

TOWN OF CECILTON

Mayor and Council Work and Regular Session Meeting Monday, March 21, 2022

The Mayor and Council held a Work and Regular Session Meeting in Town Hall on Monday, March 21, 2022. The following were in attendance:

Michael Cooper, Mayor

Craig DeVary, Member

Sue Katzmire, Member

Danielle Zack, Member

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND ACT:

February 22, 2022 Mayor and Council Work and Regular Session Meeting Minutes:

Member DeVary motioned to accept the February 22, 2022 Work and Regular Session Meeting Minutes as written. Member Katzmire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

February Final Financials:

February Final Financials and Account Balances were reviewed. Member Katzmire motioned to accept the February Final Financials and Account Balances as written. Member DeVary questioned the difference in the totals of January and February in the Enterprise account. Difference was due to loan payment. Member DeVary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cecilton Activity Report: Cecil County Sheriff's Department Deputy was present to review the report. Deputies are checking in and trying to address speeding. Quick discussion of the possibility of CCSD entering a bed in the Bed Race and whether traffic control was needed. They will try to have someone here for patrol during the event.

A concern was expressed concerning a juvenile causing challenges with trespassing, damages, and other concerns. Parents have been contacted previously about such issues. CCSD Deputy indicated that if there is proof that he committed the damage, then it needs to be reported and a referral should be done. Discussion of possibility of banning the juvenile from Town property with proper notification. If this person then trespasses, action can be taken. A letter would need to be served with information that he is not to trespass on town property and be specific about what those areas are. Motioned was made to have a letter drawn up by an attorney to be served to the person mentioned to not be on town property. The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

WTTP and Water Supply Report: George and Jordan Smith were in attendance to review the report. Things are running. Had some problems with some actuators and valves due to age of equipment. Administrator Cooper expressed that the fire department in the past has accessed water from the water tower to fill pools in exchange for a donation. We have to report consumptions to MDE. They are filling up and not telling us. Then J. Smith is coming in on Monday and seeing that are thousands of gallons being used that is not normally being used and it is not being documented. The area is torn up there. J. Smith is also commented that they are also pulling water out too fast. It was suggested to put on a lock, so that they fire department has to come to us. That way Smith and Cooper are notified and someone could supervise. George Smith added that we can't exceed the maximum allocation out of the ground that MDE has issued. Today, CVFC were testing hoses and the Town was not notified that hydrants were going to be opened. Will check to see if cameras at water tower are working or get them working. It was agreed to put a lock on and working cameras to help with monitoring.

ENR Refinement: This was reviewed a year or more ago, but was not able to use the engineer we wanted so it was not implemented at the time. George Smith explained that in order to use grant money from MDE, you have to bid for the engineering process. He then explained the evaluation process that has to be completed and then the recommendation is sent in to MDE. Member Zack made a motion to go forward with the RFP for the ENR refinement. Member DeVary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2022/2023 Budget: Members reviewed the budget. Administrator Cooper explained that some projects were not in the budget because the CARES Act money will be used for that. Current CARES Act money being used to make repairs and maintenance on our infrastructure. Discussion of the fire company's request for a donation with some of the CARES Act money. That will be revisited in July when the next set of money comes in. The budget is for review tonight, the next meeting they will act on it. In each year's budget there has been a line for a bathroom for the maintenance shop. That is currently being put in. This is something that LGIT, our insurance agency, has indicated in the past that was needed. In the budget, repaving the shop/library driveway and parking lot is included.

13th Annual Chesapeake City Canal 5K Run /Walk Sponsorship: In the past, we have sponsored this event. Member DeVary motioned to sponsor the Platinum Package. Member Katzmire seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Administrator Cooper indicated that she is trying to refinance the loans for our facilities to get a lower interest rate.

Speed Bump – Church Street: Administrator Cooper received a complaint concerning speeding on Church Street. The resident would like to see a couple more speed bumps put on the street. Even though there are two speed bumps already on that street, cars are still speeding. It would have to be decided if there is space for them. Cooper wanted to inform Mayor and Council in case the resident should reach out to them, they are aware of the concern.

Cecilton Senior Village Phase II: This project was initially proposed for the property behind Cecilton Senior Village Phase I. On the property, was supposed to be senior housing and a community center. The owner did not agree to the contract and has elected to not to sign it. We are still working on pursuing the community center over there. Admin Cooper is currently working with Attorney Yeager to obtain the property that the

county acquired through tax sale. Frank Hodgetts, Home Partnership, is looking for other town property for the senior housing project. Hodgetts will come to Mayor and Council to present a new plan for approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

Public Comments:

None

Good of the Order:

Bed Race – April 1st, need volunteers. Member Zack volunteered to help.

MML Dinner – Thursday, April 21st at the Fish Whistle

Ribbon Cutting for JIREH Market was Saturday, March 20th. Mayor Cooper, Administrator Cooper, and Clerk Quinn attended.



Michael Cooper
Mayor

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Quinn