

Let it be remembered the that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Rising Sun, held a Town meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Town Hall on Tuesday evening December 14, 2010 at 7:00 PM. For the record the meeting place and time were duly posted as required.

<u>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Mayor Sandra Didra, Commissioner Clinton E. Bowers, Commissioner Chris Callahan, Commissioner Thomas S. Mumey and Commissioner Augie Pierson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF/CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Calvin Bonenberger Town Administrator

GUESTS: See Attached List

<u>MEETING OPENING</u> — The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Sandra Didra followed by a pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES — Mayor asked for any corrections to the minutes for the October 26, 2010 Town Meeting. These minutes were redone due to difficulties in retrieving from the recording devise. (See November 23, 2010 minutes) Motion was made by Commissioner Callahan seconded by Commissioner Bowers to approve the minutes. Motion carried 3-0 with Commissioner Pierson abstaining, due to absence from meeting in question. Mayor Didra asked for any correction to the minutes for the November 23, 2010 Town Meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Pierson and seconded by Commissioner Bowers to approve the Town minutes of November 23, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Didra asked Mr. Bonenberger to read into the minutes the Executive Session meeting held December 14, 2010. Mr. Bonenberger reported that a closed meeting was held December 14th 2010 on the 2nd floor of Town Hall. The reason for the meeting was to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals. Commissioner Pierson motioned a vote seconded by Commissioner Mumey to approve the minutes for the Executive Session meeting the vote carried unanimously.





Mr. Saddler reported that the Town Audit is complete and was submitted to Mr. Bonenberger. He reported that the Town is in good fiscal shape. Mr. Saddler stated that revenues are down however spending is also down. He reported that the audit report is available through the Town Administrator and is posted on the Towns' website. Mr. Saddler answered questions from Town residents.

Mr. Bob Fisher from the audience asked questions concerning the audit, which were answered by Mr. Saddler. With no other questions from the board, Mayor Didra thanked Mr. Saddler for the presentation.

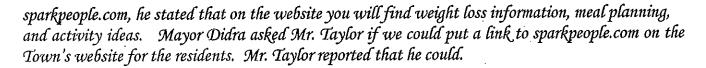
Mayor Didra introduced Ms. Tigist Zegeye Executive Director from WILMAPCO to present the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan.

Ms. Zegeye presented a brochure explaining what WILMAPCO Regional Transportation Plan meant and what their goals are. She reported that the current plan expires March 2011 therefore WILMAPCO must adopt a new plan that goes beyond 2030. She stated that the goals and objectives are to improve quality of life, efficiently transport people and support economic growth, activity and goods movement. She stated that regional challenges are financing the transportation system, creating alternatives to the automobile and meeting the needs of our aging population. She also added that improving air quality and preserving our infrastructure are challenges. Ms. Zegeye reported that financially Maryland is doing better than most regions, and Maryland's financial outlook is good. Ms. Zegeye answered questions from the Town residents. She stated that a letter will be sent out in January 2011 requesting any services that the Town will require from WILMAPCO.

Mayor Didra thanked Ms. Zegeye and introduced Mr. Dave Taylor to present his General Health, Wellness & Fitness Program.

Mr. Taylor reported that he would like to make a donation to the Historical museum. He presented a brochure illustrated by Mr. Bill Graham. from the 40's and 50's recollecting his 12 years of hunting and fishing at Broad Creek and Glen Cove in Harford County. Mr. Taylor passed out a hand-out out about a Town in Minnesota that conducted a health and fitness challenge program. He stated that the results of the challenge was that their functional age decreased sufficiently and participating residents lost an average of 3 pounds over the year. Mr. Taylor reported on a website called





Mayor Didra thanked Mr. Taylor for the presentation.

MAYOR'S REPORT - No Report

<u>FINANCES</u> – No Report

SEWER AND WATER REPORT - No Report

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS REPORT - No Report

<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u> — Commissioner Pierson reported that the new police cars will have their lights installed by the end of the week and will be on the road.

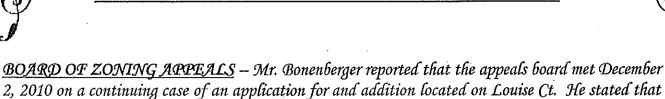
<u>PARKS AND RECREATION</u> – Commissioner Bowers reported that two of the three log cabin quotes have fallen through and he is pursuing new quotes. Commissioner Bowers also reported on the banner project, stating that they have been ordered and as soon as they arrive Mr. Ron Thomas will install them. Commissioner Bowers reported that Mr. Rossetti received a letter for final approval of a grant for the Water Shed project at Triangle Park.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR — Mr. Bonenberger reported on the in-house training for the utility billing system, tentatively scheduled for the week of the 17th. He stated that we have decided to delay the training until the first or second week of January 2011 due to a couple of transitional items that need to be done. He stated that he is aware that the Town wants to give the residents plenty of advance notice of the change of scheduling as a result. Mr. Bonenberger reported on the Water Meter Project. He stated that this is the week that the contractors are back in Town. He reported that out of the 160 properties that have not been retrofitted and as of today 70 residents have scheduled appointments.

<u>PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD</u> – Mr. Bonenberger reported that the next Planning and Zoning meeting will be in January 2011.



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CODE ENFORCEMENT - No Report

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION - No Report

after the board received updated information, a variance was granted.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> – Commissioner Callahan reported to the Board that his water meter has been retrofitted.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> – The December 28<sup>th</sup> Town meeting will be cancelled.

<u>CITIZEN'S INPUT</u> – Mr. Bob Fisher had questions that was answered by the Board.

Mr. Jeffery Jackson voiced concerns about not having a retro-fitted water meter. He stated that due to various reasons, he found it very difficult to schedule an appointment.

Ms. Dee Emsley voiced concerns about scheduling the third floor for the Youth Panel and asked why the Town has not decorated the streets for Christmas.

Mayor Didra answered that the Town is waiting for Holiday banners, and due to vandalism in prior years, it was decided not to hang lights from the poles.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – With no other business before the board a motion was made by Commissioner Bowers seconded by Commissioner Pierson to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Calvin A Bonenberger Jr.,

Town Administrator / Acting Town Clerk



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Motion to approve the Minutes:

<u>Commissioner Pierson</u>, seconded by <u>Commissioner Mumey</u>

Motion Passed 4 to 0

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

SS:

CERTIFICATE

I, Calvin A Bonenberger, Town Administrator and Interim Town Clerk for the Town of Rising Sun, Maryland, do herby 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.

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 January 2011.

Calvin A Bonenberger Jr.,
Town Administrator / Acting Town Clerk