



MAYOR & COUNCIL
REGULAR WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
May 8, 2023

****Meeting minutes are prepared in a summarized format. For full discussion and further details of the meeting you can view the streamline video at the following link: <http://townhallstreams.com/locations/rock-hall-md>. They are also available at the Town Office****

Mayor Cook called the Regular Workshop meeting to order at 7:19 p.m. In attendance were Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Collyer, Chief Dempsey and Town Manager Resele.

Agenda

Vice Mayor Jones made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes

Councilmember Collyer made a motion to approve the Regular Workshop Meeting minutes of April 3, 2023. Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Vice Mayor Jones made a motion to approve the Closed Session Meeting minutes of April 3, 2023. Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Town Manager Report

Town Hall Building Project – Updates

Town Manager Resele talked to Real Estate Agents about selling the old Municipal Building and all seemed interested. Mayor Cook suggested getting an RFP to list the building.

Councilmember Collyer made a motion to all the Town Manager to put out an RFP for a representative Real Estate agent to sell the old Municipal Building. Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business

Parking Tickets

Tickets were ordered and just received them. Will be starting to enforce.

Mosquito Control

Town Manager Resele is looking into a mosquito dunk tablet that is put in standing water. Looking into a bulk purchase and handing out to residents. Will probably still have to spray the large marsh areas.

Civic Center Drainage Project

Middleton's Construction Company, LLC is working on the project.

New Business

Parking at the Blue Heron

The owners of the Blue Heron would like to make a new parking area with 10 extra spaces along Coleman Road. Talked to Chris Jakubiak for his input. A discussion followed and it was decided to set up a meeting with the owners.

Pothole Patching

All streets are finished with a price of \$12,956.00.

Councilmember Collyer made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$12,956.00 for pothole patching. Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Speed Bumps – Boundary and East Sharp Street

Discussion on maybe putting a speed bump on Boundary and East Sharp Street. Chief Dempsey did not recommend a speed bump. The Council agreed they were not in favor of one either.

Donation to Museum Board

There is a resident that would like to leave a monetary donation to the Museum Board. The Council suggested to have her talk to her Lawyer about the wording in the Will.

Damaged Slide

Discussion about the damaged slide at the Lagoon playground which Town Manager Resele said it will cost \$1,456.00 to fix.

Vice Mayor Jones made a motion to approve the repair of \$1,456.00 to the damaged slide at the Lagoon playground. Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Special Events

Need to make a motion to relax or repeal the open container code.

Councilmember Collyer made a motion to relax the alcohol open container from 6 am to 6 pm on Main Street for Pirates & Wenches weekend and Fall Fest. 10 am to 4:40 pm at the Beach for Pirates & Wenches. Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor and Council Items

New 501c3 Heritage Organization – status update

Nothing to report

Relocation of Museum Artifacts

The contract with Tolchester Marina states that volunteers can help move the artifacts.

Main Street Rock Hall – Pocket Park Project – Status

Submitted – Town sent letter of recommendation.

Air B&B's

Nothing to report.

Auditor RFP

Will discuss at the next Business meeting.

Basketball Court – Lights Management

Town Resele stated that the lights cost \$480.00 per light. Talking to Delmarva Power for an alternative.

Dog Park – Project Update – Fundraising Ideas

Mayor Cook wants to come up with fundraising ideas to help with the construction of the Dog Park.

MDRC Circuit Rider Grant Program Management

Still helping with the Grant process and reimbursement of funds paid out.

Property Transfer Tax

Still waiting for information from the County.

Sea Level Rise

Nothing to report.

Municipal KC Grant in Aide/Tax Differential Survey Participation

Will discuss at the next Business meeting.

Proposed Code Changes to Communication s Board – Chapter 4

Will introduce at next Business meeting.

Resolution to Code 225-11-10 – Address Signs

No update.

New Business

Ordinance 2023-03 – Chapter 125

Will discuss at the next Business meeting.

Transportation Fund – Delmarva Craft

Council decided to free up funds to approve the request from Delmarva Craft to help with transportation expenses.

Councilmember Collyer made a motion to approve a one-time payment of \$5,000.00 out of the Campaign Transportation Fund for Delmarva Crafts request for the 2023 transportation season. Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Budget – Special Session Dates

Will discuss at the next Business meeting

Limit on Meeting Times

Mayor Cook suggested that there be no duplication on Utility Board, Regular Workshop and Regular Business Meeting.

Other Organizations

Legislative Session Wrap-up

Discuss at the next Business meeting.

For the Good of the Town

Vice Mayor Jones thanked all the voters that came out to support all the candidates. She also stated it was very discouraging that only 185 people voted.

Next Meeting Dates

Planning & Zoning Town Workshop – Rock Hall Comprehensive Plan – May 10, 2023.

Regular Mayor & Council Business Meeting – Wednesday, March 17, 2023.

Next Regular Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Special Workshops for Town Hall Building Project and FY24 Budget as needed.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the Regular Workshop Meeting at 8:32 pm. was made by Councilmember Edwards. Councilmember Collyer seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cheryl M. Butler

Approved by:

James Cook, Mayor

Carolyn Jones, Vice Mayor

Timmy Edwards, Councilmember

Eleanor Collyer, Councilmember

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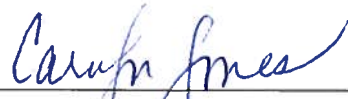


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