



# NAC 1 Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, March 3, 2011

**Recorder:** M. Bowman

**Location:** Whittier Elementary School

**Start Time:** 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:00 pm

**Attendance:** 6 residents

**Guest Speakers:** Katie Barkdoll, City of Frederick – Budget Discussion

### ***POLICE REPORT:***

Officer Meyers

For the period of February 1 – March 1, 2011 there were: 151 calls for service. If you subtract proactive enforcement, 15 beat checks and 27 traffic stops, there were 109 Calls for service.

Here is the breakdown for some of the 109 calls for service:

- 6 – Alarms
- 3 – Vehicle Accidents
- 2 – Juvenile Complaints
- 6 – Suspicious Activity
- 10 – Misc. (funerals, open doors, animals, etc.)
- 0 – Accident – Personal Injury
- 3 – Accident – Property Damage
- 0 – Burglary Residential
- 3 – Assault
- 3 – Destruction of Property
- 0 – Disorderly Conduct, cold
- 0 – Domestic Dispute
- 0 – Fraud
- 0 – Found Property
- 1 – Graffiti
- 0 – Harassment
- 2 – Hit and Run, Property Damage
- 1 – Mental Person
- 0 – Missing Persons
- 0 – Robbery, Strong Arm
- 1 – Suspicious Person
- 1 – Suspicious Vehicle

There were also 2 arrests:

- 1 – Alcohol Complaint
- 1 Hit and Run Property Damage

### ***FINANCE:***

Beginning Balance:	\$1000
Sept & Nov. WES use fees	<u>\$ 28</u>
Balance	\$ 972

### ***GUEST SPEAKER:*** Mayor Randy McClement and Katie Barkdoll – Budget Discussion

Mayor McClement and Katie Barkdoll were in attendance to talk with residents about the budget process for The City of Frederick. She distributed a list of tentative dates for this process. Katie said that it is important for residents to attend the workshops because it gives them the opportunity to express their concerns and requests.

Budget workshops (Saturday, 9:00am – 4pm - Annex)  
Public hearings (Tuesdays, 7:00pm – City Hall)

April 9  
April 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

There is a lot of budget information that can be found on The City of Frederick website: [www.cityoffrederick.com](http://www.cityoffrederick.com). Residents can also make comments regarding the upcoming budget on the site as well.

Mayor McClement was also in attendance and said that there is currently a hiring freeze and each position requested must be justified. He also stressed that next year's budget is not looking good. The City is looking at a 9.9M deficit. There is also an 8 million bond debt that is due.

The State of Maryland is mandating that The City update the water and sewer system which could be a 53 million dollar project. The City has applied for a grant in which they hope they may get 20M. Residents should expect to see an increase in their water and sewer bills.

Other concerns The City is addressing are:

- Airport – The Federal Government said it would help with the purchasing of land around the airport so it could expand. The Federal Government will no longer pay for the land.
- Highway user revenue – the state has taken 95% of the fund which was to be used to make road repairs.
- The Mayor has put out a RFP for Harry Grove Stadium. There has been some interest from an independent baseball league to lease the stadium.
- This week The City also suspended bulk trash pickup. Below is the explanation why: From Mayor McClement:

Bulk trash pick-up costs the city \$60k to \$80k for tipping fees alone. In previous years, the County would supplement this cost for all municipalities. The City of Frederick share was \$39k. Last year the County cut that amount in half and removed it completely in their 2012 budget. We do not have \$60k to \$80k for this service.

We have implemented a “pay as you go” bulk trash program. This program allows you to call the Department of Public Works and request a bulk trash pick-up for a fee. We are also encouraging everyone to recycle bulk items when possible. Recycle in this case may mean donating used furniture to local charities...selling metals to local recycle companies and so on.

Also, the City of Frederick is facing a deficit of somewhere around \$10,000,000.00 in the general budget for fiscal year 2012. We also, have an unfunded State Mandate of \$53,000,000.00 to upgrade our Wastewater Treatment Plant. We lost nearly \$3,000,000.00 in State highway user funds that go towards paying for City road repairs. You can see we face many financial challenges and are trying to find solutions.

