

COUNCIL AND UTILITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF ROCK HALL**TOWN OF ROCK HALL**

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**MINUTES - UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 3, 2014**

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES
September 3, 2014

The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Utilities Board meeting on the above date at 7:05 P.M. All Councilmembers were present. The Town Manager was also present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

The Mayor stated that he had a separate agenda that he had put together and printed out. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to how the agendas are compiled. Councilmember Jones made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda that was put forth by the Town Staff. Councilmember Price seconded. The Mayor asked for a vote in regards to the motion made. With a majority vote in favor of the motion made the motion was so carried. Councilmember Jones, Nesspor, and Price voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Francis and the Mayor voted in opposition of the motion made.

There was an update given by the Town Manager in regards to the Clarifier project.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Utilities Board Meeting of August 4, 2014 as presented; Councilmember Jones seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SEWER ALLOCATION REPORT:

The Town Manager read the sewer allocation report into record.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2014-06 (Secondary Water Meters) as presented. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. There was a discussion in regards to Ordinance No. 2014-06 among the Mayor and Council and the Town manager. The Town Manager stated that the Mayor should recuse himself from the discussion and from voting in regards to this Ordinance due to the fact that it directly affects his family's business. With a majority vote in favor of the motion made the motion was so carried. Councilmember Jones, Nesspor, and Price voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Francis and the Mayor voted in opposition of the motion made.

Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-10 (Relief from Sewer Charges) as presented. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The Mayor did not vote in regards to Ordinance No. 2014-10 (Relief from Sewer Charges).

Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2014-05 (Relief from Sewer Charges) as presented. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. There was a brief discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to Resolution No. 2014-05 (Relief from Sewer Charges). With a majority vote in favor of the motion made the motion was so carried. Councilmember Jones, Nesspor, and Price voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Francis did not vote and the Mayor did not vote in regards to Resolution No. 2014-05 (Relief from Sewer Charges).

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Councilmember Price and Nesspor voted in favor of the motion made to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. No one opposed the motion made.

Approved:

Robert E. Willis, Mayor

Olin B. Price, Councilmember

Susan A. Francis, Councilmember

Brian Nesspor, Councilmember

Brian Jones, Councilmember

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
September 3, 2014

The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Workshop meeting on the above date at 7:25 P.M. All Councilmembers were present. The Town Manager was also present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Councilmember Francis made a motion to adopt the Workshop meeting agenda proposed September 3, 2014 as put out by the Mayor to discuss these issues that should be discussed at a workshop. No one seconded the motion made by

Councilmember Francis. The motion made by Councilmember Francis died. Councilmember Jones made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda that was produced and published by the Town Staff at 10 O'clock this morning. Councilmember Price seconded. The Mayor stated that he would like to add the resignation letter received by Mr. Warren Zimmerman. Councilmember Jones accepted the addition. Councilmember Francis asked to add the Hamlet to the agenda. The Mayor stated that he would like to add a letter received from Mrs. Anita Gotlieb to the agenda. Councilmember Jones was opposed to adding Mrs. Gotlieb's letter to the agenda. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to the Hamlet and Mrs. Gotlieb's letter. The Mayor stated that there was a written request from Mrs. Madeline Cornelius he would like to have added to the agenda. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to Mrs. Cornelius' letter. Councilmember Francis stated that she would like to add a financial discussion to the agenda. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to adding the topic of finances to the agenda. The Mayor called for a vote in regards to adding the topic of finances to the agenda. Councilmember Jones, Nesspor, and Price opposed adding the topic of finances to the agenda. The Mayor and Councilmember Francis did not vote. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Audience in regards to the approval of the agenda. The Mayor stated that there will be a discussion in regards to the Ethics Commission because it stated in the Charter and it will be announced tonight. The Mayor also stated that he set an Ethics Commission and there is one in place. The Mayor asked if all was in favor of the agenda, Councilmember Jones stated "with the exception of the Ethics Commission". The Mayor called for a vote on the agenda as proposed by the Town Staff. With a majority of the vote in favor of the motion, the motion was so carried. Councilmember Price, Nesspor, and Jones voted in favor of the motion made. The Mayor and Councilmember Francis voted in opposition of the motion made.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Workshop Meeting of August 4, 2014 as presented; Councilmember Jones seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

There was a letter received from North Point Marina. Councilmember Nesspor recused himself from the discussion in regards to North Point Marina due to personal conflict of interest. He also abstained from voting in this matter as well. The Mayor read the letter received from North Point Marina into record. North Point Marina is asking the Town to reimburse them for the cost of the work/repair done to the drainage system that adjoins their property from the Town. The total cost of the reimbursement is for \$7,605.00. Councilmember Price made a motion to reimburse North Point Marina for the amount of \$7,605.00. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Town Manager in regards to North Point Marina's request. Councilmember Francis seconded the motion made. With a majority vote in favor of the motion made the motion is so carried. The Mayor, Councilmember Francis, and Councilmember Price vote in favor of the motion made. Councilmember Jones voted in opposition of the motion made and Councilmember Nesspor abstained from voting.

The Town Manager gave an overview of the Head Start's heating system. There was a discussion in regards to this issue among the Mayor and Council and the Town Manager. It was agreed to have an RFP put out for companies to supply proposals for the installation of four heating/cooling units that were received from Head Start.

The Mayor read a letter into record from Mr. Warren Zimmerman. Mr. Zimmerman's letter stated that he was resigning from the Planning & Zoning Board Committee.

The Mayor gave an overview of the newly appointed ethics board. On August 23, 2014 the Mayor swore in Mr. Warren Zimmerman, Mrs. Terri Mullikan, and Mr. David Robinson to the Ethic's Board. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to the Ethic's Board.

Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to adjourn.

There were comments received from Mrs. Cora Dickson in regards to the Ethic's Board and the Website Focus Group.

There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to the Website.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved:

Robert E. Willis, Mayor

Olin B. Price, Councilmember

Susan A. Francis, Councilmember

Brian Nesspor, Councilmember

Brian Jones, Councilmember