



**Town of Port Deposit
Town Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session Meeting
Conference/Video Meeting
October 17, 2023**

The public was invited to call into the meeting via videoconferencing or audio by phone.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tome, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Tome, Jr., Deputy Mayor Brown, Councilman Berlin, Councilman Knight, and Town Administrator Rinkerman. Via Zoom – Councilwoman Thiele

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment.

INTRODUCTION – RESOLUTION 08-2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Town Administrator Rinkerman presented Resolution 08-2023 and provided a copy of proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan recommended by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission has worked with Jamie Kendrick from Mead & Hunt diligently to produce the proposed amendments.

Planning Commission, Vice-Chair Bill Baron provided a brief overview of the recommended amendments.

Public Hearing Scheduled for Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall

OLD BUSINESS

Introduction Marlene Muro – Town Administrator Rinkerman provided an introduction of the new part-time Circuit Rider, Marleen Muro, who will be working 10 hours/week with the town.

Pocket Rock Park Update – Town Administrator Rinkerman presented the proposed signs and estimate for the Pocket Rock Park designed by resident and artist Jessica Kehl.

Motion made by Councilman Berlin to dedicate the area of land in Parking Lot #2 as the Town of Port Deposit Pocket Rock Park. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Brown. Roll call vote – Brown-Y, Knight-Y, Berlin-Y, Thiele - Y. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS – No new business.

COUNCIL REPORTS –

Mayor Tome provided an overview of the Sheriff's Report provided by Cecil County Sheriff's Office for the month of September. He also stated that the MDTA are back to doing patrols in town.

Councilman Berlin thanked the town for proceeding with the Pocket Rock Park. He also provided a copy of the draft newsletter for the town. Erica Berge, CCU President weighed in on the newsletter with suggestions.


PUBLIC COMMENT – Erica Berge, CCU President announced on a Community Forum: Uniting for a Safer, Healthier Town on November 8th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - No announcements.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION – Motion made by Deputy Mayor Brown to convene in executive closed session pursuant to the Annotated Code of MD, General Provisions Article, Title 3, Subtitle 3-305 (1) to discuss a matter relative to appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals. Seconded by Councilman Knight. Roll call vote – Brown-Y, Knight-Y, Berlin-Y, Thiele - Y. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously. Council will not return to open session.

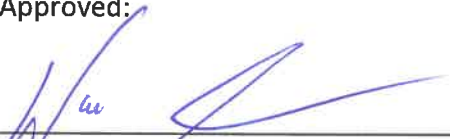
The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Meeting audio is available upon request.

Attest:



Vicky Rinkerman, Town Administrator

Approved:



Wayne Tome, Jr., Mayor