Another question frequently asked in regard to trash removal is why we do not implement once a week trash pick up. There are a large number of people recycling more and those people have lowered the amount of solid waste they are placing out weekly. Unfortunately there are a large number of people who do not recycle and place more solid waste out weekly. I have also heard from those who recycle that they continually overflow their recycling bins and want more recycling pickups or they will be forced to put recycling in the trash. The fact that a large number of people still do not recycle and the fact that the City does not control the recycling program (the County does) are the main reasons we have not been able to move to once a week trash removal. We are currently studying possible solutions to this concern.

The current contract for recycling with the County expires in 2012. We are currently in talks with the County to see if The City of Frederick can submit a bid with the County to be the recycling vendor for our City. If we can do that, we would have control over the recycling program and make the switch to twice a week recycling and once a week solid waste removal.

Please be aware that today, it is more expensive to recycle then it is to remove solid waste. It costs \$76/ton for solid waste removal and somewhere around \$100/ton for recycling. Two reasons for this are 1) process costs for recycling and 2) the commodity price for recycle material is almost non existent. In FY 2010, it cost the county around \$4 million to remove recycling and they received only \$400,000.00 in commodity return. If we decide to bid the recycling for the City, we would need to take this cost into account.

The City would appreciate any resident feedback on the budget. There is a section on The City of Frederick website [www.cityoffrederick.com](http://www.cityoffrederick.com) where residents can leave feedback. It is on the home page of the website. If anyone would like to contact Katie Barkdoll they can do so at [kbarkdoll@cityoffrederick.com](mailto:kbarkdoll@cityoffrederick.com).

**OLD BUSINESS:**

09/06/10	____ Emerson Drive Siding is missing near the top on side of the house	Code Enforcement Mike Brown	02/10/11 Case reassigned to David Beers 12/06/10 case still open – Mike Brown will issue a civil citation 11/15/10 Dan Hoffman said the NOV has expired CE will be issuing a civil citation. 10/28/10 Notice of non-compliance mailed on 10/27/10. They are still trying to contact the owner 10/18/10 siding still not repaired on this residence 09/07/10 Jim Schmidt said the inspector has been notified and will investigate 09/07/10 MB emailed CE.
11/15/10	Rocky Springs Rd and Tuscanney Dr. Cars are speeding through these locations around 5:00 pm	Frederick Police Sgt. Burns	02/11/11 Squad C did 30 minutes of radar and issued 2 citations 11/15/10 Sgt. Burns emailed complainant and will work with her to solve the issue. 11/15/10 MB emailed Sgt. Burns.

01/05/11	Walnut Ridge BOD would like to explore the possibility of placing a sign in the median at Chestnut & Tuscanney.	Gabrielle Dunn	01/31/11 Gabrielle said that no signage is permitted in the right of way. Zoning Ordinance - CLOSED 01/05/11 Rick Weldon emailed Gabrielle Dunn
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**NEW BUSINESS**

- none

**SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

- Can the speed box be put on Tuscany past the soccer fields?
- Would like Code Enforcement to come speak at a future meeting.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- March 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 pm All NAC meeting – Gang Seminar (City Hall)
- April 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 4:00 Budget Workshop (Annex building)
- April 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Public Hearing – Budget (City Hall)
- April 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Public Hearing – Budget (City Hall)
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 pm Public Hearing – Budget (City Hall)
- May 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Public Hearing – Budget (City Hall)

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<p align="center"><b>NAC 1 MEETINGS – 7:00 pm</b> Whittier Elementary</p> <p><b>May 4<sup>th</sup></b> – Dave Schultz, Frederick Police Department – Victim Services Unit</p> <p><b>July 6<sup>th</sup></b> – Alternate Location</p> <p><b>September 7<sup>th</sup></b> -</p>
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<p align="center"><b>FREDERICK POLICE DEPARTMENT</b></p> <p><b>Emergency:</b> 911 <b>Non-Emergency:</b> 301-600-2100</p> <p align="center"><b>Anonymous Crime Tips</b> 301-600 TIPS (8477) – phone 240-674-TIPS (8477) - text fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org</p> <p align="center"><b>Drug Tip Line</b> 301-600-2246 fpddrugtip@frederickmdpolice.org</p>
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