

**City of Bowie  
Financial Advisory Committee**

**Regularly Scheduled Meeting on February 7th, 2018**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** On February 7th, 2018, the Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) held a regular meeting. Police Chief Nesky, Deputy Police Chief Preston, and Public Safety Committee (PSC) Chair Monica Best-James were in attendance. Chief Nesky provided background on the City of Bowie Police Department. FAC members and guests had an informative discussion. The FAC appreciates the time and effort our guests took in offering to and attending our regular meeting. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call To Order.** At 7:03 pm The Secretary called the meeting to order in the Bowie City Hall, 5901 Excalibur Rd, Bowie, MD 20716.
2. **Roll Call.**
  - a. A quorum was established with the following members in attendance:
    - i. Muzar Jah, Secretary
    - ii. Meglan Knights
    - iii. Tiffany Lightbourn
    - iv. William Olukoya
    - v. Patricia Peterson, Chair
    - vi. Rodney Yancey
  - b. Mr. Byron Matthews, Director, Bowie Finance Department and Staff Liaison to the Financial Advisory Committee was in attendance.
  - c. Police Chief Nesky, Deputy Police Chief Preston, and Public Safety Committee Chair Monica Best-James were in attendance.
3. **Approval of Minutes.** No meeting minutes were approved.
4. **Introductions** Police Chief, Deputy Chief, and PSC Chair, Director Bowie Finance Dept, FAC Chair and FAC members.
5. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. All February 7 2018, agenda items except, Public Safety Committee, are moved to the next regular meeting.
  - b. Approval of January 2018 Meeting Minutes moved to next regular meeting.

6. **New Business:**

- a. **Call for residents to join City Committees was posted in February 2018 Bowie Spotlight**  
(<https://www.cityofbowie.org/Archive.aspx?ADID=2165>)
- b. **Police Chief, Deputy Police Chief, and Public Safety Committee (PSC) Chair Attends Bowie FAC Meeting**
  - i. Chief Nesky, Deputy Police Chief Preston, and Public Safety Committee Chair Monica Best-James were in attendance. Chief Nesky began the discussion with the history of the City of Bowie Police Department explaining how and why the Police Department has grown in size, resources, capabilities, facilities, police services, and community engagement services from its inception to present day. The current organization of the Police Department was also explained. FAC and guests discussed topics including the call and dispatch center, beat vs patrol officers, direct response team, lead time for training officers, resources leveraged from the county, resident concerns, effectiveness metrics and the three year strategic plan the City of Bowie Police Department is creating. The goal of the FAC was to gain a better understanding of the Police Department and the impact to the City Budget. Chief Nesky took the action to include call response times to the regular reporting to Council. An invitation was extended to the FAC to attend a Public Safety Committee Regular Meeting.

7. **The Committed adjourned at 8:35 pm.**

8. **Next Meeting:** The next Committee meeting is scheduled for March 7th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Financial Advisory Committee, City of Bowie, Maryland, on April 4<sup>th</sup> 2018.

  
Muzar Jah, Secretary