

Commissioners of Hebron  
100 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 299  
Hebron, Maryland 21830

## **MINUTES**

August 19, 2020

**CLOSED SESSION:** A closed session was held at 6:00 pm. The purpose 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 personal matter that affects one or more specific individuals. State Government Article § 10-508(a): (1) (i) (ii)

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The commission was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Rick Dwyer with the announcement they were coming out of the closed session referenced above. Commissioners David Hooper, Amelia Handy and Colby Phippin were present. Commissioner Chester Sebald was absent. Pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited by everyone who was in attendance.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of August 5, 2020 meeting were presented. Vice president Hooper made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Handy. The motion was passed unanimously.

## **POLICE REPORT**

1. The July 2020 Wicomico County Sheriff's report was circulated.

## **BUILDING PERMITS**

1. Adriean Hayward, 101 W. Walnut Permit #1255 Roof – RD/CP/CS/AH/DH. Phone vote was acknowledged for the record.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. MTA Request – Town Manager Julie Bellamy briefed the group as Commissioner Sebald was not present. A question arose about maintenance and citizen Dan Parsons stated he would volunteer. In the discussion which followed Vice president Hooper strongly expressed the desire for “Memorial” to be part of the garden. Commissioner Handy agreed stating it was for the townspeople and if the MTA was requiring restrictions, perhaps another site would be more appropriate.
2. Speed Sign Solicitation – Commissioner Hooper stated the Maryland MVA had one in their budget, but it got cut. It was suggested Vice president Hooper approach the Sheriff to use theirs until next year when MVA would have one available.
3. ShoreScan Solutions Proposal – Commissioner Handy briefed those present. After much discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Phippin to internally come up with a system and decline ShoreScan. Vice president Hooper seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
4. Disposal of Chevrolet truck – Chair Dwyer announced the vehicle had been sold for \$3,500.00.
5. Electronic Sign Proposal – The quote from Selby sign was more than budgeted, buy would be considered for FY22 budget cycle.
6. Aerial Photography Proposal- Commissioners Sebald & Hooper had not made sufficient progress on seeking alternatives and the issue was tabled.
7. Ethics Commission Disclosure Statement for signature – All present completed.
8. Sustainable Growth – Commissioner Phippin brought up the lack of progress and was asked to contact Tracy Gordy from Maryland State Planning to pick up where the COVID shutdown left off.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Water Tower - Location Alternatives – Commissioner Dwyer mentioned several alternative sites would be included in the funding request and stated the need to reach out to the private landowners involved.

2. Connectivity – Commissioner Phippin mentioned the need for more responsive and less expensive internet provider. The commission agreed he should bring Delmarva IT Solutions in for an evaluation and quote to provide services.
3. Mandatory Recycling – Senate Bill 370 – Wicomico County sent a letter referencing mandatory recycling by October 1, 2021, but it was determined Hebron did not meet the square footage to be required to comply.
4. Leak/Structural Issue from Vestibule – Engineer Report & Quotes were presented by Chair Dwyer. In the discussion which followed it was suggested to pursue demolition and to contact local architects to evaluate.
5. Appointment to Planning Commission was tabled.
6. Hebron Savings Bank Cash Management Annual Review – Signatures were acquired expressing agreement.
7. Correspondence – Thank you from Family of Don Beach was read by Chair Dwyer.
8. Vice president Hooper brought up the need for more restrictive Curb Appeal regulations.
9. Commissioner Phippin brought up the need to enforce keeping sidewalks clear for pedestrians.
10. Vice president Hooper brought up the need for a diesel tank to supply fuel for the new dozer to be purchased. Vice president Hooper made a motion to accept the bid from Taylor Oil for \$2045.00. Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Vice president Hooper made a second motion to purchase 200 gallons of diesel to fill the tank 2/3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Phippin. The motion passed with all present in favor.
11. Vice president Hooper brought up the complaint at S. Main where they were assessed fees associated with a force-cut of the grass. The complaint was that the grass was cut before proper notice was given to the owner. Vice president Hooper made a motion to waive the fee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Phippin and all voted in favor. In the discussion which followed, going to a three part form to streamline the process would be better going forward.

## **OTHER**

1. Public comment came from Donald Adkins who wished to combine 410A and 410 B Chestnut street and asked how to move forward. Chair

Dwyer suggested he get a surveyor who could walk him through the process.

## **APPROVE CHECKS**

8-19-20 Commissioner Fund Bills	Check Nos. 18319-18327
8-19-20 Sewer Fund Bills	Check Nos. 6891-6896

Commissioner Handy made a motion to approve the checks listed above for payment and the motion was seconded by Vice president Hooper. The Motion was passed unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice President Hooper to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Phippin. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amelia Handy, Secretary