



## **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Mount Rainier Mayor and Council**

**Date: January 15, 2008**

**Place: One Municipal Place, Mount Rainier Md. 20712**

**Presiding Officer: Mayor Malinda Miles**

**Councilors present: Jimmy Tarlar and Bryan Knedler**

**Councilors absent: Alta Morton, Pedro Briones**

**Staff in attendance: Jeannelle Wallace, City Clerk Janis Lomax**

**Meeting called to order@7:10 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**A moment of silence for Senator Gwendolyn Britt and condolences to her family.**

**Review agenda**

**Move to approve agenda**

**Council member Bryan Knedler**

**Second Council member Jimmy Tarlau**

**Vote 3-0**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Moved Council member Knedler**

**Second Council member Tarlau**

**Vote 3-0**

**Approved with changes/ corrections by Friday**

**Council member Jimmy Tarlau**

**Plans for Skate Park on Wells and Otis Street are moving ahead. We hope to have a community meeting on January 23, 2008. I'd like to thank Margaret Boozer for her participation. We would like to have something unique and also the kids input would be nice.**

**Council member Knedler:**

**What is happening with the old nature center? They approved the funding and plans and it just disappeared. We should find out where they are with this.**

**Mayor Miles:**

**I'd like to thank everyone for what they did in 2007 and welcome you to year 2008. 30<sup>th</sup> and Arundel basketball court will be followed up on.**

**Please get some home owners insurance if you don't have any and don't smoke in bed.**

**We are looking at establishing a fund for the residents that have tragedy and we need help with grant writing at City Hall.**

**City Manager Jeannelle Wallace introduced the city's new Code Enforcement Officer Mr. Michael Warrick. He comes to us with a lot of federal government experience. Welcome a board.**

**We have only one applicant for the Christmas in April program.**

**Council member Knedler:**

**Please apply for these programs; this is a way for the city to repay you for your volunteer services.**

**City Manager Jeannelle Wallace:**

**Code Enforcement updated their vacant property list and the city is due \$23, 000.00. Michael Jackson will attend the Park & Planning training  
The city is planning to meet with Circle Café' to resolve the issue about the city trees that were cut down.**

**Council member Tarlau:**

**What's going on with the lights on 34<sup>th</sup> street?**

**City Manager:**

**We are going to use another electrical contractor.**

**Council member Tarlau:**

**The house on 34<sup>th</sup>, street that had the fire the trash there is really bad.]**

**City Manager:**

**We have issued NOV's and citations. The owners are having problems with their insurance company.**

**Luther Smith: (Public Works Director)**

**I have a meeting with Hyattsville and at that time I will get a better understanding about the speed humps they are installing.**

**Mayor Miles:**

**We need more information.**

**Council member Knedler:**

**We should try the rubber speed humps.**

**Council member Tarlau:**

**How many more do we need to purchase?**

**Mayor Miles:**

**A minimum of eight.**

**Council member Tarlau:**

**My suggestion is to purchase two humps not three.**

**Luther Smith (Public Works Director)**

**Four humps approved at this time to be placed at 32<sup>nd</sup> and Bunker Hill Rd. and two will be placed at 3809 31<sup>st</sup> .**

**Ordinance 10-2007 2<sup>nd</sup> reading**

**Moved Council member Tarlau  
Second Council member Knedler  
Vote 3-0 Approved**

**Bunker Hill Volunteer Fire Department**

**\$6000.00 contribution for the fire department coming out of the contingency fund.**

**\$1,500.00 allocated in the budget**

**Total= \$7,500.00**

**Motion to approve Council member Tarlau**

**Second Council member Knedler**

**Vote 3-0 Approved**

**Resolution 1-2008**

**Motion Council member Tarlau  
Second Council member Knedler  
Vote 3-0 Approved**

**Ordinance 1-2008 (1<sup>st</sup> reading)**

**This ordinance will re-appear for the agenda for the next meeting.**

**Resolution 2-2008**

**Motion Council member Knedler  
Second Council member Tarlau  
Vote3-0 Approved**

**The next Work-Session is scheduled for January 29<sup>th</sup> 2008  
Imminent domain letter  
Parking Redevelopment Authority**

**Motion to adjourn  
Council member Knedler  
Second Council member Tarlau  
Vote 3-0  
Meeting adjourned @ 9:15 pm**