

Town of Odessa

**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR TOWN MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012 - 7:00 PM
OLD ACADEMY BUILDING
315 MAIN STREET
ODESSA, DE 19730**

Those present at 7:00 pm

Mayor Kathy Harvey
Council Member: Betts Jackson
Council Member: Harvey Smith
Treasurer: Lionel Hynson

Secretary: Barbara Roberts

2 community members

I. Pledge of Allegiance & meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO EXCUSE JOHN FREEMAN FROM THE 9/10/12 REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO EXCUSE LINDSAY RICE FROM THE 9/10/12 REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

III. Delaware State Police Report – *No report*

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council on 8/6/12

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE 8/6/12 MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

V. Correspondence:

a. DELDOT – Notice was received from DELDOT concerning upcoming improvements to the Rt 13 & Rt 299 intersection to include crosswalks, poles, handicap accessibility, removal of bushes and large boulders

b. M & T Bank – Has presented a proposal to the Town on their banking services.

VI. Balance Sheet: Lionel Hynson reported on the Treasurers Report, discussions followed, concerning a property in Town with a large amount of delinquent taxes. Current taxes are due by September 30th.

a. Balance Sheet as of 8/31/12, attached hereto as attachments A.

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT FROM AUGUST 31, 2012

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

VII. Commission Reports

a. Historic - no August meeting

b. Planning - Meeting date: August 30, 2012.

- The Planning Commission recommended the 2012 Comprehensive Plan be moved to Mayor & Council for approval. Attached hereto as attachment B.

c. Trees – Meeting date August 21, 2012.

- There has not been a quorum for the last two meetings of the Tree Commission. Grant deadlines have been missed. Tree maintenance funding will now come out of the Tree Commission Budget funding. A proposal for some tree maintenance on High Street is attached hereto as attachment C

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH, TO GIVE THE MAYOR THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE TREE MAINTENANCE FUNDING EXPEDITURES WITHOUT APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

VIII. Old Business

a. Comprehensive Plan Update - See item IX New Business, b.

IX. New Business

a. Ordinance 2012-02: Transfer Atlantic Broadband Cable Franchise to Cogeco Cable II Inc. - 1st reading, attached hereto as attachment D

b. Ordinance 2012-03: Adopt the 2012 Comprehensive Plan – 1st reading, attached hereto as E.

- Public Hearing to adopt the 2012 Comprehensive Plan is set for October 1, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the Old Academy Building

X. Next Meeting Date & Time: Next scheduled meeting: Monday, October 1, 2012 at 6:00 pm

- Paul & Patricia Wiedemann addressed the Council on their concerns with signage and directional arrows at the intersection of Rt. 299 & Rt 13.

XI. Adjournment

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:45 PM.

MOTION CARRIED. 5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Minutes Submitted: 9/13/12
Date

Barbara Roberts
Secretary

Approved: _____
Date

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