

TOWN OF ROCK HALL

Mayor & Council Regular Business Meeting
Wednesday January 17, 2024
6:00PM
St. John's Hall

Public May Attend in Person

REMOTE ACCESS OPTIONS

To Watch & Listen – use the Town's Live Stream Webcast – Rockhallmd.gov

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Dial: 1-872-240-3212

Access Code: 949-645-733

AGENDA

6:00 Call to Order

- Blessing
- Pledge of Allegiance

Review & Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

- Regular Business Meeting Minutes – December 14th
- Closed Session - December 14th

6:05 Administrative Reports

- Financial Report Clerk/Treasurer Loller
 - See Report
- Police Report Police Chief Dempsey
 - See December Report
- Code Enforcement Code Enforcement Brandee Vaughan
 - See Report

6:20 Department / Board Reports – Councilmembers & Town Manager Resele

- Street & Sanitation C. Jones
 - Equipment ready for snow and ice
 - Contacted State for sink hole on Rt #20 / Coleman Ave
- Water
 - Meter pit water leak on Town side 21192 CHESAPEAKE AVE
 - Water leak 21111 CHESAPEAKE AVE
- Sewer/Pump Stations
 - Due to heavy rains and high tides the Lagoon is very high – draining back to WWTP
 - PS #2 – waiting on repairs (parts)
 - PS #3 – floats on order to get station back online

- PS #4 – Pump #2 repaired and installed, both pumps online
- PS #5 - #1 pump pulled for repairs (DSi)
- Parks & Recreation C. Jones / Chair - TBD
 - Meeting canceled on 1/15/2024 due to weather
 - Reschedule date - TBD
- Planning & Zoning E. Collyer / Chris Rogers - P&Z Administrator
 - Board of Appeals meeting Wednesday 1/24/2024 (4 appeals scheduled)
- Museum Board J.Cook
 - 501c3 Registration - Update
- Communication Board J. Cook
 - Board needs 1 more member to become active - Accepting Applications for Board Members
 - Website Update – Options
 - Facebook Page
- Ethics Board R. Seewald
 - Update

6:45 Old Business

- Auditor
 - Project Update – new completion date February
- Town Hall Building Project
 - Sale of Property
 - Purchase of Property:
 - Option Selection
 - 3.96 Ac – Corner of Rock Hall Ave and Zeeman - \$295,000 per acre
 - Closed session discussion
 - New interest by Home Partnership - Frank Hodgetts
- Possible Election Date Change
 - First Saturday in March – March 1, 2025
 - Update
- Dog Park Fund Raising
 - PayPal Fundraising Link – Website/QR Code
- Rock Hall Library
 - Put together an application for Design and Technical Grant - SEARCH

7:15 New Business

- Rock Hall Landing
 - Possible new businesses/redevelopment
- Introduction of Ordinance No. 2024-01 (Multiple Connection Charge Discount)
- Public Notice Costs
 - Costs Incurred VS. Costs Charged
 - “Newspaper of General Circulation”
- Joint Session on Housing
 - Mayor and Council
 - Planning Commission
 - Appeals Board

7:40 Events -N/A

7:45 Other Organizations – meeting updates - Correspondence

- Greater Rock Hall Business Association
 - Report
- Main Street Rock Hall
 - Report
- Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company
 - Looking for volunteers
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- Council of Governments
 - Meeting on 1/10/2024 in Annapolis
- Maryland Municipal League (MML)
 - Opened the new office on January 10, 2024 – State Circle
- Eastern Shore Association of Municipalities (ESAM)
 - Meeting on 1/23/2024 – Fisherman’s Inn

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

Next Meeting Dates

- Monday January 29th, 2024 – Utilities Board Meeting and Mayor & Council Regular Workshop Meeting
- Thursday, February 8th, 2024 – Mayor & Council Regular Business Meeting
- Special Workshops – TBD

8:00 Closed Session – General Provision Article 3-305(b)(1) of the Annotated Code of Maryland - Personnel Matters.
 Closed Session – General Provision Article 3-305(b)(14) of the Annotated Code of Maryland – Contracts.

- Open Closed Session
- Close Closed Session
- Reconvene Business Meeting
- Actions taken in closed session

8:30 Adjournment