

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL WORK SESSION July 6, 2017

- I. Patrick J. Mahoney, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were: Dr. Valerie Beaudin, Stewart B. Cumbo, Derek J. Favret, Lawrence P. Jaworski, and Keith L. Pardieck, Council Members, Holly K. Wahl, Town Administrator, Sharon L. Humm, Town Clerk, and Laurie Smith, Town Treasurer. Absent was Gregory J. Morris, Council Member.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Informational Discussion on the following items:
 - A. Consider moving fireworks back to the traditional July 3rd date annually The Council discussed moving the fireworks to an annual July 3rd date. Some liked having it on Sunday, others on Saturday and some on the 3rd as the fourth of July is a holiday and most are off from work. After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to have it the Saturday before the 4th next year and then revisit the matter again at that time.
 - B. Ordinance O-17-13, amending the Water Reclamation Treatment Plant Fund budget
 The Mayor stated the Council held a discussion at the June 1 informational work session on
 the need to hire another employee at the WRTP. The Council concurred with the necessity
 and discussed how to fund it. This ordinance allows for a transfer of funds from the
 General Fund Reserves to cover the Town's portion, as this would be a shared expense by
 all partners. Mrs. Smith elaborated on this for the Council. The consensus of the Council
 was to not pull from the General Fund Reserves but preferred to see it be paid through the
 Utility Fund.
 - C. Request for additional funds in regards to the FCC BB&K Attorneys at Law are requesting additional funding for preparing reply comments before the FCC, in addition, to the \$1,000 already paid by the Town to participate in the initial filings. The consensus of the Council was to not support any additional funding in this matter.
 - D. Chambers Front Porch Entrance Repair Mrs. Wahl addressed the Council stating there are several issues with the entry way that need attention in order to provide safety but wanted the Council to be aware the repairs will slightly alter the appearance of Town Hall. Loose and cracking brick exist, a large step down is present and there is no handrail. Concrete poured over the existing brick is being proposed with the installation of a handrail. Mrs. Wahl stated from the proposed estimates received, repairs could range from \$5,000 up to \$8,000. Funds are available to do this repair and this will be presented at the Town Council meeting for consideration.
 - E. Planning and Zoning RFPs Mrs. Wahl stated an RFP was posted and proposals were received for the contracted position of a Planning and Zoning Administrator. Submitted were three proposals, including a proposal from current P & Z Administrator, Mr. Jakubiak.

Mrs. Wahl spoke briefly on the proposals and answered questions from the Council. The consensus of the Council was, that with such short notice to review the proposals, and the extreme importance of the position, that more time was needed to review the proposals.

F. Public Comment – Public comment was received by:

- Amenda Brown of 7537 H Street expressed her support in the comments made in regards to not taking from the General Fund Reserves to fund a new hire at the WRTP and asked clarification on a statement made earlier by Councilman Cumbo.
- 2. Susan Webster-Page of 3907 27th Street supported the Council in their decision to take the necessary time to consider the Planning & Zoning Administrator proposals, as she too, sees the extreme importance of this position.

IV. Adjournment:

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The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Jaworski. Seconded by Councilman Cumbo, all in favor.

Submitted by,

Sharon L. Humm

Town Clerk