

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL  
WORK SESSION  
May 11, 2020**

**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, James Berry, Public Works Manager, Connie O’Dell, Utility Billing Administrator, and Jon Castro, WRTP Manager.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor wished all the mothers a Happy Mother’s Day.

**III. Informational Discussion on the following items:**

1. **Referendum Ordinance** – The Mayor stated the Council discussed this in a previous work session. The Mayor presented to the Council two referendum questions for discussion and consideration. The questions are in regards to awarding licenses for 1) full casino gaming, and 2) sports betting. The Council was in agreement to the questions with the recommendation that the word “additional” be removed from the question regarding full casino gaming and the word “only” be removed from the question regarding sports betting. The Mayor stated he would work with the Town Attorney regarding verbiage.
2. **Light up the Town Installation and Electrical Connection RFP** – Mrs. Wahl reported an RFP was released for both display installation and electrical connection. A mandatory pre-bid was held with only two contractors in attendance and sealed proposals were received. One proposal submitted by Windmill Farms for installation was received, and one proposal submitted by Wires, Inc for electrical connection was received, both for a three (3) year, and a five (5) year lump sum with a breakdown per year. Mrs. Wahl addressed the Council’s questions and stated this is a covered item in the budget. In regards to cost savings, it is being recommended the Town initiate 5 year contracts with both contractors.
3. **FY21 WRTP budget amendment**- Mr. Clark and Mrs. Wahl addressed the WRTP budget amendment being presented to Council for consideration. A meeting was held with the Plant’s Partners with a recommendation to spread the cost for the filter enclosure project over two years. The capital expenditures would be reduced from \$939K to \$250K which would only cover the structure and engineering cost and the remaining \$689K would be built into FY22. Mr. Clark presented the Exhibit A with the proposed line item changes needed. Mr. Clark addressed questions from the Council. The Town awaits approval from MDE on the two years. It was noted that the Town has applied for a grant for this project.

4. **FY21 Utility Fund budget amendment-** Based on the proposed amendment to the WRTP budget, the Utility Fund budget would also need to be amended. Mr. Clark stated the new capital expenditure cost for the Town of \$135,372 would be added in the fixed cost under Expenses and said amount added under Revenues-Other in the Unallocated reserves from UF MLGIP line item. It was noted that the Town still anticipates paying off the bond.

#### **IV. Council Lightning Round –**

1. Mr. Favret wanted to thank everyone that was involved in finding the mutual solution to keep pedestrian access available for the south side residents and also supports increasing our other opportunities in Town when the time is right.
2. Mr. Pardieck thanked Holly and Fran for their assistance with the Sandhill Crane situation. Also, with the State receiving COVID-19 relief money, was inquiring as to whether the County and/or Town would receive any of that relief money.
3. Mr. Morris wanted to express thanks to everyone for being patient during this difficult time and hopes to see everyone soon. Hang in there!
4. Mr. Jaworski wanted to thank Holly and the Town staff for doing a great job during this time and reported for those that had not heard, that North Beach Mayor Mike Benton decided to have a limited re-opening of the town with the Boardwalk, Sunrise Gardens and Overlook Park.
5. Mr. Fink wanted to share an anecdote that happened to him the other day. With the state of mind of some during this time, he was riding his bike and encountered the wrath of an angry motorist. He wanted to say be patient, safe, and share the road!
6. Dr. Beaudin wanted to express her thanks also to the Town staff, Mayor and Council. She looks forward to when the Town will be able to open up the Railway Trail in some capacity. On another note, her thoughts go out to the seniors, who during this time, will be missing out on their prom, walking the stage, and so much more. Dr. Beaudin looks to discuss the water park situation soon.

#### **V. Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Fink. Seconded by Councilman Pardieck, all in favor.

Submitted by,

Sharon L. Humm  
Town Clerk

