

COUNCIL AND UTILITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF ROCK HALL**TOWN OF ROCK HALL**

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**MINUTES - MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
September 13, 2012**

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
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The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Regular meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m. All Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Jones and Councilmember Francis. The Town Manager and Chief Moore were also present.

Mr. Tom Willis gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A moment of silence was given in respect to those who serve our country on our behalf.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the August 9, 2012 meeting. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:

None

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Assistant Clerk – Treasurer read the Financial Report into the record as follows:

General Fund Investment Account: \$131,694.41
Utilities Fund Investment Account: \$ 82,112.85
Total Available Funds: \$213,807.26

Property Taxes Outstanding: \$855,576.24
Utilities Fund Outstanding: \$ 2,955.86
Services Rendered Outstanding: \$ 1,300.00
Total Outstanding: \$859,832.10

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Mayor read a Thank You note from the Hickman family for the gift and support during their time of sorrow. Mr. Ronnie Hickman's wife, Mrs. Sharon, has recently passed away.

The Mayor and Council received a letter from Ken Collins from WCTR thanking the town for all the help and support for the Part at the Bay event.

There was a note received a letter from Mrs. Patsy Reihl offering to donate a desktop computer to the museum if the Mayor and Council was in acceptance of it. The Mayor and Council stated that it was a very generous offer and gift to the town, and they were greatly appreciative of it.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Moore read the report into record. Chief Moore stated that the camera systems are still a beneficial factor with assisting in the Police Department. Chief Moore mentioned an idea to help bring people into town. He gave a brief overview of a gaming (treasure hunt) system called Geo Caching.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Councilmember Jones was not present to give a report. The Town Manager reported that the company Pothole Pros has come in and repaired about 15 potholes that needed fixing. It cost about \$2,500.00 to have them come in and do this and they have done a real good job at getting them fixed.

SEWER/WATER:

Councilmember Nesspor read the reports into record. We've had a couple of pumping stations that have had problems that needed working on and has been fixed. Councilmember Nesspor asked where the town was at in regards to having the town sprayed for mosquitos. The Town Manager stated that they have been around spraying and if you notice that there are more mosquitos around all we have to do is make a phone call and ask them to come back around to spray again.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Francis was not in attendance to be able to give a report on Parks and Recreation. The Mayor stated that the American Legion donated \$800.00 to the Parks and Rec. to purchase a protective guard around the top of the ball field fences. The Mayor mentioned the upcoming Fall Harvest event.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Price met last night. They had a discussion on the approval of the tier maps the Mayor and Council will have to vote on and approve of. Councilmember Price read a letter of approval from Mr. Ed Kurowski of the Planning & Zoning Board. Unfortunately we've received a letter from Mrs. Anne Leone resigning from her seat with the board.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Councilmember Francis was not in attendance to give a report on the Museum Board. There were a couple of Museum Board members in the audience who gave an update on their behalf. The Mayor mentioned the sign the Mr. Brawner has placed on his property at the Rock Hall Village in regards to it being the future sight of the Rock Hall Museum. He would like the Chairman of the Museum, Mr. Doug Francis, to bring this to the Museum Boards attention that Mr. Brawner has offered his property and services in constructing a new building for the Museum to be placed in.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

The Mayor mentioned the GED program/classes and gave a brief update on it.

The Mayor discussed the continuing project of the dinghy dock.

The Mayor mentioned that the Board approved the hiring of a part time grant writer to try to bring in some grant money that the town could utilized in some of the projects that we have going on. The town has placed an ad in the paper stating that the town is looking for applicants for a part time grant writer.

The Sons of the American Legion has donated money for the October 13, 2012 movie night at the beach. They asked that we show two Laurel & Hardy segments.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager gave the statistics on the Transportation system. There was a discussion about storing the trams during the winter season.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 p.m.; Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved:

Robert E. Willis, Mayor
Olin B. Price, Councilmember
Brian Nesspor, Councilmember