MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES June 11, 2015

The Mayor convened the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m.

All Councilmembers were present. The Town Manager, Clerk Treasurer, and Captain Dempsey were also present.

Councilmember Price gave the invocation. There was a moment of silence given. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 14, 2015. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:

Mrs. Patsy Reihl spoke in regards to vendor fees/license fees paid to the Town. Mrs. Patsy also inquired about business vendors and the license fees required. Mrs. Patsy suggested the Town look into receiving grant money for the survival of Main Street and the possibility of purchasing property to help maintain the survival of Main Street and its progress for the Town.

ROCK HALL COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD:

The Mayor announced the creation of the Community Spirit Award. The Mayor gave an overview of the award and its purpose. The Mayor gave a summary of an incident that occurred during the recent triathlon event. Captain Dempsey gave an update in regards to the condition of the gentleman involved in the incident. The Mayor recognized the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company, the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company EMS department, the Kent County EMS department, the Rock Hall Police department, and the Rock Hall Police Auxiliary department and presented each with a Community Spirit Award.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mrs. Patsy Reihl asked for an explanation of the Board of Education relocating to the Kent County High School and the possibility of the Town office moving to the current location of the Board of Education located on the corner of Catholic Avenue and Boundary Avenue.

Mr. Allen Riley spoke in regards to a problem with being told that the Trams couldn't stop to pick up his kids. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, the Town Manager, and Mr. Riley in regards to this issue.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Clerk Treasurer read the Financial Report into the record as follows:

General Fund Investment Account:	\$116,945.24
Museum Board:	\$ 2,968.67
Utilities Fund Investment Account:	\$135,341.40
Total Available Funds:	\$255,255.31
Property Taxes Outstanding:	\$ 55,701.81
Utilities Fund Outstanding:	\$ 3,163.55
Services Rendered Outstanding:	\$ 5,500.00
Total Outstanding:	\$ 64,365.36

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

POLICE REPORT:

Captain Dempsey read the police report into record. There were questions asked of Captain Dempsey and he answered them accordingly.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Streets and Sanitation departments.

SEWER/WATER:

The Town Manager gave an update on the water and sewer departments. The Town Manager gave an update on the Water Clarifier project.

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Kendall was named the Parks and Recreation liaison. The Town Manager gave an update on the Civic Center Playground Equipment project. The next Parks & Recreation meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building. The Town Manager and the Mayor gave a brief overview of the 4th of July events scheduled. It was asked if there were advertisements placed in the public notifying the citizens that there were vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Board for anyone interested. There were notifications placed on Facebook and there will be a notice placed on the website.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Councilmember Price made a motion to reappoint Mr. Jack Heffner to the Board of Appeals. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Councilmember Price gave an overview/update in regards to the Planning & Zoning Board.

MUSEUM BOARD:

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Museum Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

The Town Manager read a summary of Ordinance No. 2015-02 (Zoning Text Amendment) into record as an introduction to the Ordinance. There will be a public hearing on Ordinance No. 2015-02 on July 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-03 (Communications Board). Could not clearly hear from recording who seconded the motion, but the motion was seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-04 (2015/2016 Budget). Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Meg Parry was in attendance to introduce and give an overview of Resolution No. 2015-05 (Healthy Eating Act Program/HEAL). There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, the Audience Members, and Mrs. Parry in regards to Resolution No. 2015-05. The Town Manager read a summary of Resolution No. 2015-05 into record as an introduction. Councilmember Kendall made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-05. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A citizen is asking the Town to help promote and co-sponsor a guided bird walk/tour during the off season (October – March) limited to twenty participants with minimal cost to the Town for support. The Mayor and Council unanimously agreed to help sponsor and promote the event.

Councilmember Price made a motion to have the Town Attorney compose a letter terminating the contract between Wavevision (Cable/Internet Company) and the Town. Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The Mayor put a notice out looking for volunteers to help with Sustainable Community project for Main Street.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager gave an overview of the facelift done to the Municipal Building from the Garden Club and thanked the Garden Club for all the hard work they put into it.

The Town Manager recognized Mr. Maloney for the improvements he made to the buildings he owns on Main Street.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

Councilmember Nesspor gave an update on the dates and times scheduled for the Waterman's Association Fishing Tournament taking place this upcoming weekend.

Mrs. Patsy Reihl mentioned the donations for the 4th of July fireworks.

The Mayor gave an overview of the schedule of events to take place during the 4th of July holiday.

The Utilities/Workshop meeting scheduled for June 29, 2015 has been cancelled.

There was a brief presentation shown of the triathlon event.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.; Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Lacey T. Cox

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer

Brian L. Jones, Mayor

Olin B. Price, Councilmember

Brian Nesspor, Councilmember

Rosalie Kuechler, Chuncilmember

Arthur Kendall, Councilmember