

**TOWN OF CECILTON**  
**Mayor and Council Regular Session Meeting**  
**Monday August 27, 2018**

The Mayor and Council held a Regular Session Meeting in Town Hall on Monday August 27, 2018. The following were in attendance:

Joseph A. Zang, III, Mayor

Mike Cooper, Member  
Craig DeVary, Member

Danielle Zack, Member

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REVIEW AND ACT:**

**Monday, August 13, 2018 Mayor and Council Work Session Meeting Minutes:**

Member DeVary made a motion to accept the Monday, August 13, 2018 Work Session Meeting Minutes as written. Member Cooper seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**July Final Financials and Account Balances:**

July Final Financials and Account Balances were presented. Member Cooper motioned to accept the July Final Financials and Account Balances as written. Member DeVary seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Ree Cinelli, Cecilton resident, expressed concern about the presence of drug dealing at Parklands Apartments. She has witnessed this and has called the police. She has tried to encourage neighbors to call, but they are afraid to say anything. Mayor Zang encouraged Cinelli to keep on calling if she continues to see such acts and to text him also. Cinelli also expressed that the former apartment manager said that the one individual is no longer on the lease. Mayor Zang replied that the manager would not tell the town whether or not he was on the lease. Member DeVary are asked if the manager are doing monthly checks/inspections. Cinelli expressed that she has not seen anyone in her apartment in six months. Mayor Zang stated that he cannot do anything unless he has apartment numbers and issues, so he can go to David Holden, the president of the company, for a meeting with the maintenance and manager personnel. Residents don't want to make waves or get involved. Mayor Zang commented that he would meet with Scott Adams.

NAACP Banquet: Rocky Benson explained that the banquet is a scholarship banquet. They pick two students going into their freshman year of college to provide \$1000 scholarships. Benson asked the Mayor and Council to buy tickets or place an ad to assist in this effort. Mayor Zang suggested the Town pay for an ad. Member Cooper motioned to fund a full colored page ad with the Town Logo. Member Zack seconded the motion. The motion carried to place a full colored page ad in the Kent County Chapter of NAACP Banquet Booklet.

Chesapeake City Ecumenical Association Donation: This is a group out of Chesapeake City that work with people in need of food, paying for children's school lunches, emergency funds for fuel and utility payments. They have a working food bank and have a relationship with Deep Roots. They approached Mayor Zang about a donation from the Town. Mayor Zang expressed that it would be good to make a habit of helping local charities. This year the Town has been fortunate and this organization will be helping people we know and care

about. Mayor Zang suggested a \$500 donation. Member Zack motioned to make a \$500 donation to the Chesapeake City Ecumenical Association. Member DeVary seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Community Policing/Tickets:** Mayor Zang expressed that Chesapeake City has parking citation and citations for various other infractions. The Town needs to start self-policing since we are struggling with getting policing done that we would like to have done. Some of these things could be done by the Town. Attorney Tom Yeager did some research. Mayor and Council had a parking citation form as an example. Mayor Zang expressed that it would have to be tailored to the need of our town. A question was raised on who would be responsible. Mayor Zang expressed that it would be the code enforcement personnel. Administrator Cooper expressed that the book would for 250 tickets (come in books of 25) would cost \$297.75 from a local printer from North East. Administrator Cooper would like to visit other towns to see what they do and then talk about how to customize their needs. Mayor Zang and Administrator Cooper expressed the issue they have noticed of residents blowing grass and yard debris. Member DeVary questioned what would happen if a resident receives a fine and does not pay it. Administrator Cooper stated that the matter would go to circuit court. If the Town loses, then we pay for the court cost. If the resident loses, then they pay the fine and the court cost. Question was raised on whether or not we are equipped for that and how often Chesapeake City had went to court. Administrator Cooper expressed that in the 2 years she worked for Chesapeake City and never had to go to court.

**Residents Blowing Grass and Yard Debris in Roadway:** Mayor Zang has noticed a lot of this lately. It is dangerous and clogs up the storm drains. This discussion was whether we should consider an ordinance through a public hearing on this matter. It was agreed that a proposed ordinance would be written up and brought back to a meeting for review.

**Paving and Speed Bumps for Wilson Street:** Estimates from TA Paving, Cullen and Miller Paving, Pleasanton Excavating & Paving, Inc. and David A. Bramble, Inc. were reviewed and discussed. Administrator Cooper commented that there was \$21,261 left from Highway User Funds that have to be used by the end of the year to use for this project. Member DeVary made a motion to accept Pleasanton Excavating & Paving, Inc. estimate for the Wilson Street paving project for \$30,680.00. Member Zack seconded the motion. The motion carried to accept the bid placed by Pleasanton Excavating & Paving, Inc. on 8/27/2018 for \$30, 680.00.

July DMR Report was reviewed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Sit and Stay Bench Campaign:** Administrator Cooper commented that the Cecilton Lions Club will be purchasing a bench at the library in honor of Mr. Davis. Mr. Davis was their founding member. Mayor and Council were provided by copies of letters that were sent to the two churches proposing benches in both cemeteries that would have plaques on them in memory of the veterans buried there. Each will also have a flag pole. The flag pole at the Zion Methodist cemetery will have a plaque in memory of Brandon Michael Craig, as long as the cemetery committee agrees to it. Once there is approval from both churches, Administrator Cooper will solicit donations, so there will be no expense to the churches. Administrator Cooper will be meeting Dave Segermark from the Zion United Methodist Cemetery Committee to discuss any reservations they may have concerning the project.

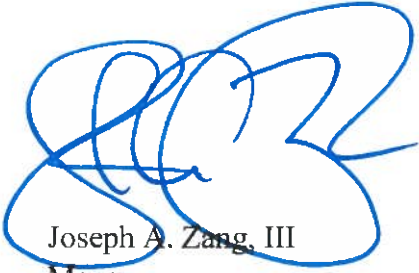
**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**Public Comments:** None

**Good of the Order:**

Thank you note from Deanna Cheyney for assistance with Fire Proof Festival was shared.

**ADJOURN**

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Joseph A. Zang, III  
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, written in a cursive style, appearing to read 'Teresa Quinn'.

Teresa Quinn