**TOWN OF ROCK HALL**

Mayor & Council Regular Business Meeting
Thursday March 14th, 2024
6:15 PM
St. John's Hall


Public May Attend in Person

**REMOTE ACCESS OPTIONS**
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AGENDA

6:15   Call to Order
- Blessing
- Pledge of Allegiance

Review & Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes
- Regular Business Meeting Minutes – February 8th
- Closed Session - February 8th
- Public Hearing Meeting Minutes February 8th


6:20   Administrative Reports
- Financial Report          Resele
   See Report
- Police Report             Police Chief Dempsey
   See End of Year Report
- Code Enforcement          Code Enforcement Brandee Vaughan
   See Report


6:30   Department / Board Reports – Councilmembers & Town Manager Resele
- Street & Sanitation          C. Jones
   o Resident discussion of concerns of parking in Rock Hall
   o Sinks holes on W Sharp St and Lawton Ave (investigating reason for issue)
   o Repair of Town Water Blaster (from Kent Co) - $4,721.13 (will be used to clean out culverts)
   o Low Asphalt in Haven Court
- Water
   o Catholic Ave / Boundary Ave shut off valve to Hydrant
- Sewer/Pump Stations
   o Lowering level at lagoon
   o PS #2 – repair completed 3/13

- Parks & Recreation      C. Jones / Chair - TBD
  - Working with Kate Mayberry to get items for Beach and Civic Center
  - Group to input to Ferry Beach waiting for meeting
- Planning & Zoning      E. Collyer / Chris Rogers - P&Z Administrator
  - Next meeting scheduled for March 13, 2024.
  - Member Appointment
- Museum Board      J.Cook
  - 501c3 Registration – Completed
- Communication Board      J. Cook
  - Board is active. First meeting is 3/27
- Ethics Board      R. Seewald
  - N/A
- Economic Development Committee      R. Seewald
  - Update

6:50      Old Business

- Meeting on Housing Needs
  - On Hold
- Skilled Trades
  - Update
- Auditor
  - Project Update – New completion date March
    - Review of draft 2022 Audit
    - Accountant working with Perry for information needed to start 2023 audit
- Town Hall Building Project
  - Sale of Property
    - New buyer discussing purchase
  - Purchase of Property:
    - Option Selection
      - Discuss Options on Town Hall
- Dog Park Fund Raising
  - PayPal Fundraising Page – Status Up and running
  - Submit the new application
- Rock Hall Library
  - Put together an application for Design and Technical Grant – SEARCH Grant – MRDC putting application together
- HR Support
  - Set up meeting with outside consultants for handbook and policies – Closed session discussion
- Business Application Form
  - iWorQ's form to be completed by 4/11/24

7:15      New Business

- Charter Amendment Resolution 2024-01
  - Vote
- Budget Build meetings
- State Tax Rate due date – 6/18/2024 need to send to Kent Co by 6/17/2024 – see attachment
- Advertising Methods and Costs – see attachment

- o Public Notices
- Tax Set-off Study
  - o Review
- Comprehensive Plan
  - o Review and Discuss Comments

7:40    Events -N/A

7:45    Other Organizations – meeting updates - Correspondence

- Greater Rock Hall Business Association
  - o Report
- Main Street Rock Hall
  - o See Report
- Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company
  - o N/A
- Council of Governments
  - o Meeting on 3/20/2024 in Betterton
- Maryland Municipal League (MML)
  - o N/A
- Eastern Shore Association of Municipalities (ESAM)
  - o Meeting on 3/19/2024 – Virtual

7:55    For the Good of the Town – Citizen Commentary

Next Meeting Dates
- Monday April 1, 2024 – Utilities Board Meeting and Mayor & Council Regular Workshop Meeting
- Thursday, April 11, 2024 – Mayor & Council Regular Business Meeting
- Special Workshops – TBD

8:00    Closed Session:
        General Provision Article 3-305(b)(1) and 3-305(b)(14) of the Annotated Code of Maryland - Personnel
- Open Closed Session
- Close Closed Session
- Reconvene Business Meeting
- Actions taken in closed session

8:30    Adjournment