Town of Rising Sun Mayor & Commissioners Town Meeting Minutes April 14, 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 14, 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.

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

GUEST(S) PRESENT: Delegate Kevin B. Hornberger and Rupert Rossetti, Octorara Watershed Association

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Scully to approve the Minutes of March 24, 2015. Motion carried 4-0.

<u>IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS</u>: Delegate Kevin Hornberger presented a framed copy of the now dated logo for the Town of Rising Sun. He also presented a citation of congratulations for outstanding service to Mayor Marion for his outstanding work with the Town and its youth.

IN THE MATTER OF CITIZENS' INPUT: Some comments were noted.

IN THE MATTER OF STAFF REPORTS:

IN THE MATTER OF TOWN FINANCIALS: Copies of the Financial Reports for the nine months ended March 31, 2015 were shared and will be reviewed when Patricia Wagner returns.



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IN THE MATTER OF THE REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

- Presented existing zoning map in comparison to the preliminary draft prepared by KCI Engineers. This new Zoning map will conveniently overlap Google Earth, shows correct zoning codes, correctly lists the Knutsen track, and highlights municipally-owned properties.
- Provided updates on the rate studies being conducted by Davenport.
- Plans are underway to hire an operator for the Sewer Plant for the first year or two.
- Provided a status on the financing for the Sewer Plant.

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

- 345 calls for service between 3/24 4/14.
- A reported vandalism on Ryan Drive led to two arrests.
- Great attendance and police coverage at the annual Little League Parade.
- Be mindful of moving about town on April 25 with the scheduled 5K Tiger Trot.
- Plans to resume "An Evening with the Chief" beginning May 21st.
- Unveiled "No Texting and Driving" campaign this past week.

IN THE MATTER OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Pledges for "Texting and Driving" initiative will be posted and available at Town Hall.
- Mayor's Essay Contest included visits to the elementary schools with plans to make a special local award and presentation.
- Plans to conduct the second annual Color Run on June 13th, 9 AM 2 PM.
- Presentation of annual donation at Community Fire Company of Rising Sun.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Rossetti of the Octorara Watershed Association will lead park clean ups on Saturday, April 11, April 25 at Veterans Memorial Park, and another on Stephens Road.
- Mayor Marion will attend the Watershed's annual dinner on April 16th to receive the Riverkeeper award for the Town's work on water quality and improvement initiatives.
- Cecil County Night is planned at the Blue Rocks Stadium in Wilmington on Tuesday, May 12th. Motion was made by Commissioner Authenreath, and seconded by Commissioner Scully to reschedule the May 12th Town Meeting to Monday, 5/11th at 7 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Authenreath:

Appreciation to KCI Engineering for moving so quickly on the new Zoning Map.



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- A 165-page Road Study has also been completed by KCI Engineers.
- Shared personal testimony for "Texting Awareness" month with a recent car accident that could have ended tragically.
- Thanks to Rising Sun Fire Department, and Maryland State Police as well as the Town for their note for a quick recovery accompanied by a fruit basket.
- Thanks to the Boy Scouts for their participation in the parks.

Commissioner Scully:

Added another perspective to "No Texting While Driving" Campaign with parental comments of "Where are you?"

Commissioner Walker:

- Waste Water Construction plant is moving nicely with targeted start up planned for July 15th.
- The plant operator should be hired by June first or so. A pre-bid conference is scheduled for tomorrow for a recommendation for initial startup.
- Discussions have commenced on the Chester Water line.

Commissioner Warnick:

- The County has agreed to do the engineering work for storm water management at Veterans Park.
- Presentations have been made to the Little League and American Legion to gain their approval for the portion of the project that affects their property.
- Application has been made to the Chesapeake & Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund Cost Effective Non Point Source Pollution Reduction Grant Program.
- Eagle Scouts and their parents helped clean up large volume of debris.
- Met with MDE and Army Corps of Engineer to assist with designation of non-wetlands to start scout project. Ecotone, an environmental consulting firm, has provided an estimate of \$3,500 to 4,000.
- Motion was made by Commissioner Warnick to approve up to \$4,000 for Ecotone to do a wetlands delineation evaluation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Authenreath and carried 4-0.
- 4/25 stream cleanup mentioned earlier (scheduled during the Tiger Trot).

With a reminder not to text and drive, Commissioner Scully made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Walker and meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha J. Spencer

Town Clerk



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Motion to approve these minutes was made by Commissioner Warnick and seconded by Commissioner Scully at the April 28, 2015 meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

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 28th day of April 2015.

Respectfully submitted

Marsha V. Spencer

Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE & TOWN SEAL

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