exemption according to the tax provisions of Allegany County, Maryland.

If only part of the property is used for an exempt purpose, designate the percentage so used:

Residential 1/3 %

Industrial _____ %

As to approved applications, the exemption shall be granted for all fiscal years falling within the calendar year preceding the date of the submission of the application for the exemption.

Signed: Robert J. Chevez

Date: 7/24/2017

For City use

Tax Account No: _____

	Assessed Amount	Tax Amount
Original	265600	1211.14
Exempt	87648	399.67
Billable	177952	811.46

APPLIES TO REAL ESTATE TAXES ONLY

1. To pay semi-annual, fold and tear off the right portion of the tax bill (Coupon #2) and pay before September 30. Retain the second coupon to return with the second payment on or before December 31.

Prior year taxes due?..... .....SEE HERE

2. To select annual payment schedule, fold tax bill and discard the semi-annual coupons

A return check charge of $35.00 will be assessed on every bill that is paid with a check that is returned by the bank or other financial institution on which it is drawn.

Failure to receive a bill does not excuse the payment of taxes, interest and penalty. It is my property owner's responsibility to assure a bill for payment is received. Legal action to enforce payment of taxes will be commenced against the property on which taxes have been paid. years

If prior year taxes due, any payments received will be applied to the oldest year due

For additional tax information lift the bottom panel

To Pay by Credit Card

When paying in person, please present the entire bill

TAX YEAR 7/01/2017-

Account Number	04023226	Assessment Detailed	Act
Tax Description		Rate	Act
Special Tx		.4560	1
BILL# 172060003 INT. & PENALTY STARTS 10/01/2017 2% PER MONTH			
Account Number	04023226	Total Tax	1

CHEVEZ ROBERT J SR-ROSARIO
47 BALTIMORE ST
23X105

Oct. and beyond includes interest

ANNUAL PAYMENT AMOUNTS		COUPON #2 AMOUNTS	COUPON
Jul	1,211.14	********	**
Aug	1,211.14	********	**
Sep	1,211.14	********	**
Oct	1,235.36	********	**
Nov	1,259.58	********	**
Dec	1,283.80	********	**
Jan	1,308.02	********	**
Feb	1,332.24	********	**
Mar	1,356.46	********	**
Apr	1,380.68	********	**
May	1,404.90	********	**
Jun	1,429.12	********	**

LIFT INFORMATION LIFT THIS AT

WHEN PAYING IN PERSON, PRESENT THE ENTIRE

TAX YEAR 7/01/2017-6/30/18

CITY OF CUMBERLAND
57 N. LIBERTY STREET
CUMBERLAND, MD 21502
Make Checks Payable to:
MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

Tax Description	Rate	Amount
Special Tx	.4560	1,211.14
BILL# 172060003 INT. & PENALTY STARTS 10/01/2017 2% PER MONTH		
	Total Tax	1,211.14

and beyond

Account	04023226	Assessment Detailed	265,600

PAY THIS AMOUNT			
Jul	1,211.14	Jan	1,308.02
Aug	1,211.14	Feb	1,332.24
Sep	1,211.14	Mar	1,356.46
Oct	1,235.36	Apr	1,380.68
Nov	1,259.58	May	1,404.90
Dec	1,283.80	Jun	1,429.12

ACCOUNT# 04023226
CHEVEZ ROBERT J SR-ROSARIO

SEMI-ANNUAL PAYMENT COUPON

TAX YEAR 7/01/2017-6/30/18

CITY OF CUMBERLAND
57 N. LIBERTY STREET
CUMBERLAND, MD 21502
Make Checks Payable to:
MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

PAY THIS AMOUNT	
Dec	********
Jan	********
Feb	********
Mar	********
Apr	********
May	********
Jun	********

ACCOUNT# 04023226
CHEVEZ ROBERT J SR-ROSARIO

SEMI-ANNUAL PAYMENT COUPON

TAX YEAR 7/01/2017-6

CITY OF CUMBERLAND
57 N. LIBERTY STREET
CUMBERLAND, MD 21502
Make Checks Payable to:
MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

PAY THIS AMOUNT	
Jul	***
Aug	***
Sep	***
Oct	***
Nov	***
Dec	***

ACCOUNT# 04023226
CHEVEZ ROBERT J SR-R

City of Cumberland
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION

Tax Year 07/01/2017 - 06/30/2018

I, William Humberston request an exemption from the Special Taxing District Levy for property owned by me at: 50-52 N Centre Street

My request is based upon the fact that:

✓ ***Residential*** - this property, or portion thereof, is occupied and used by the owner for his or her residence;

_____ ***Industrial*** - this property, or portion thereof, is used solely for light manufacturing purposes, and qualifies for a similar exemption according to the tax provisions of Allegany County, Maryland.

