

MINUTES - MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2008

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 Councilmembers Toulson and Willis. The Town Manager, Clerk-Treasurer and Assistant Town Attorney were also present.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 12, 2007 as presented; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER/INVITED GUESTS:

None

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

General Fund Investment Account: \$275,816.27

Utilities Fund Investment Account: \$79,742.28

Total Available Funds: \$355,558.55

Property Taxes Outstanding: \$159,258.57

Utilities Fund Outstanding: \$153,403.84

Services Rendered Outstanding: \$1,310.00

Total Outstanding: \$313,972.41

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

POLICE REPORT:

Chief-of-Police Moore read the report into the record.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Due to the absence of Councilmember Toulson, there was no report read.

SEWER/WATER:

Councilmember Kuechler had nothing to report on. The Water Superintendent has requested to have his computer replaced at the Water Plant with an estimate of \$1,278 presented to Mayor and Council. After much discussion, it was decided that a new computer could be purchased but at a lower cost. The Town office personnel will research further for a more inexpensive computer.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Due to the absence of Councilmember Willis, there was no report read.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Price read the report into the record. At the Wednesday, January 9, 2008 meeting, there was a discussion regarding "The Refuge", a proposed subdivision located off of Haven Road. The meeting was for a preliminary review and recommendation for reduction of front yard depth of certain homes that will be built. Board approved 15' setback, noting final approval must come from Town Council.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Town Manager Fithian reported on new Board Members: Ron Fithian (Chairman), Jim Rich (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. Louisa (Babs) Dannenberg (Secretary), Treasurer position remains open. Meetings will be changed from Monday to Wednesday, time to be determined later. The Inns of Rock Hall donated \$250.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Recent discussions regarding ditch problems with properties at Harbor Woods have prompted Mayor Jacobs to have Town obtain estimates for making the repairs, with the suggestion of putting a lien on the property for the intention of Richland Homes repaying the debt incurred by the Town for the repairs and other issues not resolved.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager reported new carpet has been installed in the Library, Mayor's office and Chief of Police office; two water main breaks have been repaired: one at Hawthorne and Bayside, the other on Boundary Ave; discarded Christmas trees, if placed in front of residence, will be picked up, or owner can call the Town office for pick-up.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

Mayor Jacobs spoke of the annual Appreciation Dinner to be held on February 29, 2008 at the Chesapeake Room (RHVFD). In addition to the regular committee and Board members invited, Mayor Jacobs has extended an invitation to the 300th Birthday committee members, to show appreciation to each member involved in a successful (and eventful) year.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m.; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina L. Edwards

Clerk-Treasurer

Jay A. Jacobs, Mayor

Rosalie Kuechler, Councilmember

Olin B. Price, Councilmember

John F. Toulson, Councilmember

Robert E. Willis, Councilmember