

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
October 13, 2016**

*\*Meeting minutes are transcribed in a summarized format. For full discussion and further detail of the meeting you can view the streamline video at the following link:*

*<http://townhallstreams.com/locations/rock-hall-md>.*

*They will also be available for viewing at the Town Office\**

The Mayor convened the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Kuechler, Councilmember Nesspor, Councilmember Price and Councilmember Kendall were present. The Town Manager and Lieutenant Sutton were also in attendance.

Councilmember Price gave the invocation. There was a moment of silence given. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of September 8, 2016. Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Special Meeting minutes of September 19, 2016. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:**

NONE

**ROCK HALL COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD:**

The Mayor and Council presented Mrs. Glenda Dierker and Mr. Andrew Glenn with the Rock Hall Community Spirit Award.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

NONE

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

NONE

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The Town Manager read the Financial Report into record as follows:

General Fund Investment Account:	\$108,499.84
Museum Board :	\$ 2,840.86
Utilities Fund Investment Account:	<u>\$ 7,598.18</u>
<b>Total Available Funds:</b>	<b>\$118,938.88</b>
Property Taxes Outstanding:	\$249,132.64
Utilities Fund Outstanding:	\$213,349.04
Services Rendered Outstanding:	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total Outstanding:</b>	<b>\$ 462,481.68</b>

### **POLICE REPORT:**

Lieutenant Sutton read the police report into record.

### **STREETS/SANITATION:**

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Streets and Sanitation departments. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Town Manager in regards to a few possible projects to do in the near future. The Town Manager mentioned that the next project we need to think about is the upcoming snow removal we may encounter. Our dump trucks are in need of repair; you may want to think about the purchase of a new dump truck. Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to have Ronnie go back to the auction and see if he can find a decent dump truck to purchase. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Councilmember Kendall mentioned the ditch that runs behind his house down to the entrance to Harbor Woods has a high spot that tends to get backed up when it rains.

### **SEWER/WATER:**

Councilmember Nesspor gave an update on the sewer and water departments. The fire hydrants have been getting flushed out. There have been a few water leaks that have been fixed. There was a sludge pump fixed and returned. The Town Manager gave an update on the Catholic Avenue Water Main project and New Well project. There is a public hearing scheduled for our next Mayor and Council meeting in regards to the funding for these projects.

### **PARKS/RECREATION:**

Councilmember Kendall gave an update on the Parks & Recreation Board and the upcoming events scheduled. Councilmember Kendall stated that Mrs. Beverly Beck indicated that she is no longer interested in being a Parks & Recreation member. Mrs. Beverly was asked to send a letter to the Town resigning her seat on the Parks & Recreation Board. The Mayor gave an overview of the upcoming Monster Dash Halloween event. The Mayor gave a brief overview of the Santa Coming to Town event. The Town Manager stated that the Learning Center has asked to have the floors carpeted. It looks like it will cost about \$2,500.00 - \$3,000.00 range. We are waiting on one more quote to come in. Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to purchase the cheapest carpet for the Learning Center. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

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### **PLANNING/ZONING:**

Councilmember Price gave an update on the Planning & Zoning Board.

### **MUSEUM BOARD:**

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Museum Board. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Councilmembers, and the Town Manager in regards to the funds Scratch Ashley had inquired about.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Councilmember Price gave an update on the Communications Board. Councilmember Price read a meeting summary from September 12, 2016 into record from the Communications Board. There have been complaints in regards to the live streaming of the Town meetings. The Mayor stated that they are working on having them looked into. The Mayor requested that the Communications Board meet at the Town Hall.

### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

NONE

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Mayor gave an overview of the upcoming Working Waterfront/Workshop meetings. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Audience members in regards to upcoming Working Waterfront meetings.

The Mayor gave an overview of Red Ribbon Week. Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to participate in Red Ribbon Week. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The Mayor read the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation into record.

Trick or Treating will take place on Monday; October 31, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Mayor stated that the Town has been asked to participate in this year's Goose Bump Jump. It is scheduled for November 12, 2016 in Betterton. This event helps support the Kent Center. The Mayor stated that he has agreed to participate and the Town Manager has agreed to participate. Anyone else willing to support and/or participate are more than welcome to come out and help the Town Team.

### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

The Town took out a \$70,000.00 loan to install a new heating/cooling system in the Municipal Building. The equipment has arrived and they will start working on the installation process on Monday. Fall Fest didn't have the most ideal day, but there was a good turn-out for it. The Trolley's will stop running on the last Sunday of this month.

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**GOOD OF THE TOWN:**

The Mayor gave an overview on an opportunity for a substantial financial boost with the Main Street Revitalization program.


**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

NONE

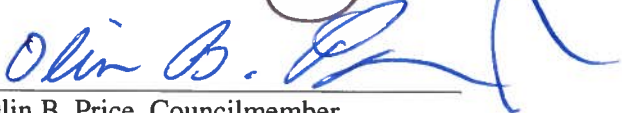
Councilmember Kendall read a letter of resignation into record. His resignation will be effective as of October 31, 2016. The Mayor and Council conveyed their concerns in Councilmember Kendall's resignation and wished him well and thanked him for his service to the Town.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.; Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

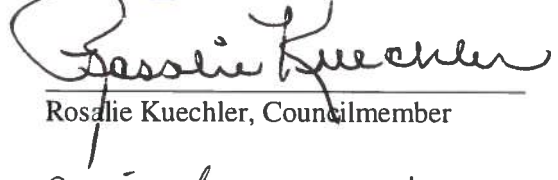
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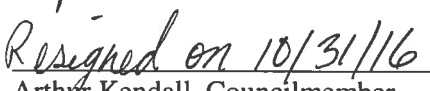
  
Lacey T. Cox  
Assistant Clerk-Treasurer

  
Brian L. Jones, Mayor

  
Olin B. Price, Councilmember

  
Brian Nesspor, Councilmember

  
Rosalie Kuechler, Councilmember

  
Resigned on 10/31/16  
Arthur Kendall, Councilmember