

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton

MINUTES

April 3, 2024

The Mayor & Commissioners of the Town of Elkton (the "Board") held a regularly scheduled meeting on this date at 12:00 p.m. The following persons attended the meeting either in person or virtually: Mayor Robert J. Alt; Commissioners Jean A. Broomell; Charles H. Givens, Sr.; Robert M. Massimiano; and Earl M. Piner, Sr.; Town Administrator Lewis H. George, Jr.; Assistant Town Administrator L. Michelle Henson; Director of Finance Steven H. Repole; Chief of Police Carolyn Rogers; Planning Director Jeanne D. Minner; Director of Building and Zoning Charles Bromwell; Director of Public Works J. Daniel Handley, P.E.; Human Resources Director Andy Rodriguez; Human Resources Specialist Danielle Pelagatti; 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.

ACTION: The minutes of the March 20, 2024 meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Piner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Broomell and approved by all present with no corrections.

ACTION: The Financial Report and the bills submitted for payment were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Broomell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Massimiano and approved by all present.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. George stated the Southfields Trustee was authorized to release \$1.8 million for the bonds related to the Sportsplex.

Mayor Alt's Report

Appointment - Historic District Commission

Mayor Alt requested the Board's approval to appoint Mr. Brandon Boas to the Historic District Commission for the term April 3, 2024 - March 31, 2027.

The appointment of Mr. Brandon Boas to the Historic District Commission for the term April 3, 2024 - March 31, 2027 was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Piner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Broomell and approved by all present.

Mayor Alt reported that Gov. Moore visited Elkton on March 22nd and toured the Elkton Colored School, the Neighborhood Community Center and Voices of Hope.

Mayor Alt stated he received emailed comments regarding Ordinance 1-2024 Labor Code after the introduction of the document during the Board's meeting on March 20th. He reiterated

that all questions or comments regarding Ordinance 1-2024 are to be in writing and emailed to human.resources@elkton.org and will subsequently be forwarded to the Town's Attorney for review.

Mayor Alt queried Mr. Downs for an update regarding acquisition of the Holly Hall property. Mr. Downs stated a sales contract will be finalized upon completion of a metes and bounds survey.

Mayor Alt, referring to a previously submitted Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town and the Elkton Alliance, asked the Board to review the document in order to move forward with its approval and execution.

Commissioner Massimiano's Report

Commissioner Massimiano announced the annual Team Elkton Fishing Rodeo will take place at Howards Pond on April 27th, expressing appreciation to all the volunteers, and requested donation of prizes for participants. He stated that a casting course, which is similar to a putt-putt golf course, is being added to the event this year.

Public Comment

Ms. Tracy Goudy expressed support for establishing collective bargaining for non-sworn Town employees.

Mr. Jacob Meekins expressed support for establishing collective bargaining for non-sworn Town employees.

Ms. Micki Hoffman expressed support for establishing collective bargaining for non-sworn Town employees. She asked the Board to meet with employees.

Mr. Edward Slaughter expressed support for establishing collective bargaining for non-sworn Town employees. He stated his understanding that Town Administrator Lewis George drafted the initial Labor Code associated with Ordinance 1-2024. Mr. George clarified that the referenced document was drafted by the Town's Attorney.

Mr. David Maher, Esquire, representing AFSCME asked the Board to consider the concerns raised by employees seeking establishment of collective bargaining for non-sworn Town employees.

Ms. Sarah Guns requested use of Town-owned property near the Family Education Center in Hollingsworth Manor for creation of a neighborhood garden. Discussion ensued regarding the location of the planned garden. It was the consensus of the Board to support a neighborhood garden.

Hearing no additional business to come before the Board, Mayor Alt adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

L. Michelle Henson
Assistant Town Administrator

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.