

Town of Odessa

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR TOWN MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020 - 7:00 PM

IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNOR CARNEY'S PROCLAMATION THE TOWN OF ODESSA IS HOLDING THIS MEETING AS A TELEPHONE & VIDEO CONFERENCE – SEE ATTACHED (PAGE 2) FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Those present at 7:00 PM:

Mayor: Kathy Harvey

Council Member: John Freeman

Council Member: Betts Jackson

Council Member: Harvey Smith

Treasurer: Lionel Hynson

Town Secretary: Barbara Roberts

Guests or Community Members: Dave Carter, Lt. Andrew Lloyd -DE State Police

- I. Pledge of Allegiance & meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.
 - Both the Budget Workshop and the Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council are being conducted by video & phone conferencing as per the proclamation by Governor Carney during the Covid19 pandemic.
- II. Election Certification, attached hereto as attachment A (*3 page document*)
- III. Oath of Office
 - Mayor Harvey gave the Oath of Office to Betts Jackson and John Freeman as Council Members both serving 2 year terms.
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council 3-2-20 (*3 pg. minutes document*)

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM 3-2-20, THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Betts Jackson, Aye

John Freeman, Aye

Harvey Smith, Aye

Kathy Harvey, Aye

- VI. Correspondence
 - Lt. Andrew Lloyd reported Town statistics for the previous 2 months.
 - Mayor Harvey thanked Lt. Lloyd for removing basketball hoops at Memorial Park, to prevent crowds from gathering.

- VII. Treasurer's Report
- a. Balance Sheet & Profit/Loss as of 3-31-20, Attached hereto as attachment B (3 pg. report)

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FROM 3-31-20

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Harvey Smith, Aye
John Freeman, Aye
Betts Jackson, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- a. Balance Sheet & Profit/Loss as of 4-30-20, Attached hereto as attachment C (3 pg. report)

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FROM 4-30-20

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Betts Jackson, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye
John Freeman, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- VIII. Commission Reports
- a. Historic – No March or April Meetings
 - b. Planning – No March or April Meetings
 - c. Trees – No March or April Meetings

IX. Old Business

- a. Main Street Paving Project
Work has begun on corners & sidewalks
- b. Update on 405 Main Street
 - a. Town notified by Town attorney that the heirs have decided to sell. Further communications today notified us the sale has fallen thru.

X. New Business

- a. Discussion on Budget Workshop
 - No further discussion was necessary
- b. Approval of 2020-2021 Budget, attached hereto as attachment D (3 page budget document)

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECOND BY BETTS JACKSON TO APPROVE THE 2020-21 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF ODESSA

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

John Freeman, Aye
Betts Jackson, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye

Kathy Harvey, Aye

- c. Appointments, attached hereto as attachment E (*1 page document*)

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS AS SUBMITTED (SEE ATTACHED)

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Harvey Smith, Aye
Betts Jackson, Aye
John Freeman, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- d. Resolution 2020-1: Set the Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, attached hereto as attachment F (*1 page resolution*)
- No tax increase

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECOND BY HARVEY SMITH TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2020-1 SETTING THE TAX RATE OF .25 FOR RESIDENTIAL AND .90 FOR COMMERCIAL

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

John Freeman, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye
Betts Jackson, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- e. Resolution 2020-2: Set Compensation for the Town Clerk, attached hereto as attachment G (*1 page resolution*)

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2020-2 SETTING THE COMPENSATION FOR THE TOWN CLERK

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Betts Jackson, Aye
John Freeman, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- f. Resolution 2020-3: Set Salary for the Town of Odessa Secretary, attached hereto as attachment H (*1 page resolution*)

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2020-3 SETTING THE SALARY FOR THE TOWN OF ODESSA SECRETARY

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

John Freeman, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye

Betts Jackson, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

- XI. Next Meeting's Date and Time
- Next meeting of Mayor & Council, will be Monday June 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm
- XII. Adjournment

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:38 PM.

VOICE VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Betts Jackson, Aye
John Freeman, Aye
Harvey Smith, Aye
Kathy Harvey, Aye

Minutes Submitted: 5-14-20
Date

Barbara Roberts
Secretary

Approved: _____
Date

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