Council and Utility Commission Minutes for the Town of Rock Hall

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MINUTES - UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING
March 4, 2013

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES
March 4, 2013

The Mayor convened the Mayor and Council Utilities Board meeting on the above date at 7:15 P.M. All Councilmembers were present. The Town Attorney was present and the Town Manager was also present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Utilities Board Meeting of February 4, 2013 as presented; Councilmember Francis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

SEWER ALLOCATION REPORT:

The Town Manager read the sewer allocation into record. Nothing in the sewer allocation report has changed.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

The Mayor asked for an update on Pumping Station #4. The Town Manager stated that we are still waiting on one more company to compare it to. Hopefully we'll be ready for sure at the next workshop.

The Town Manager stated that we've taken the next step in the process of the clarifier project. The USDA sent us a notice to make application. Which means that they have reviewed the project, they have agreed with the findings of the need of the project. We have filled out a very complicated application and have to send it back to them. There will be a construction agreement by McCrone that will be sent to the USDA. They will then get back to us and tell us this percentage of grant versus low income loan; we'll know exactly what kind of funding this will be.

The Town Manager stated that there is a small leak on Boundary Avenue that we'll be working on in the next couple of weeks.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Price made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 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

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
March 4, 2013

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilmember Price made a motion to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Workshop Board Meeting of February 4, 2013 as presented; Councilmember Francis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

The Town Manager explained that because the fiber optics cable have been run through town we have to remove the cables (wires) that run our Christmas lights on all the poles except the new lights/lamp post through Main Street. Each individual light will now have to have about $100.00 worth of equipment mounted on the poles for each light to be able to be used from now on. Now, you have to decide whether you’re going to spend the money for these lights and if so how many. The Mayor asked for a count of snow flake lights we have, so we can maybe figure out how many we may want to have put up. We’ll come back and finish this discussion at our next meeting.

The Mayor gave an update and overview on the Rock Hall Adult Learning Center.

The Mayor mentioned that the COG (Council of Government) meeting for this month is being held on April 20, 2013. It is being held in Rock Hall this month at Bay Wolf Restaurant at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Dick Goodall has been invited to attend along with Mitchell Reese, President of Washington College.

The Mayor mentioned a request from the Governor’s Liaison that has put a request out to towns looking to become a smart community. There is a letter of intent to fill out and send in to apply for eligibility. This could open up a few more doors of opportunity for us.

The Mayor mentioned that the bid process for the MFCA has been amended. The bid opening has been moved to March 15, 2013.

Councilmember Price made a motion to reappoint Mrs. Jenny Lee Rodney, Mrs. Ruth Clark, Mr. Raymond Brilz, Sr., and Mr. Albert Parsons to the Election Board. Councilmember Nesspor seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The Mayor gave a brief overview of the upcoming Town Appreciation Dinner.
Councilmember Price made a motion to move into an Executive Session - Under the Maryland Open Meeting's Law, Section 10-508, Subsection A; Paragraph 1, Sub-paragraphs 2 (ii) for the purposes of discussing any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals. Councilmember Francis seconded. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was recessed at 8:05 p.m.

The Workshop meeting was reconvened at 9:15 p.m. There were no actions taken during the Executive Session.

The Mayor mentioned that Ken Collins, of WCTR, would like to attend one of our workshop meetings. They are looking to expand their marketing opportunities. I think he wants to come and talk with the board to convey some of the options they have to offer.

With there being no further business, Councilmember Jones made a motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.; Councilmember Francis 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