



**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL  
WORK SESSION  
June 7, 2018**

**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, Gregory J. Morris, and Keith L. Pardieck, Council Members, Sharon L. Humm, Town Clerk, Holly K. Wahl, Town Administrator, Karen Federman Henry, Counsel, Laurie Smith, Town Treasurer, James Berry, Public Works Administrator, and Paul Woodburn, Town Engineer.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor called for a moment of silence in remembrance of Pat Osburn of the NBVFD.

**III. Informational Discussion on the following items:**

**A. Ethics Commission- Proposed amendments** –Commission Chairman Kete was present to address the Council on the Commission’s proposed amendments to the ethics ordinance. Mr. Kete addressed questions and concerns from the Council. There were several clarification items, concerns in regards to how many members would constitute a quorum for enforcement decisions, and several other matters the Commission will review with Commission Counsel. These items will be re-visited when discussion picks up again at the next work session.

**B. B Street Slope Deterioration** – Mrs. Wahl gave a general overview of the B Street slope condition. Due to heavy rains over the past several weeks the slope has failed in several areas. The Town has closed off the south end of the boardwalk from 14<sup>th</sup> & B to 11<sup>th</sup> & B. An onsite external review of the slope was conducted with local, state and private experts and stop work orders were issued on 3 active permits. The Mayor is proposing to bring forth an emergency ordinance at the June Council meeting asking Council to consider and approve a global slope stability analysis with Hillis Carnes Geotechnical Engineers to evaluate the current state. The ordinance will also address current and future development with possibly new or more stringent regulations on site planning and building in the area. This will affect the three current permit holders that have been issued stop work orders.

Due to the recent events, it has come to the Town’s attention, that at least six homes on B Street are connected to the sewer line that runs along the bay at the bottom of the slope. The rest of the homes have converted over to the sewer line on B Street. In light of the current situation, it would be in the Town’s best interest to redirect these six homes to the B Street line and abandon the line at the bottom of the slope. The Mayor is proposing to introduce an ordinance that would allow for the funding of this project. Mr. Berry gave an overview of what the project would involve and estimated the project to be around \$300,000. The Town Treasurer brought forth several funding options for the Council to consider.

**C. Purchase of lumber for the railway trail and boardwalks** – Mr. Berry stated, in regards to the railway trail, he is recommending purchasing the composite hand rail from Sneade’s Home Center in the amount of \$20,052.66 and doing the work in-house. With the Route

261 composite decking, he is recommending the purchase of 12 hacks (768 2"x6"x12') and 2 hacks (128 2"x8"x 12') of treated lumber. These prices are updated twice a week so updated quotes will be presented at the June meeting.

- D. Contracting the install of a trash overhang within the Kellam's complex-** Mr. Berry stated he has received 1 quote on this and is awaiting two others. This is a budgeted item. Mr. Berry stated upon receipt of the other quotes, he will forward to the Council and will be presenting a recommendation at the June meeting.
- E. Floodgate** – Mr. Berry stated for the floodgate structure house rehab project, he will be recommending awarding a contract to Andrews Construction in the amount of \$14,750 for this work.
- F. Recycle Bin purchase** – Mrs. Wahl stated the Town budgeted \$10,000 this FY for the purchase of 32-gallon recycling bins. A recommendation will be presented at the June Council meeting.
- G. General Paving RFP-** Mrs. Wahl stated the Town received proposals yesterday for the milling and repaving of various streets. The Town is estimating around 27,000 square feet of milling and overlay work to be performed and expects to utilize \$250,000 of Highway User Revenue to complete the paving in this Fiscal Year. The bids are still being reviewed at this time and a recommendation will be presented at the June Council meeting.
- H. Dredge Containment RFP-** Mrs. Wahl stated the Town has received proposals for the dredge facility rehabilitation. This project is a two phase project and this RFP covers Phase I. The Town will apply the \$125,000 grant from DNR waterway improvement fund along with funds from the dredge fund to cover this project. Bids will be reviewed with the Town Engineer and a recommendation will be presented at the June Council meeting.

#### **IV. Council Lightning Round**

1. Dr. Beaudin was excited to report, Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, the Dragon Boat races for End Hunger are on! Awesome team of paddlers, so come on out and support your town team!
2. Mr. Cumbo reiterated the importance of the Ethics Commission and the responsibility that lies within, especially in regards to investigations. Mr. Cumbo is requesting Council carefully consider safety measures to guide the Commission when conducting investigations. It would be in the best interest for all to have appropriate procedures and guidelines in place to ensure a fair and equitable process.
3. Mr. Jaworski wanted to thank the Mayor for the Town's donation of \$1,000 to the Fire Department in memory of Patricia Osburn. And on a lighter note, Mr. Jaworski stated he wanted the record to show, he was the only one in the building "Rockin the Red." GO CAPS!
5. Mr. Morris commented he appreciates the work sessions and the benefits they provide and wanted to commend the Mayor on the good responsible work tonight.
6. Mr. Pardieck stated an opioid awareness committee meeting was held at the NECC tonight on "Co-dependency and Enabling" presented by the Calvert County Health Department and trusted there was a good turnout. Mr. Pardieck reminded his

colleagues of the offer he extended in regards to getting the naloxone training. If any would be interested he could set up a date for that. Also, he inquired of the Mayor and Town Administration as to staff training.

7. Mr. Favret reported that the Maryland Department of Transportation is holding a public meeting this evening regarding their update to the Maryland Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan. He was pleased to announce that half of the walkable community advisory group is in attendance, participating, contributing and hopefully bringing back to the advisory group the results of that meeting. Mr. Favret will report on this at the June Council meeting.

**VI. Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Jaworski. Seconded by Councilwoman Beaudin, all in favor.

Submitted by,



Sharon L. Humm  
Town Clerk