The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton

October 21, 2020

In order to comply with Governor Larry Hogan's declaration of a State of Emergency as part of Maryland's response to COVID-19, and in order to limit public gatherings during this time, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton (the "Board") conducted a virtual meeting on this date at 12:00 p.m. The following persons participated via computer and/or telephone: Mayor Robert J. Alt; Commissioners Charles H. Givens, Sr., Robert M. Massimiano and Earl M. Piner, Sr.; Town Administrator Lewis H. George, Jr.; Finance Director Steven H. Repole; Director of Public Works J. Daniel Handley, P.E.; Director of Planning Jeanne D. Minner; Senior Administrative Specialist L. Michelle Henson; and Town Attorney John P. Downs, Esquire.

Mayor Alt called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and lead the participants in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Alt stated Commissioner Jean A. Broomell will not be in attendance at today's meeting.

<u>ACTION</u>: The minutes of the October 7, 2020 virtual 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.

<u>ACTION</u>: The financial report and the bills submitted for payment were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Givens. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Massimiano and approved by all present.

Petition for Annexation

Mr. Gary Bolis, representing BPCCGE, LP and Preston and Laetitia Ayars, introduced himself to the Board. Mr. & Mrs. Ayars are owners of property located in the Third Election District, Cecil County, Maryland, and identified on Cecil County Tax Map 027B (formerly Tax Map 303), Parcels 58, 807 and 2483 consisting of approximately 56.1806 acres with improvements erected thereon, and further described in the Cecil County Land Records in Liber WAS 469, Folio 493, Liber WAS 265, Folio 237 and Liber 265, Folio 233

Annexation A3-2020 Ayars Property - Presented for Introduction

Regarding Property in above referenced Petition for Annexation

Mr. Gary Bolis stated Mr. Evan Rollins, Esquire, is in attendance for any questions regarding the Petition for Annexation and Annexation Resolution R3-2020.

Mr. Rollins stated that Mr. Bolis will request a rezoning of the parcel from the current residential category to the Town's BI (Business Industrial), adding that Cecil County's Planning Department did not take issue with the planned rezoning.

Mayor Alt queried Ms. Minner for concerns regarding the proposed annexation. Ms. Minner stated the parcel is located within the Town's Growth Area, adding that the area is located in Artesian Water, Maryland's franchise area, noting that she is unsure if Artesian Water, Maryland has infrastructure in the area, adding that it is currently unknown if Artesian will permit the Town to furnish water to the property directly.

Mr. Downs stated he has no issues with the Petition for Annexation and Resolution A3-2020.

<u>ACTION</u>: The above referenced Petition for Annexation was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Piner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Givens and approved by all present.

<u>ACTION</u>: Annexation A3-2020 regarding property associated with the above referenced Petition for Annexation was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Piner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Givens and approved by all present.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. George stated the Maryland Board of Public Works approved the sale of the Victor C. McCool Readiness Center (Elkton Armory) to the Town at their meeting earlier today. He stated settlement on the property is expected to take place within weeks.

Mayor Alt expressed appreciation for the opportunity for the Town to obtain the Armory. He stated the property will be preserved for many years.

Commissioner Massimiano's Report

Commissioner Massimiano stated he toured the recently-completed Community Center, adding that he will paint a mural in the facility.

Public Comment

Mr. Richard Lemen commended Town staff and the Board for the research and work performed regarding the proposed Southfields Special Tax District.

Mr. Lemen commended the Town for obtaining the Armory.

Hearing no additional business to come before the Board, Mayor Alt adjourned the virtual meeting at 1:35 p.m.

L. Michelle Henson Sr. Administrative Specialist

A 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.