

MINUTES - MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

January 11, 2007

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 11, 2007

The Mayor convened the Regular Meeting on the above date at 7:40 p.m. All Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Toulson. The Town Manager, Acting Chief of Police and Town Attorney were also present. The Clerk/Treasurer was absent.

All recited the Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

With there being no corrections, deletions or additions, Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Regular Mayor and Council Minutes of December 14, 2006; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

General Fund Investment: \$325,387.87

Utilities Fund Investment: \$ 58,047.62

WWTP Interim Acct.: \$ 12.52

Total Available Funds: \$383,448.01

Property Taxes Outstanding: \$105,434.39

Utilities Fund Outstanding: \$123,118.71

Services Rendered Outstanding: \$ 1,108.08

Total Outstanding: \$229,661.18

With there being no further questions, the Mayor stated that the Financial Report would be filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Mayor read into the record a thank you letter from Anna Baker for making it possible for her to attend the Lead America Conference. She will be studying forensic science.

The Mayor read into the record a letter from Helen Burton thanking the town for the beautiful snowflakes and fish on Main St. during the holiday festivities.

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POLICE REPORT:

Acting Chief Moore read the Police Report into the record.

STREETS/SANITATION:

There was nothing to report due to the absence of Councilmember Toulson.

SEWER/WATER:

Councilmember Kuechler read the sewer and water reports into the record. She reported that Mark Durrett had written a letter to Mayor Sorge of Betterton thanking her for letting the town utilize two of their men as laborers for the Town of Rock Hall.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Price reported that the last meeting was held at Durdings Store. He reported that Mark & Suzanne Einstein would like to become Parks/Recreation members. He will contact them about the next meeting.

The Town Manager read into the record a letter from Ronald Jayne, Rock Hall Lions Club requesting use of the Civic Center grounds from May 3, 2007 – May 5, 2007 in order to have a circus. The Mayor stated that we should check with the ball teams to make sure there is no conflict.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Willis reported that Chris Crane and Susan Patterson were before the Board for a preliminary subdivision approval. The Planning Commission granted approval. He also reported that the Planning Commission would be meeting again next Wednesday in order to discuss the Comprehensive Plan.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Councilmember Kuechler reported that the Board is enthusiastically working on a recognition reception for Mr. & Mrs. Johnson and hope to have it some time in April. There will be a plaque for Mr. & Mrs. Johnson. Councilmember Kuechler also reported that the Board would be selling books at the expo that the Business Association is having. There are still members not attending the meetings.

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ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

The Mayor introduced and read into the record Resolution 2007-01, addition of Parental Leave to the Personnel Policy. Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to adopt Resolution # 2007-01 to the Personnel Policy; Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

The Mayor stated that Ordinance # 2006-05, Development Rights & Responsibilities Agreements, was introduced at last month's meeting. Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 2006-05; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was a discussion on the Text Amendment for Joseph Syzmanski. The Public Hearing was held earlier in the evening. Councilmember Willis made a motion to deny the text amendment request from Joseph Szymanski; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a discussion on the Slip Rental Agreement which was discussed last month. Councilmember Willis made a motion to accept the Boat Slip Rental Agreement in the location of

the Maryland Food Authority Building; Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager had nothing to report.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

Councilmember Kuechler reported that there will be a car show in June at the bulkhead. The Mayor stated that the Tricentennial Birthday Celebration got underway on New Year's Eve.

Dan Leone requested that some one come by and pick up old branches at Mrs. Krupka's residence.

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Councilmember Willis reported that the Elementary School will be sporting their purple colors tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. The Kent County News will be there.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn the Regular Mayor/Council Meeting at 9:02 p.m.; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Grussing
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: Mayor and Council
Town of Rock Hall

