

Town of Rising Sun
Mayor & Commissioners Town Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2015

Let it be remembered that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Rising Sun, held a Town Meeting on the 3rd floor of the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, May 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM. For the record the meeting place and time were duly posted as required.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Travis Marion, Vice Mayor George Walker, Commissioners Authenreath, and Warnick.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Jennifer Scully.

STAFF/CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Town Administrator Calvin A. Bonenberger, Jr., and Town Clerk Marsha J. Spencer.

IN THE MATTER OF CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Travis Marion followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

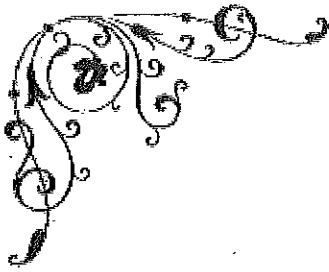
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve the Minutes of April 28, 015. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Jeff Sellers presented a request to change zoning regulation for Wellington Manor that would permit agricultural use. Jeff has received two contracts for sale of the property to farmers. The essential difference between R1 and R2 zoning is density i.e. how many homes are allowed on the property. The Planning & Zoning Commission could review the change to R2 and also obtain legal interpretation.

IN THE MATTER OF BUSINESS MEETING ITEMS:

Resolution 2015-02 – Sustainable Communities Technical Advisory Committee – Appointment of a five member committee consisting of Mayor Marion, Commissioner Warnick, Planning Commission Ex Officio Commissioner Authenreath, Chairperson Shelly Leishear from the Rising Sun Arts Council and Amanda Cameron Vaughan from the Rising Sun Economic Development Commission to review and assist the Department of Community Housing and Development and the Maryland Department of Planning to compile all the necessary data in order to designate the target areas and to define the scope of the Town's designation as a sustainable community.



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Such designation will give the Town access to grants and low interest loans that help achieve various programs for the benefits of residents and businesses that promote and facilitate equitable, affordable housing by expanding energy-efficient housing choices among other various benefits. Mayor Marion read Resolution 2015-02 into the record. Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve this resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

Resolution 2015-03 - Historic Commission Appointments – Mayor Marion read this resolution into the record resolving the appointment of Thomas S. Mumey and Jo Ann Jamison to the Board of Directors of the Town of Rising Sun's Historical Commission to serve a two-year term set to expire in February 2017. Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick, seconded by Commissioner Walker and carried 3-0 to approve this Resolution 2015-03.

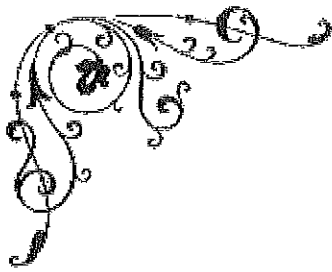
Resolution 2015-04 - Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Itself for Construction Cost – Town Administrator Bonenberger read Resolution 2015-04 into the record explaining the need for the town to reimburse itself for funds expended for replacement and construction of water, sanitary sewer and utility lines from proceeds of bonds issued to finance such costs. Motion was made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Warnick to approve Resolution 2015-04. Motion carried 3-0.

Selection of 3rd Party Contractor to Operate the New Sewer Plant – Commissioner Walker read the letter from CDM Smith recommending award of full service operations, maintenance and management of the wastewater treatment plant to Miller Environmental. Motion made by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Warnick and carried 3-0.

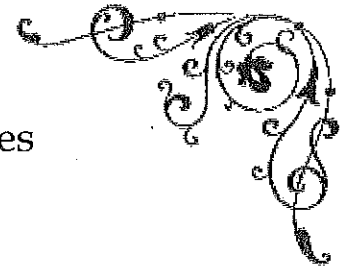
Citizens' Input – Some comments were received.

IN THE MATTER OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Resubmitting the Economic Development RFP now that the Designation of Sustainable Community as a deliverable has been removed.
- USDA Grant Application to get cost of study covered.
- Working out details of an agreement for third party electrical inspection with Walter W. Grainger Jr. from Bay Area Inspection for one year.
- State Fire Marshall – With consideration to a seamless umbrella for code enforcement, Mr. Bonenberger will secure designation as Assistant State Fire Inspector. An ordinance will be completed to adopt Life Safety Code and International Fire Code.
- Property Maintenance Code will be completed and distributed.



