



**MINUTES OF THE  
INFORMATIONAL WORK SESSION  
January 5, 2017**

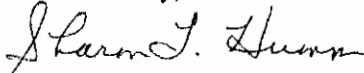
- I. Patrick J. Mahoney, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were: Dr. Valerie L. Beaudin, Stewart B. Cumbo, Derek J. Favret, Lawrence P. Jaworski, Gregory J. Morris and Keith L. Pardieck, Council Members, Sharon L. Humm, Town Clerk, Laurie Smith, Town Treasurer and Connie O'Dell, Utilities Billing Administrator/Community Development Director.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** – The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Informational Discussion on the following items:**
  - A. **Budget Overview:** Laurie Smith, Town Treasurer, was present to give the Mayor and Council an overview of the Town's operating funds. She touched on each fund and their function. She addressed the Council's questions.
  - B. **Committee Appointments:** The Mayor went over the present and newly formed committees and the appointees for each. The Mayor is looking to add these to the monthly agendas to be reported on as information presents itself. The Mayor also stated he had two future committees he is looking to form.
  - C. **Rules of Parliamentary Procedure:** The Mayor stated this was approved by the prior Council. The Mayor, then Councilman, along with Councilman Reinhardt, worked together using the Town's Charter, Roberts Rules and another book of Parliament to tailor a Rules of Parliament Procedure for Chesapeake Beach. The Mayor asked the Council to read over and if they had any questions or concerns to please contact him.
  - D. **Travel Expenses:** The Mayor stated that all travel expenses will need to be pre-approved by the Mayor as official town business in order to be reimbursed. The mileage rate is 53.5 cents per mile. As for the Ocean City MML Conference, receipts will be required for reimbursement of meals, allowing \$64 for a full day and \$48 for a travel day.
  - E. **Ordinance:** The Mayor stated it has come to his attention that Corporal Phelps is being promoted to Sergeant and both North Beach and Chesapeake Beach would like to keep him on. With that being said, the Mayor is looking to introduce an ordinance in February for Council to consider retaining Corporal Phelps at a cost of \$2,631 to the Town for the remainder of FY17.
  - F. **Ordinance:** The Mayor stated he has been approached with the request to reopen 18<sup>th</sup> Street, which is behind Roland's Grocery Store, to residential traffic only, in an effort to aid in the relief of the traffic congestion due to the bridge project. The Mayor gave a little history on 18<sup>th</sup> Street and suggested that maybe it could be closed on a 3 month trial basis allowing cars only, no trucks, the use of it but wanted the Council's input. Mrs. O'Dell commented that in talking with Mr. Jakubiak, Zoning Administrator, this request would need to come from the owners of the property, Steuart-Kret Investments, and not the lessee, Roland Pelletier.  
The Council had several concerns with this. Concerns mentioned were: 1) who would be responsible for enforcing that trucks did not use, 2) the traffic pattern/flow, 3) input from the residents that would be affected, 4) would there be any cost or maintenance involved,

and 5) maybe need a traffic study. The Mayor suggested the concerns of the Council be relayed to Mr. Jakubiak for comment.

- G. Ordinance:** The Mayor stated he would be introducing an ordinance in February for a vote in March for Council to consider a budget amendment to increase Town Council compensation from \$3,000 to \$5,000 on a half year basis.
- H. Planning and Zoning and Board of Appeals Appointments:** The Mayor stated he would be asking Council consideration for the appointment of Charlie Fink, Robert Gray and Cynthia Greengold to the P&Z Commission and David Ferguson to the Board of Appeals at the January meeting. The Mayor suggested the Council reach out to each one.
- I. Ethics Ordinance:** The Mayor stated the previous Mayor and Council worked to bring about an Ethics ordinance that the State would approve. Feeling the State model requirements were more than Chesapeake Beach needed, a committee took the State's Ethics model and tailor-made it to relate to Chesapeake Beach. The Council passed the Ethics ordinance that was drafted but the State Ethics Commission did not deem it acceptable. The Mayor stated that Chesapeake Beach is one of a few left in the State of Maryland without an approved ordinance but indeed needs one. The Mayor asked for comments from the Council and after discussion, suggested that Councilwoman Beaudin and Councilman Favret work with the Town Attorney and draft an ordinance she feels the State would accept and bring to the Council in a work session.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Dr. Beaudin. Seconded by Mr. Favret, all in favor.

Submitted by,



Sharon L. Humm  
Town Clerk