

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Meeting
July 13, 2026**

The Mayor and City Council Meeting was held at 7:30 PM on Monday, July 13, 2026.

Present: Mayor Miller, Mayor Pro Tem Miller and Council members Kalinock, Meade, McCarron and Kelly.

Also Present: City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Miller read the closed session minutes from the July 8, 2026 meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of minutes from June 3, 2026 and June 8, 2026 regular meetings and the July 8, 2026 closed session – motion to approve all by Kalinock, 2nd by McCarron – carried 5 - 0

Council member statement regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items: There were no statements of conflicts.

Public comment pertaining to agenda and non-agenda items: There were comments from the public relating to the removal of parking meters and traffic enforcement in school zones. Council member Kalinock asked business owners to send an email to the Council listing their parking needs and concerns.

Consideration and Review: There were no requests from the Council

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Adoption:

Resolution 2026 – 03 – County – Wide Water Resources Element – City Manager Wieprecht requested an amendment to include language stating a public hearing was held on July 8, 2026. Motion to adopt the resolution with the amendment by Kalinock , 2nd by Meade – carried 5 - 0

Resolution 2026 A – Retirement of Debt Services Correction – motion to adopt by Kalinock, 2nd by Miller – carried 4 – 1, with McCarron opposed

City Manager Report:

City Manager Wieprecht had no additions to his report.

Department Reports: There were no questions or comments from the Council. City Manager Wieprecht advised water consumption continues to spike on weekends and asked residents to continue water conservation efforts.

Old Business:

1. Ordinance 10 – 2026 – Accessory Dwelling Units – City Manager Wieprecht explained the Council needs to determine if they want to complete a parking study. The Planning Commission recommended a study before any Accessory Dwelling Unit zoning certificates are issued. The State legislature allows

one chance for the parking study but it must be done before passage of the legislation. Council member Meade explained if the City wants to be able to make a ruling on whether off-street parking is needed at a particular ADU the study must be conducted soon. This would reserve the City's right to regulate parking later. Motion by Meade to complete a parking study, 2nd by Kalinock The study will be conducted in-house by the Police Department. The motion carried 5 – 0.

2. Charter Resolution CR 2026 – 01 – Term Limits, Amendment to Terms of Office – pending review
3. Charter Resolution CR 2026 – 02 – Amendment to Removal from Office - pending review
4. Charter Article 1 – pending review

New Business:

1. Charter Review – Campaign Finance – Mayor Miller and City Manager Wieprecht will circulate a draft of their current suggestions to the Council.
2. Mountain Brook Developer Rights and Responsibilities Agreement – Motion by Kalinock to move forward with negotiations, 2nd by Kelly – carried 4 – 1 with McCarron opposed.
3. Award of Decarbonization Study – motion to approve by Kalinock, 2nd by Miller - carried 5 - 0
4. Memorial Park Expansion Award – Mayor Miller explained he does not feel a contract can be awarded when funding is not available. The Council will continue to seek other avenues. Council member Kalinock said he feels the issue highlights the fact that the City relies primarily on the impact fee model to fund maintenance and growth. The Council agreed that other options should be explored. The concern is that the City would be trapped in a perpetual growth cycle that is unsustainable, which has been the case with other cities. Mayor Miller suggested a special workshop in October to encourage further discussion. Kelly Buie from the Parks and Recreation Department stated that if the City does not move forward with the park project and has to wait until money comes in from park impact fees, it will be seven to ten years before the project can be done, adding that just like the police department needs to be at full staff, parks needs to provide facilities for its residents and they are already behind on this. She further stated that Parks and Recreation Director Vaccare has already looked for additional funding, but if there's anything the Council can do to explore other options it would be welcome. Mayor Miller replied that he and City Manager Wieprecht have been discussing other options. Kelly Buie responded that Parks and Recreation does not want to lose the grant funding. The item will be a topic on the August agenda. There was no motion to approve award of the bid.
5. Memorial Park – Inspection Services and Professional Services Agreement – There was no motion to approve the agreement.
6. CDM Smith Water and Sewer Planning Proposal – City Manager Wieprecht advised the proposal is in the amount of or \$96,650.00 and exceeds the budgeted amount for consulting and engineering so a budget amendment may be necessary. Motion to accept the proposal by Meade, 2nd Kalinock – carried 5 - 0

Council Member Reports - Council members reported on their areas of focus.

Mayor Miller advised residents can dispose of tree limbs three inches or less in diameter by dropping them off at Memorial Park until Sunday, July 19th.

Adjournment - motion to adjourn at 8:17 PM by Kalinock, 2nd by Meade – carried 5 - 0

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk