MINUTES - MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING March 12, 2009

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The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting on the above date at 7:35 p.m. All Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Price who arrived at 7:45 p.m. Town Manager Fithian, Assistant Town Attorney Patrick Thomas and Chief of Police Moore were also present.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Willis made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting of February 12, 2009; Councilmember Toulson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER/INVITED GUESTS:

None

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

General Fund Investment Account: \$ 460,209.03 Utilities Fund Investment Account: \$ 182,594.75

Total Available Funds: \$ 642,803.78

Property Taxes Outstanding: \$ 100,673.50

Utilities Fund Outstanding: \$4,749.89

Services Rendered Outstanding: \$ 2,045.00

Total Outstanding: \$ 107,468.39

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Jacobs read a letter received from the Kent County High School Music Boosters asking for support for their upcoming band trip to Hershey, PA. Councilmember Kuechler made a motion to contribute \$100 to the Music Boosters; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief of Police Moore read the report into record.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Councilmember Toulson reported on a "job-well-done" by the town employee's during the snow storm. The streets were plowed and salted and were virtually kept snow-free. Also, street signs are being replaced where needed.

SEWER/WATER:

Councilmember Kuechler reported 5,070,000 gallons of wastewater was treated in the month of February and we received 0.4" of rain; 3,933,000 gallons of water was treated in the month of February and received 0.4: of rain; parts for Pump Station #4 have been received and installed; fire hydrant flushing will commence March 23 through March 26.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Willis reported briefly on the Kid's Summit held March 11, 2009 at the Municipal Building. Approximately 30 parents and children participated with many ideas for activities. Spring maintenance is ongoing on the buildings and grounds at the Civic Center and ball fields; the basketball court rims and nets have been replaced with new.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Price reported there is no Planning and Zoning meeting scheduled for March; bids for the Comprehensive Plan have been received and the work was awarded to Arro Consulting for a firm bid of \$24,500.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Councilmember Kuechler reported the Museum Board will be meeting monthly for the summer season. The board decided to rotate the items in the museum every six months, to give it a different look. The museum is looking for volunteers on Saturday and Sunday.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor and Council decided to move forward with having a booth at this year's Maryland Municipal League Convention in Ocean City, Md. Mayor Jacobs will ask the Rock Hall Business Association with help in the manning of the booth.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

Town Manager reported the town employee's did an excellent job during the snow storm; the playground equipment and areas are being spruced up for summertime; town employees are currently reading meters for the next quarter water/sewer billing.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

Mayor Jacobs advised of the upcoming election on May 2, 2009.

Property owner Dominic Delgiorno of 21138 Striper Run asked Mayor and Council what could be down about the water that accumulates behind his property and lies on the ground after rainfall. Town Manager Fithian said the town could take care of the problem.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Christina L. Edwards Clerk-Treasurer

Approved:

Jay A. Jacobs, Mayor Rosalie Kuechler, Councilmember Olin B. Price, Councilmember John F. Toulson, Councilmember Robert E. Willis, Councilmember