

Town Council Meeting January 14, 2019

Present: Lee Adams, Frank Vari, Mayor Rich Taylor, Frank Hill, Carolyn Blevins, Town Attorney Tom Yeager

Staff: Rob Bernstine Town Manager, Clerk Tonya Adams, Clerk/Treasurer Valerie Walls, Maintenance John Loveless

Absent: Rebecca Mann

Mayor Rich Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:35pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Minutes:

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hill to approve the minutes with corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilwoman Blevins: Read the state police report. Sgt Proctor was not able to make it to the meeting tonight because of an incident at the barracks.

Councilman Vari: Public works –Town Manager Rob Bernstine has been working on stormwater issues, a heater installed at the water tower and reviewed the list from the Maintenance Department had assisted with repairs. Spoke with SHA with problems on Biddle St; Please report any potholes to Town Hall; Reminded residents when it snows, they are responsible for the sidewalk in front of their homes. Parks & Recreation: need volunteers for the Easter Egg Hunt April 13th, hoping the Fire Company will help as well. Waste Management – tabulating our recycling this month, no yard waste, Christmas trees only. If you need a special pick-up, call JBG directly. Special Events – Social for Locals is this Thursday. Please come out and support our business. Congratulations to the Marin family for purchasing the Bayard House. Jan 8th the County Commissioners were presented certificates for the Maryland Day to Serve. I attended Cecil Night in Annapolis with Mayor Taylor and Town Attorney Tom Yeager. NYD Race estimated to clear \$6596; Working on Canal Run on June 29th starting at Schaefer's. We are trying to reach the owner at 2nd & George St to divert the sump pump into their yard instead of the street. Ice has been developing with the dropping temperatures. We also have the same problem on the North side with sump pumps discharging in the alley.

Councilwoman Mann – Absent this evening. She has been working on CDO.

Councilman Hill –Updated Council with account balances. Town Manager Rob Bernstine updated progress on the grants. No Historic Meeting in December for the lack of activity. No traffic at the docks.

Councilman Adams: Planning Commission – Chris Coliukos was voted in as Chair and Rob McLaron as Vice Chair. Rob was also a chair in Boothwyn before he moved to Town. Water

department – water main break on Biddle St and a sewer back up on south side Jan 2, 2019.
Josh from Miller Environmental gave the monthly flow reports.

Town Manager Report: asked the County to review the Micro-bioretenion facility that is not functioning. Meeting with the Department of Transportation to request an extension on the Safe Routes to School Project. Grant agreement sent to Department of Housing and Community Development for execution. Core will be working on bridge and we can expect lane closures to be scheduled the end of February or the beginning of March. There will be a flagger and expected to complete work during daytime hours.

Mayor – thanking Town Attorney for driving to Annapolis last week for Cecil Night, there was a good session with our local delegation. Presented Major General Taylor a certificate for the MD Day to Serve.

Action Items:

Introducing Ordinance No: 1.14.2019A An ordinance of the Town of Chesapeake City to amend Article 4 Zoning Districts and allowable uses, and to amend Article 6 Site Building and design standards of the Chesapeake City Comprehensive Development Ordinance to revise the Parking and Landscaping provision of the Chesapeake City Comprehensive Development Ordinance. The Ordinance was read for the public

Chesapeake Science & Security Corridor (CSSC) Consortium Memorandum of Understanding
MOTION: Councilman Vari made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Blevins to approve the memorandum. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

The Maryland Municipal Public Works Officials Association

Town Attorney wants to review this before we enter into the agreement, possible workshop item.

- Introducing Ordinance No: 1.14.2019B. Ordinance 01.14.2019B
the purpose of discussing an ordinance authorizing the Town to issue (i) general obligation bonds in an original aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$486,000, to finance, reimburse or refinance costs of the New Water Storage Tank Project and related costs, and (ii) general obligation bonds to refund any bonds issued pursuant to the authority of such ordinance. Details of any such obligations will be determined or provided for by resolution. Ordinance was read for the public.

Public Comment

Next Saturday, there will be a Spaghetti Dinner at VFW for Economical Association. It's an All-You-Can-Eat from 4-7pm; includes salad and desserts.

Town Wide Potluck on 26th at the Parish Hall at Good Shepard on George St

Mayor & Council Comments

Councilman Hill would like more time to read information when there's alot of items on the agenda. Packets are currently available on Friday afternoon before the Monday evening meeting.

Town Attorney Tom Yeager gave a status report on the Court of Special Appeals. Basically if the proposed changes to the CDO are adopted the litigation will be moot.

Adjourn

MOTION: Councilman Vari made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hill to adjourn the meeting at 7:49pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted:



D. Valerie Walls
Clerk/Treasurer



Richard L Taylor III
Mayor