

## MINUTES - UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING

September 28, 2008

### UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES

September 29, 2008

The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Utilities Board meeting on the above date at 7:37 p.m. All Councilmembers with the exception of Councilmember Toulson were present, along with Town Manager Ron Fithian and Assistant Town Attorney.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Utilities Board Minutes of September 2, 2008 as presented; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

### SEWER ALLOCATION REPORT

The Town Manager read the sewer allocation report into the record.

Mayor Jacobs presented to Council a project proposal submitted by Arro Consulting in the amount of \$9,850 to provide professional engineering services in the assessment of remaining reliable water and sewer capacity of the Town and options to increase capacity to meet projected demands. After lengthy discussion, Councilmember Price made a motion to accept the proposal in the amount of \$9,850; Councilmember Willis seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Kent County Water and Wastewater Services has asked to have eleven (11) potential properties outside of the Edesville service area connected to the Town's water service in Edesville. Mayor and Council unanimously agreed to table the discussion until the completion of the water feasibility study.

A resident on Hawthorne Avenue made a complaint of having low water pressure at his residence. It was suggested he inspect the type and sizing of plumbing pipes installed in his home. Some town residents have increased their water pressure by changing the type of piping throughout their residence.

A letter was received from the Maryland Department of Environment informing the Town that the current wastewater treatment plant permitted flow of 500,000 gallons per day (gpd) must be upgraded to achieve enhanced nutrient removal treatment. The current state list does not include the Town of Rock Hall as scheduled for an upgrade. It is the suggestion of the MDE to decrease the wastewater flow to 450,000 gpd.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 8:24 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

Robert E. Willis, Councilmember