

Council Activity Report for the Month of October 2021

- October Council Meeting was held on Monday, October 4th. Meeting began at 6:45 pm due to 3 hearings preceding the normal meeting.
- There were three public hearings for the following ordinances, and votes were taken on them during the regular meeting.
 - **Ordinance 2021-16 Changes to APFO to relax open space standards for MXD Development**
 - 6 people came out to speak on the ordinance. Mainly against the ordinance since there is current deficit of open space for the current residents, and relaxing the standards to allow for more residential development will only aggravate the problem on having too little open space for the population.
 - This ordinance can be applied to all of the property that is or will be zoned MXD.
 - Council decided to delay the vote on this ordinance.
 - **Ordinance 2021-17 – To rezone Beck Property to MXD.**
 - Several people spoke on this ordinance. Some were in favor, and some were against it as proposed and the process that was taken to approve the property rezoning.
 - Council voted on this ordinance. 3 in Favor, 2 were Opposed
 - **Ordinance 2021-18 – Small Cell Towers**
 - One person spoke in favor.
 - Council decided to delay final action to allow for Councilmember Munder to review and make changes to the ordinance if needed.
- Various other ordinances and resolutions were voted on and introduced.
- Several Charter changes were introduced and scheduled to be heard during the November town council meeting.
 - Topics of the changes include
 - Election date, Nominations Dates & Certified Election Results
 - Finance, Budgeting and Purchasing
 - Duties of the Town Administrator and Town Staff
- The fate of the Flat Iron Building was discussed and Council President Poirer requested councilmembers to further reduce choices down to their top two choices.
- Councilmember Munder indicated he attended the Carroll Council Commissioner Meeting in September to highlight a letter the Town sent them on the two development choices before them for the Harrison- Leishear property. It was decided that the Commissioners and town set up a joint public hearing in Mount Airy on this. Town is currently in the process of doing this.
- **Next Town Council Meeting is November 1st at 6:20 pm due to public hearings.**