Town of Rising Sun Mayor & Commissioners Town Meeting Minutes April 28, 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, April 28, 2015 at 7:00 PM. For the record the meeting place and time were duly posted as required.

<u>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Mayor Travis Marion, Vice Mayor George Walker, Commissioners Authenreath, Scully and Warnick.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

<u>STAFF/CONSULTANTS PRESENT:</u> 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.

<u>IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Scully to approve the Minutes of April 14, 2015. Motion carried 4-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Marion read the Tourism Proclamation for the month of May.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE:

- 208 calls for service since April 15.
- New law known as "Body Camera" Bill will relieve some regulations and permit the department to forward with plans to purchase body cameras.

IN THE MATTER OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Town Administrator reported the Minutes of the Executive Session of April 27th at 6:30 PM on second floor of Town Hall.
- Intent and rules have been made regarding the Open Meetings Act, which has been moved to another part of the Maryland Code.



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IN THE MATTER OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Contractor at Ryan Drive is digging inspection holes.
- One of the goals is to ensure some longevity with these repairs.
- Requests for building permits have increased.
- Handicap accessibility issues are considered Civil Liberty violations different than building/fire code issues. Tracking and giving proactive notice to address a string of three ADA issues.
- Making a point to work through issues and welcome businesses into town.

IN THE MATTER OF THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION:

With the expiration of the terms of some appointed board members, the elected body needs to appoint some new board members.

IN THE MATTER OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Many thanks were expressed to volunteers this past weekend who assisted with cleanup at Stephens Road, Tome Highway, Rising Sun High School, Plumpton Park Zoo and Veterans Park.
- The Mayor's Essay Contest has concluded with a stack of essays to be reviewed from the Conowingo Elementary School. Special arrangements are being made for recognition of the student at Rising Sun Elementary.
- Volunteers from the Boys Tigers Town Ambush basketball team repainted and resurfaced the swing set and picnic table/bench at Diddie Richardson Park.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS:

- Commissioner Warnick read a report on resolution of a complaint by Roger Lamb on the Open Meetings
- Mayor Marion expressed sympathy and consolation for Ron Thomas and his family at the passing of their daughter.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Authenreath:

- Identified some items that were missed on Phase 1 of the road evaluations completed by KCI.
- Phase 2 sidewalk evaluations is proceeding along with evaluation of storm drains.
- Ryan Drive -- much work is being performed in-house with the Public Works Department
- The next Planning Commission meeting is 6:30 PM, May 18th.

Commissioner Scully: No report.



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Commissioner Walker:

- Waste Water Construction plant is moving nicely with targeted start up planned for July 13th.
- Decision for plant operator by June first or so.
- Meeting tomorrow regarding Chester Water line.
- As a result of expenditures for repairs on Ryan Drive and other water line and for costs at the waste water treatment plant, Commissioner Walker encouraged spending with care.

Commissioner Warnick:

- Moving dirt and stone at Triangle Dog Park.
- Octorara Watershed Award Riverkeeper award for conservation, stream stewardship, etc.
- Boy Scouts cleanup with many loads of trash, old tires, scrap metal, etc.
- Full loop around Veterans Park.
- Triangle Dog Park Scout Project bridge in place.
- Richardson Park sanding and painting job.
- Environmental Learning platform framing this weekend.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, May 11 at 7 PM.

Commissioner Walker made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Warnick and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Märsha J. Spencei

Town Clerk

Motion to approve these minutes was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Scully.

Motion carried 3-0.



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DECLARATION AND VERIFICATION OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Marsha J. Spencer, 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 11th day of May 2015.

Respectfully submitted

Marsha J. Spencer

Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE & TOWN SEAL

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