

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 9, 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 and Chief Moore were also in attendance.

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 Special Meeting minutes of June 11, 2015. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Budget Hearing Meeting minutes of June 11, 2015. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Public Hearing Meeting minutes (Ordinance No. 2015-03) of June 11, 2015. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 11, 2015. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKERS/INVITED GUESTS:

NONE

ROCK HALL COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD:

The Mayor recognized the Rock Hall Garden Club with a Community Spirit Award.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

NONE

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Town Manager read the Financial Report into the record as follows:

General Fund Investment Account:	\$110,077.47
Museum Board :	\$ 2,968.81
Utilities Fund Investment Account:	<u>\$ 50,203.95</u>
Total Available Funds:	\$163,250.23

Property Taxes Outstanding:	\$ 52,444.35
Utilities Fund Outstanding:	\$199,457.72
Services Rendered Outstanding:	<u>\$ 5,800.00</u>
Total Outstanding:	\$257,702.07

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Mayor recognized Mrs. Edna Marie Sutton Hubbard's birthday.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Moore read the police report into record. The Mayor stressed the importance of reporting anything suspicious that may help apprehend the person(s) responsible for the current spree of break in's.

STREETS/SANITATION:

Councilmember Kuechler gave an update on the Streets and Sanitation departments. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Town Manager in regards to some potholes around town.

SEWER/WATER:

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

PARKS/RECREATION:

Councilmember Kendall gave an update on the Parks and Recreation Committee. Councilmember Price made a motion to reappoint Harriet Creighton and Beverly Beck to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Councilmember Kuechler seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to appoint the following people as new members of the Parks & Recreation Committee: Nancy Smith, Holly Jones (Ireland), Carolyn Jones, Brandee Vaughan, Lee Vaughan, Alex Burton and Jessica Burton. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The Mayor swore in the new members of the Parks and Recreation Committee. The Town Manager gave an update on the new playground equipment project at the Civic Center.

PLANNING/ZONING:

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 Resolution No. 2015-06 (Sustainable Maryland) into record as an introduction to the Resolution. Councilmember Price made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-06 (Sustainable Maryland). Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The Town Manager gave an overview/summary of Resolution No. 2015-07 (Access to Public Records) as an introduction to the Resolution. Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to waive the reading of Resolution No. 2015-07 (Access to Public Records). Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-07 (Access to Public Records). Councilmember Price seconded. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council in regards to the motion made. There was no vote on the motion made to adopt Resolution No. 2015-07 (Access to Public Records), the motion died. Councilmember Nesspor made a motion to table Resolution No. 2015-07 until the next month's meeting. Councilmember Price seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Town Manager stated that there have been a lot of compliments received in regards to the 4th of July celebration in Town. It was a good weekend for everybody. The Mayor thanked everyone involved for their help and support in making the 4th of July celebration a huge success. The Mayor showed a slide show of pictures, that Dorian Mitchell of the Kent County News supplied, of the 4th of July celebration. Councilmember Nesspor thanked the members of the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company for their services during the 4th of July festivities.

The Mayor and Council attended the MML Convention just prior to the 4th of July.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

Mrs. Edna Marie Sutton-Hubbard asked if the Town has voiced an opinion in regards to the windmills being placed throughout the County. The Town Manager gave an update in regards to the windmills.

Mrs. Patsy Reihl asked about the condition of the boats that are sitting in front of the Municipal Building and the possibility of having them refurbished. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council, and the Town Manager in regards to the boats.

Mrs. Patsy Reihl asked about the vendor fees and if that issue had been resolved. The Mayor gave an update in regards to the vendor fees. There was a discussion among the Mayor and Council and the Audience Members in regards to the vendor fees.

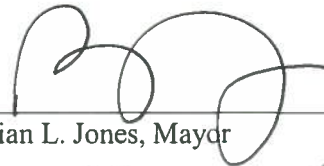
The Town of Rock Hall received a plaque at the MML convention for its commitment of healthy eating and active living as a member of HEAL Cities and Towns Campaign.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.; Councilmember Kendall seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

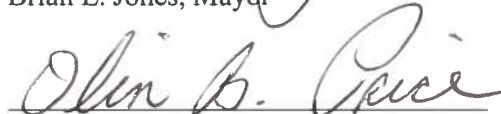
Respectfully submitted,



Lacey J. Cox
Assistant Clerk-Treasurer



Brian L. Jones, Mayor



Olin B. Price, Councilmember



Brian Nasspor, Councilmember



Rosalie Kuechler, Councilmember



Arthur Kendall, Councilmember