

**Town of Edmonston**  
**Town Council Regular Session Minutes**  
Wednesday, June 8, 2016, 7:00 P.M.

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gant @ 7:00 pm. In attendance: Council Members: Johnson, Pooley, Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson and Town Administrator Rod Barnes. Council Member Layne-Bee was excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gant.

1. The approval of the agenda was presented for consideration. Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Pooley to approve the agenda as presented.

**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Gant

Nay: None

Motion carried.

**2. Public Comment:**

1. Christopher Jarboe indicated he was very thankful for the Community Garden.

**3. Presentations:**

Mayor Gant presented the Town's annual contribution to the Bladensburg Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Randy Kuenzli accepted the check and answered questions about the operation of the department. Mayor Gant indicated the Town had budgeted for an increase in the annual contribution for FY16-17.

Council Member Bennett-White arrived for the meeting at 7:20

**4. Unfinished Business:**

1. The consideration of Policy Resolution 2016-03 for the rental of the Recreation Center by Town employees and the Town Council was presented.

- i. Council Member Pooley moved, seconded by Council Member Johnson to approve the policy stating employees could rent the facility once per year for no charge and Council members could rent it for three times per year at no charge.

**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Bennett-White, and Gant.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

2. The consideration of the approval of the FY16-17 annual budget was presented. Council Member Bennett-White asked about raises for the Mayor and Council and if there were funds for senior citizen and youth activities. Town Administrator Rod Barnes responded that neither item was in the proposed budget. Mayor Gant indicated that the issue of raises for the Council had been discussed and the current salaries were appropriate at this time and there was no need for an increase at this time. The issue can be reviewed again at a later date since the implementation would happen in June 2017 and would have minimal impact on the FY16-17 budget.



**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Bennett-White, and Gant.  
Nay: None  
Motion carried.

3. The consideration of the approval of the introduction of Ordinance 2016-OR-03 amending the FY15-16 annual budget was presented.
  - i. Council Member Pooley moved, seconded by Council Member Bennett-White to approve ordinance 2016-OR-03 amending the FY15-16 annual budget.

**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Bennett-White, and Gant  
Nay: None.  
Motion carried.
4. The consideration of Policy Resolution 2016-05 establishing a sustainable procurement policy was presented for consideration.
  - i. Council Member Pooley moved, seconded by Council Member Johnson to approve Policy Resolution 2016-05 establishing a sustainable procurement policy.

**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Bennett-White, and Gant  
Nay: None.  
Motion carried.

## **6. Council Dialogue:**

1. Council Member Bennett-White said the flyer she picked up from the lobby indicated that the pavilion was part of the rental of the Recreation Center. The Town Administrator indicated that it was not and the flyer needed updated. She requested information on the cost of the renovations at the Recreation Center. Council Member Bennett-White indicated that the Power Pack Performing Arts Camp was operating from a building in Edmonston. She also reported that she was going to be polling young people in her ward concerning what type of activities they were looking for.
2. Council Member Johnson staffed the Green Team booth at the opening of the Port Towns Farmers Market. He reported that it went well. He also attended the Colmar Manor Native American event. He noticed that the Town was looking clean
3. Mayor Gant reported that the Breakfast with the Police Chief designed to include senior citizens was scheduled for Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

## **7. Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:47 p.m. by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Pooley.

**Vote:** Ayes: Johnson, Pooley, Bennett-White, and Gant.  
Nay: None  
Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Passed and approved this 13th day of July, 2016 by the Edmonston Town Council as the official minutes for the regular Town Council meeting conducted on June 8, 2016.

Tracy R. Gant, Mayor

Rod Barnes, Town Administrator