

**TOWN OF ODESSA**

**MINUTES FOR REGULAR TOWN MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL**

**JUNE 1, 2020 MONDAY – 7:00 PM**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNOR CARNEY'S PROCLAMATION THE TOWN OF ODESSA IS HOLDING THIS MEETING AS A VIRTUAL & PHONE CONFERENCE**

**The link to join the meeting via computer or smart device is:**

**<https://udel.zoom.us/j/99622433449>**

**by phone: 1-646-876-9923**

**1-301-715-8592**

**MEETING ID: 99622433449**

Those present at 7:00 PM

Councilmember: John Freeman

Councilmember: Betts Jackson

Councilmember: Harvey Smith

Treasurer: Lionel Hynson

Secretary: Barbara Roberts

Guests or Community Members: Dave Carter, Lt. A. Lloyd, Amy Taylor

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I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance, meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

II. Roll Call

**MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO EXCUSE KATHY HARVEY FROM THE JUNE 1, 2020 MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

III. Approval of Minutes

a. Budget Workshop of 5-4-20

**MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE 5-4-20 BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**MOTION CARRIED. 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

b. Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council as of 5-4-20

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE 5-4-20 REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**MOTION CARRIED. 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

IV. Correspondence – *Will be addressed further into the meeting*

V. Treasurer's Report

- a. Treasurer's Report as of 5-31-20, attached hereto as attachment A (3 pg. report)

**MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT AS SUBMITTED FROM 5-31-20**

**MOTION CARRIED. 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

VI. Commission Reports

- a. Historic Commission: virtual meeting on 5-25-20  
b. Planning Commission: No May Meeting  
c. Tree Commission: No May Meeting

- o At this point in the meeting, Lt. Andrew Lloyd of the Delaware State Police reported the monthly statistics within the Town on police calls and traffic information.

VII. Old Business

- a. Main Street Paving Project – *Project is ongoing, no new details to report.*  
b. Update on 405 Main Street - *No further updates available*

VIII. New Business

- a. Delaware Wildlands Lease, attached hereto as attachment B (1 page letter)  
o Discussion took place concerning a request by Delaware Wildlands to amend their lease

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO AMEND DELAWRE WILDLANDS LEASE CHANGING THEIR 5 YEAR LEASE RENEWAL CLAUSE TO 1 YEAR RENEWAL WITH THE OPTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL 1 YEAR RENEWAL**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

- b. Temporary Seating Capacity – Cantwell Tavern Patio, attached hereto as attachment C (1 page letter)  
o Discussion took place concerning a request from Ashby Hospitality Group for temporary seating capacity change

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF OUTDOOR SEATING DUE TO EFFECTS OF COVID19 STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE CANTWELL TAVERN PATIO**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

- c. Mayor Harvey's Resignation, attached hereto as attachment D (1 page letter)  
o Members of Council commented on the sad news that Mayor Harvey has had to resign.

d. Appoint Acting Mayor

**MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO APPOINT HARVEY SMITH AS THE ACTING MAYOR FOR THE TOWN OF ODESSA**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

e. Special Election

- o The Town will be required to post a Special Election to fill the Mayor's position for the remainder of the term. Councilman Smith will fill the Mayor's position in the interim.

f. Resolution 2020-4: Community Recognition Resolution, attached hereto as attachment E (*1 page resolution*)

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2020-4, RECOGNIZING KATHLEEN HARVEY'S SERVICE AS MAYOR OF THE TOWN**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS**

IX. Next Meeting Date and Time:

- o Next meeting of Mayor & Council, will be Monday July 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm

X. Adjournment

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:53**

Minutes Submitted 6-8-20  
Date

Barbara Roberts  
Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_