

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL WORK SESSION FEBRUARY 8, 2021

- I. Patrick J. Mahoney, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance remotely were: Dr. Valerie Beaudin, Derek J. Favret, L. Charles Fink, Lawrence P. Jaworski, Gregory J. Morris, and Keith L. Pardieck, Council Members, Holly K. Wahl, Town Administrator, Sharon L. Humm, Town Clerk, Dale Clark, Town Treasurer, and Todd Pounds, Town Attorney.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Informational Discussion on the following items:

- 1. <u>Update on the Comprehensive Plan</u> Zoning Administrator Christopher Jakubiak presented a power point presentation to brief the Council on the current status of the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Jakubiak gave an overview of the Land Use Recommendations and briefly reviewed the five major policy areas. Mr. Jakubiak addressed the Council's questions. For the record, it was noted there is NO suggestion of eminent domain in the plan.
- 2. Deputy addition allocated to the Town of Chesapeake Beach Mrs. Wahl stated the Council approved the addition of a deputy in the FY21 budget to be shared with the Town of North Beach at a split cost. At this time, the Town of North Beach has declined to participate in the cost of the deputy, leaving the Town 100% responsible for the cost if the Council chooses to move forward. It is being recommended the Town add the deputy at 100% Town coverage. It was noted that this expenditure is within the expected budgeted costs for Police & Deputy services for FY21. The Council expressed comments and Mrs. Wahl addressed questions.
- 3. <u>Closed Session</u> Councilman Jaworski moved to close the work session at 7:25 pm under the Statutory Authority of the Md. Annotated Code, pursuant to General Provisions Article, §3-305(b), subsection (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice pertaining to a contract at the Water Reclamation Treatment Plant. Seconded by Councilman Fink, all in favor.

The Mayor reopened the regular meeting at 7:55 pm on a motion by Councilman Favret. Seconded by Councilman Jaworski, all in favor.

IV. Council Lightning Round -

- 1. Dr. Beaudin appreciated the update on the Comprehensive Plan.
- 2. Mr. Fink reported the Walkable Community Group received the final plan from RK&K. The Group will review, and Mr. Fink looks to give a report at the upcoming Council meeting.
- 3. Mr. Jaworski commented he looks forward to future discussions on the Comprehensive Plan stating this is a true opportunity for all of us to leave a positive mark on the Town for decades to come. Thanks to Mrs. Wahl and Mr. Berry and his crew on the great job they have done with the snowstorms we have had. Keep up the good work!

- 4. Mr. Morris stated he has attended a number of Planning and Zoning meetings of late. Mr. Morris commented there is a lot that is covered at those meetings and emphasized the importance of not rushing through things. He pledges to participate and give his best. He echoed Councilman Favret's comments in regard to covering the additional deputy, agreeing this would be an opportunity to discuss combining new technology that would assist and support in additional coverage moving forward.
- 5. Mr. Pardieck echoed Councilman Jaworski's comments on how everyone working together and working towards seeing and making visions come true in Town is a great feeling. Mr. Pardieck noted the Child Nutrition Department of Calvert County Public Schools will be distributing Grab-n-Go meals on Wednesday, February 10th due to predicted inclement weather and a peer-led teen mental health support group for grades 9-12 is being offered every fourth Friday of each month via zoom. For information call 410-326-1150.
- 6. Mr. Favret reported he had the opportunity to speak with a local girl scout troop that was working towards their democracy badge. They mentioned a community service type project they are working on to earn the bronze award. Mr. Favret extended an invitation to the troop to come to a future Council meeting and speak in regard to their project. Also, Mr. Favret thanked Mr. Jakubiak for the Comprehensive Plan presentation.

V. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Jaworski. Seconded by Councilwoman Beaudin, all in favor.

Submitted by,

Sharon L. Humm

Town Clerk



To: The Honorable Mayor and Town Council Subject: Chesapeake Beach Deputy Addition

Date: February 5, 2021

From: Holly Wahl, Town Administrator

BACKGROUND:

The Town Council approved the addition of a deputy in the FY21 budget to be shared with the Town of North Beach at the current agreed upon split in cost of 65% Town of Chesapeake Beach and 35% Town of North Beach.

The Town of North Beach has declined to participate in the cost of adding the Deputy, leaving the option for the Town of Chesapeake Beach to add the Deputy with 100% coverage for the Town. This expenditure is within the expected budgeted costs for Police & Deputy services for the Town in FY21.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Town add the Deputy at 100% Town coverage, providing the Town with 9 shared Deputies allocated at 65% Town of Chesapeake Beach and 35% Town of North Beach and 2 Deputies serving the Town of Chesapeake Beach at 100%.

This recommendation is based on the desire to increase self-initiated patrol checks by vehicle, bike and foot, expected increase in recreational activities and expected continued public health restrictions.