

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton

MINUTES
April 7, 2010

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton (the "Board") held their first regularly scheduled meeting in April on this date at 7:00 P.M. The following persons were present: Mayor Joseph Fisona; Commissioners Charles H. Givens, Mary Jo Jablonski, and Earl M. Piner, Sr.; Town Administrator Lewis H. George, Jr.; Assistant Town Administrator Kim Kamp; Finance Director Steven Repole; Elkton Police Chief William E. Ryan; Director of Human Resources Venus Kincaid; Administration Office Secretary L. Michelle Henson; and Town Attorney H. Norman Wilson, Jr. Esquire. Commissioner C. Gary Storke arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Fisona called the meeting to order, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION: The minutes of the March 17, 2010 meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Givens. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Piner and approved by all present with no corrections or amendments.

ACTION: The financial report and the bills submitted for payment were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Piner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jablonski and approved by all present.

Budget Amendment 2010-016

Mr. Repole presented Budget Amendment 2010-006 to budget \$4,428 received from Cecil County Government and transferred to Singerly Fire Company.

ACTION: Budget Amendment 2010-016 was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Jablonski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Piner and approved by all present.

Severn Trent Environmental Services

Water/Wastewater Treatment Services Report - Months of February and March 2010

Mr. Ken Benner, Area Manager, Severn Trent Environmental Services, presented the Water/Wastewater Treatment Services report for the months of February and March 2010. A copy of Mr. Benner's report was placed in the record of the minutes.

Town Administrator's Report

Thomson Estates Standpipe Rehabilitation Project 2009-002 Bid Opening

Mr. George unsealed and announced the Thomson Estates Standpipe Rehabilitation Project 2009-002 Bid amounts. The Bid results were as follows:

Name	Address	Bid Price
K & K Painting & Construction Co	1704 Joplin Street Baltimore, MD 21224	\$299,000.00
Southern Corrosion, Inc.	738 Thelma Road Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870	\$258,400.00
Utility Service Co., Inc.	535 Courtney Hodges Blvd. Perry, GA 31069	\$279,750.00
S & T Painting, Inc.	221 Bentley Road Parkton, MD 21120	\$190,500.00
Classic Protective Coatings	N7670 State Highway 25 Menomonie, WI 54751	\$293,237.00

Mr. George stated the bids would be forwarded to the Town's Engineer, KCI Technologies, and the Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") for review and recommendations. He stated a recommendation of award would be announced at the Mayor and Commissioners April 21, 2010 meeting.

Mr. George stated the Town received a request from Elk Landing Foundation, Inc. to permit Spry Brothers, Inc. to farm a portion of property located at Elk Landing. He stated that the lease between Elk Landing and the Town required permission from the Board prior to any additional activity occurring at the Foundation property, and added the activity would not conflict with Project Open Space regulations.

ACTION: The request of the Elk Landing Foundation, Inc. to permit Spry Brothers, Inc. to farm a portion of the property located at Elk Landing was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Storke. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jablonski and approved by all present.

Commissioner Givens asked for details of the passenger train that malfunctioned near the former train station in Elkton. Mr. George stated a second train was dispatched to retrieve passengers from the disabled train.

Assistant Town Administrator's Report

Ms. Kamp stated the Open Government Directive created different avenues for all levels of government to communicate with citizens. She stated Twitter worked well to keep citizens informed. She stated she could create an account to keep citizens informed

of events such as the closure of Delaware Avenue during flood events, or trash pickup schedule changes. Ms. Kamp presented a policy regarding a Twitter Account.

Discussion ensued regarding creation of a Facebook page for the Town.

Commissioner Piner questioned the cost of the Twitter Account. Ms. Kamp stated there was no cost associated with the Twitter Account.

ACTION: The Twitter Account Policy was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Jablonski. Commissioner Givens seconded the motion. Commissioner Storke opposed the motion. The record of the vote is as follows:

Mayor Fisona: Aye

Commissioner Givens: Second

Commissioner Jablonski: Motion

Commissioner Piner: Aye

Commissioner Storke: Nay

Mayor Fisona's Report

Mayor Fisona requested a motion to reappoint Ms. Emma Hayes to the Elkton Housing Authority Board for the term February 1, 2010 – January 31, 2015.

ACTION: The request to reappoint Ms. Emma Hayes to the Elkton Housing Authority Board for the term February 1, 2010 – January 31, 2015 was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Jablonski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Givens and approved by all present.

Commissioner Jablonski's Report

Commissioner Jablonski stated the drainage swales on Delaware Avenue were filled with silt due to the last flood event, and asked if the swales could be cleared of the standing water. Mr. George stated he would forward Commissioner Jablonski's request to the State Highway Administration ("SHA").

Commissioner Storke's Report

Commissioner Storke stated the Census was an important community event and encouraged all citizens to complete their forms.

Commissioner Storke stated he planned to run for the office of Mayor. He read a prepared statement, a copy of which was placed in the record of the minutes.

Motion for a Closed Meeting

Pursuant to State Article § 10-508 (7) consult with counsel to obtain legal advice; a Closed Meeting was requested on a motion made by Commissioner Givens. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Storke and approved by all present.

Hearing no additional business to come before the Board, Mayor Fisona adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

L. Michelle Henson
Administration Office Secretary

AN AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING OF THIS MEETING RETAINED AT THE
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Note: The minutes of regularly scheduled public meetings conducted by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton, following their approval, are posted at www.elkton.org. The minutes, in hard copy format, are retained indefinitely by the Town of Elkton, Administration Office, 100 Railroad Avenue, Elkton, Maryland 21921.