If only part of the property is used for an exempt purpose, designate the percentage so used:

Residential 50 %

Industrial _____ %

As to approved applications, the exemption shall be granted for all fiscal years falling within the calendar year preceding the date of the submission of the application for the exemption.

Signed: Will Humberston

Date: 07-18-17

For City use

Tax Account No: 14 005781

	Assessed Amount	Tax Amount
Original	129800	591.89
Exempt	64900	295.94
Billable	64900	295.95

City of Cumberland
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION

Tax Year 07/01/2017 - 06/30/2018

I, William Humberson request an exemption from the Special Taxing District Levy for property owned by me at: 43-45 N Liberty Street

My request is based upon the fact that:

✓ ***Residential*** - this property, or portion thereof, is occupied and used by the owner for his or her residence;

_____ ***Industrial*** - this property, or portion thereof, is used solely for light manufacturing purposes, and qualifies for a similar exemption according to the tax provisions of Allegany County, Maryland.

If only part of the property is used for an exempt purpose, designate the percentage so used:

Residential 50 %

Industrial _____%

As to approved applications, the exemption shall be granted for all fiscal years falling within the calendar year preceding the date of the submission of the application for the exemption.

Signed: Will Humberson

Date: 07-18-17

For City use

Tax Account No: 14005773

	Assessed Amount	Tax Amount
Original	87700	399.91
Exempt	43850	199.96
Billable	43850	199.95

City of Cumberland
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION

Tax Year 7/01/2017 - 6/30/2018

I, DANIEL RHEE request an exemption from the Special Taxing District Levy for property owned by me at: 45 N CENTRE STREET

My request is based upon the fact that:

✓ ***Residential*** - this property, or portion thereof, is occupied and used by the owner for his or her residence;

_____ ***Industrial*** - this property, or portion thereof, is used solely for light manufacturing purposes, and qualifies for a similar exemption according to the tax provisions of Allegany County, Maryland.

If only part of the property is used for an exempt purpose, designate the percentage so used:

Residential 50 %

Industrial _____ %

As to approved applications, the exemption shall be granted for all fiscal years falling within the calendar year preceding the date of the submission of the application for the exemption.

Signed: [signature]

Date: 07-18-17

For City use

Tax Account No: 14003207

	Assessed Amount	Tax Amount
Original	231700	1056.55
Exempt	115850	528.28
Billable	115850	528.27

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description
Order declaring a 1994 Ford Truck (Vin No. 1FTHF36HORNA00564) to be surplus equipment and authorizing it for sale or trade-in

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation
This vehicle has outlived its useful life and will be sold as surplus equipment.

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)

Source of Funding (if applicable)

- ORDER -

of the

Mayor and City Council of Cumberland

MARYLAND

ORDER NO. _____ **DATE: _August 1, 2017__**

ORDERED, By the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, Maryland

THAT, the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland is the record owner of a certain vehicle that has been determined to be of no further value to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to dispose of said vehicle;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND, THAT the following vehicle is hereby declared to be surplus property and authorized for sale or trade-in:

1) 1994 Ford Truck

VIN No. 1FTHF36HORNA00564

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Mayor Brian K. Grim

Regular Council Agenda
August 1, 2017

Description
Order authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a GOCCP grant entitled “Community Program” in the amount of $10,400.00 for police overtime to conduct neighborhood foot and bike patrols and attend community events

Approval, Acceptance / Recommendation

☐ Budgeted

☐ 1st Reading
☐ 2nd Reading
☐ 3rd Reading

Value of Award (if applicable)
$10,400.00

Source of Funding (if applicable)
CGPF-2018-0003

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MARYLAND

ORDER NO. _____ **DATE:** August 1, 2017

ORDERED, By the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, Maryland

THAT the Chief of Police be and is hereby authorized to accept a GOCCP Grant for FY18 entitled "Community Program" in the amount of Ten Thousand, Four Hundred Dollars and No Cents ($10,400.00) for the period 7/1/17 to 6/30/18, providing increased law enforcement attendance at community events, heightened police presence in the community through foot and bike patrols, and overtime support.

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Brian K. Grim, Mayor

Grant: CGPF-2018-0003