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Any infractions are handled through a process of twenty days to pay a fine, a summons by our Police Department with a court date with Mr. Bonenberger as Code Enforcement Officer.

- Financial Long-Range Plans – next meeting to present a balanced budget. \$15—18 Million of projects need to be considered – as presented in January at the mid-year budget review.

IN THE MATTER OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Cecil Leadership Class participated in a service project at Veterans Park. County Executive Terry Moore impressed with park and trails.
- Ceding seat to Emily Baker who will be Mayor for a day for winning essay contest.
- Conowingo essays – 3 winners will serve as co-mayors on another date.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Authenreath:

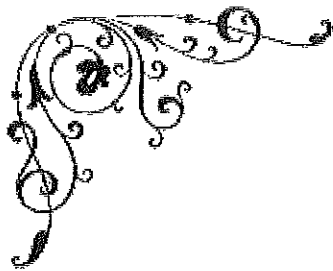
- Since ordinances are cumbersome to create and enforce for EVERY issue, please be mindful of neighbors, especially with respect to high grass, barking dogs and free range cats. Also be sure to leave water for animals.
- Planning Commission will meet May 18th at 6:30 PM.
- New sliding board is installed.

Commissioner Walker:

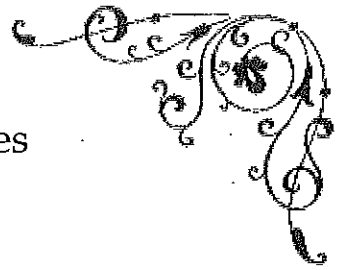
- Waste Water Treatment Plant – Construction nearly completed as shown by the hiring of an operator.

Commissioner Warnick:

- Eagle Scout Project at Veterans' Park – photos showed grading, addition of stones, building a bridge across the wetland
- Thanks to Mayor for encouraging thirty members of Cecil Leadership to help last Saturday
- Helped Octorara Water Association with Operation Clean Stream
- Removed 16,000 pounds of scrap metal – \$800 in value
- Triangle Dog Park – Scouts are building bridge and boardwalk; curbing will be added for wheelchair safety.
- DNR Grant has been submitted for end of June award.
- Thanks to Public Works crew: Ron, Darrel, Grant and Chris for installing new sliding board.



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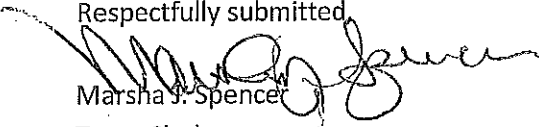
The Mayor added that Martins Food Stores donated a substantial amount for Movies in the Park. Another donor is needed.

The next regularly stated meeting is Tuesday, May 26 at 7 PM.

Reminder: tomorrow evening's meeting was moved to this evening so that everyone might attend Cecil County Night tomorrow at the Wilmington Blue Rocks Stadium. The Mayor will throw the first pitch.

Commissioner Walker made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Warnick and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted

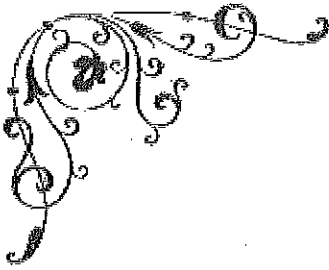

Marsha J. Spencer

Town Clerk

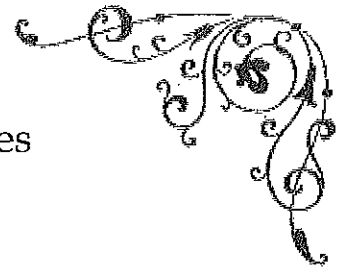
Motion to approve these minutes made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Scully at the May 26, 2015 Town Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

DECLARATION AND VERIFICATION OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Marsha J. Spencer, Clerk for the Town of Rising Sun, Maryland, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing minutes are a true, perfect and complete copy of the Minutes adopted by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Rising Sun, Maryland, and is identical to the original thereof appearing in the official records of the Town of Rising Sun, Maryland and the same has not, since its adoption, been rescinded or amended in any respect.



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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed the seal of the Town of Rising Sun as of this 26th day of May 2015.

Respectfully submitted

Marsha J. Spencer
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE & TOWN SEAL

(STATE OF MARYLAND)
(COUNTY OF CECIL)
(TOWN OF RISING SUN)