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MEETING OF THE CITY OF RIVERDALE
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MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018 | 6:00 PM**

The Honorable Mayor Evelyn Wynn Dixon

The Honorable Cynthia Stamps-Jones
The Honorable Wanda Wallace

The Honorable An’cel Davis
The Honorable Kenneth Ruffin

City Manager:
City Clerk:
City Attorney:

E. Scott Wood
Sylvia Vaughan
L’Erin Wiggins

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:** By the Honorable Mayor Pro-Tem Wanda Wallace.
- 2. ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:** All Member of Council were present which constituted a quorum. Mayor Winn- Dixon arrived late.

Attendee’s Name	Title	Absent	Present
Evelyn Wynn-Dixon	Mayor, At-Large		x
Cynthia Stamps-Jones	Council Member, Ward 1		x
An’cel Davis	Council Member, Ward 2		x
Wanda Wallace	Council Member, Ward 3 Mayor Pro-Tem		x
Kenneth Ruffin	Council Member, Ward 4 Parliamentarian		x

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

A consensus was made by the Board to approve the agenda as presented with the following additions and deletions:

Additions: Discussion by Mayor Wynn-Dixon regarding FOX 5 News report.

Deletions: (None)

4. PRESENTATIONS: (3 minute time limit)

- Land Donation - Bankers Walk- Mr. George Glaze
(Mr. Glaze was unavailable to attend the meeting)
- Utopian Academy - Mr. Artesius Miller thanked Council Member Stamp-Jones for the great work that is being done by the city. He also spoke about the Black History Program. Mr. Miller asked for space and accommodation to have the Black History Program in the gym located in the Riverdale Town Center. Several students spoke on the behalf of Utopian Academy. Mr. Miller asked if the city would support the school and allow them to host the event.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS:

Council Member Stamp-Jones thanked Mr. Artesius and the students for coming and asked the Board to support them.

Council Member Davis asked about the date and the size of the room. Mr. Miller responded that he would need the room in March and he is requesting the gym.

Council Member Wallace spoke about considering other citizens regarding the room rental.

Council Member Ruffin stated spoke about how he worked with the Youth Program and explained that he donated his own personal funds to support the children. He also stated that others should commit to supporting this event.

Council Member Wallace asked if any funds would be provided from the school to support the event. Mr. Miller responded no! However, he is willing to pay the difference in donations received from the Board.

City Attorney Wiggins stated that a motion should be made in the Business Session Meeting, including the rate amount of \$1,000.00 and any donations provided by Board.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: E. SCOTT WOOD (A written report was provided in advance to the board).

Chief Spivey stated that Code Enforcement is doing an extra detail every month, of code enforcement duties. He also stated that the information would be listed on the website. Chief Spivey explained that (6) businesses had damaged signs. He also spoke about the illegal dumping at Family Dollar; as well as, someone is taking advantage of the dumping site next to Dollar Tree. Because of these reoccurring events, businesses are having to go to court for violations that they are not responsible for.

General Manager Bennie Rose spoke about several issues in the city. These issues consist of the following:

- Excessive littering

- Large pot-holes
 - A busted phone pole by the Liquor store
- These are safety hazards; however, G-Dot has been contacted. General Manager Bennie Rose also stated that the General Service Department is addressing these concerns.

Council Member Stamp-Jones stated that the dumping was not an issue until the donation bins were placed in the following locations:

- Walmart
- Dollar Tree
- Kroger parking lot.

Council Member Davis thanked Mr. Wood and Mr. Bennie for assisting him with his concerns.

Council Member Wallace stated she has spoken about this issue for many years and that Business Owners and Citizens should get involved.

Mr. Wood spoke about the project at Taylor Road Fire Station and Stations Fire and Smoke Alarm System.

Attorney Wiggins state that items numbers 7, 8, 9, 10, were discussed in the City Manager's report.

Council Member Stamps-Jones asked about the Fox 5 Report that was to be provided by the Mayor Wynn-Dixon. Attorney Wiggins responded that the city managers contract is very broad regarding the use of city vehicles.

Mayor Wynn-Dixon asked Attorney Wiggins to send her conformation regarding the contract.

5. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: L'ERIN BARNES WIGGINS

The City Attorney's report was provided in the Executive Session.

6. DISCUSSION TO USE THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM AS A DONATION FOR UTOPIAN ACADEMY/ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY EVENT - COUNCIL MEMBER STAMPS-JONES

Council Member Stamp-Jones stated that the purpose of this item is for the Board to assist with the donation for Utopian Academy to use the multipurpose room.

7. DISCUSSION TO ACCEPT LAND DONATION- BANKERS WALK/ RESOLUTION NO. 12

(This item was discussed in the City Manager's report.)

**8. DISCUSSION TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR FIRE STATION NO. 2/
RESOLUTION NO. 13**

(This item was discussed in the City Manager's report.)

**9. DISCUSSION OF BID AWARD - EMC SECURITY/RESOLUTION
NO. 14**

City Manager stated that the purpose of this item is to award a bid to EMC Security in the amount of \$32,435.40.

**10. DISCUSSION OF BID AWARD- TYCO SIMPLEX
GRINNEL / RESOLUTION NO. 15**

City Manager E. Scott Wood stated that the purpose of this item is to award a bid to Tyco Complex in the amount of \$18,879.00.

**11. Discussion of the investigation regarding FOX 5 News by Mayor Wynn-
Dixon**

Mayor Wynn-Dixon did not comment on the Fox 5 News investigation.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: L'ERIN WIGGINS

Council Member Wallace made a motion to recess and go into Executive Session with Council Member Ruffin providing the second. The motion carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member Stamps-Jones made a motion to adjourn executive session at 8:00 pm, with Council Member Wallace providing the second. **The motion carried.**

Mayor Evelyn Wynn-Dixon

City Clerk Sylvia Vaughan