

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2016**

The Vice Mayor convened the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m. All Councilmembers were present. The Town Manager and Chief Moore were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

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

Councilmember Kendall made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of January 14, 2016. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:

The Pirates and Wenches Committee were in attendance to give a donation of \$500.00 to the Rock Hall Against Drugs (RHAD) campaign and a donation of \$1,000.00 to be used for the purchase of an enclosure for the Trams.

ROCK HALL COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD:

Councilmember Kuechler presented the Rock Hall Community Spirit Award to Mrs. Betty Tucker, who could not be in attendance due to illness.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Scratch Ashley was in attendance to give an update on what's been going on at the Clam House.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

General Fund Investment Account:	\$224,323.00
Museum Board :	\$ 2,652.49
Utilities Fund Investment Account:	<u>\$123,242.83</u>
Total Available Funds:	\$350,218.32
Property Taxes Outstanding:	\$123,352.42
Utilities Fund Outstanding:	\$ 29,281.98
Services Rendered Outstanding:	<u>\$ -</u>
Total Outstanding:	\$152,634.40

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Moore read the police report into record. There were questions asked of Chief Moore in regards to his police report and he answered all questions accordingly.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Streets and Sanitation departments.

SEWER/WATER:

Councilmember Nesspor gave an update on the sewer and water departments. The Town Manager gave an update/overview on one of the Town's wells that is need of repair.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Kendall gave an update on the Parks and Recreation Board.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Price gave an update on the Planning & Zoning department. Councilmember Price stated that he was in receipt of a letter of interest for the vacancy on the Board of Appeals. Councilmember Price read the letter from Paul Miller into record. Councilmember Price made a motion to appoint Mr. Miller to the Board of Appeals. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Miller was in attendance and while attending the meeting the Mayor swore Mr. Miller in as a new Board of Appeals member. The Mayor reminded everyone that there is still a vacancy on the Board of Appeals for an alternate.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Museum Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Councilmember Price read the meeting minutes from February 8, 2016 into record.

Mr. Mark Einstein asked if it would be possible for someone from the Mayor and Council to work with the Rock Hall Restoration Heritage Center to see if the Rock Hall Museum could work collectively together. There have been people who have been in and dropped off artifacts to add to the Museum's collection.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

The Town Manager read a summary of Ordinance No. 2016-01 (Communications Board) into record for introduction. The Mayor and Council scheduled the public hearing for Ordinance No. 2016-01 to be held on March 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Meg Parry was in attendance to give an update/overview on the Waterfront Committee Grant. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, the Audience Members, and Mrs. Meg in regards to the Waterfront Committee Grant.

Councilmember Kendall stated that the Mayor and Council may want to start working on updating/revising the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan should be updated every five to six years.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Meg Parry gave an update on the Wellness Committee. Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the three candidates who submitted letters of interest to the Wellness Committee. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The three new members of the Wellness Committee are Mr. Phil Anderson, Mrs. Debra Woodruff-Capper, and Mrs. Joanne Rich.

Mrs. Kate Johnson gave an update on the process of accepting the funds received for renting camping/tent spaces at the Civic Center during the triathlon. Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the rental of camping/tent spaces at the Civic Center during the triathlon event (June 4 & 5, 2016) proposed by Kate Johnson. Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor, motion carried. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, Kate Johnson, and the Town Manager in regards to the triathlon event and the space rentals.

There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, and the Town Manager in regards to the 4th of July fireworks. This led into a discussion in regards to the schedule of events for the 4th of July holiday and where the events would be held among the Mayor and Council, the Town Manager, and the Audience Members.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager had nothing else to report on that hadn't already been discussed.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

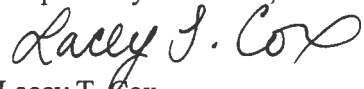
Mr. Mark Einstein raised a question in regards to the public being able to attend Committee meetings that are held. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, the Town Manager, and the Audience Members in regards to Mr. Mark's question. The Town Manager is going to check into this and get back to the Mayor and Council.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

NONE

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Lacey T. Cox
Assistant Clerk-Treasurer



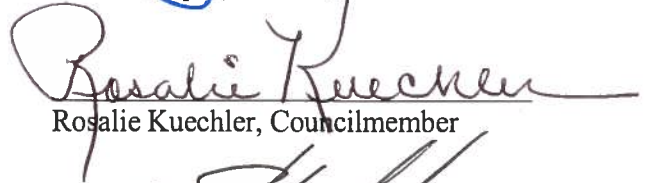
Brian L. Jones, Mayor



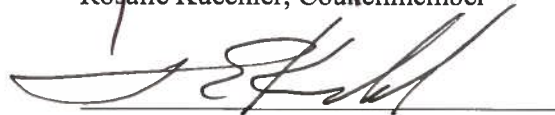
Olin B. Price, Councilmember



Brian Nesspor, Councilmember



Rosalie Kuechler, Councilmember



Arthur Kendall, Councilmember