MINUTES
Executive Session and Town Commissioners Meeting
At the Dewey Beach Life Saving Station
#1 Dagsworthy Avenue, Dewey Beach, DE. 19971
Friday, July 14, 2017
Executive Session to begin at 5:00PM
Town Commissioners Meeting to re-convene at 6:00 P.M.

Convene Town Commissioners Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Convene Executive Session

Litigation

In accordance to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) the Town Commissioner’s will be meeting in executive session to hold strategy sessions involving legal advice with respect to potential litigation where an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the Town’s litigation position.

Adjourn Executive Session Audio Recording Mark (ARM): Audio 1 of 2 (0:01)- Motion by Commissioner Hanson to adjourn Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Riordan. The vote carried unanimously.

Re-Convene Town Commissioners Meeting Town Commissioners Meeting re-convened

Opening Ceremonies/ Pledge/ Moment of Silence/ Roll Call ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (0:42)-Present: Commissioner Riordan, Commissioner Persinger, Commissioner Hanson, Commissioner Dunmyer, Mayor Cooke, Town Solicitor Fred Townsend. Absent: Town Manager Marc Appelbaum

Adoption of Agenda ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (1:36)- Motion by Commissioner Dunmyer to amend the agenda with the removal of Public Comment. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. Commissioner Hanson asked that the Approval of June 20, 2017 and June 28, 2017 Executive Session Meeting Minutes are removed from this agenda, and voted on at the next Town Commissioner Meeting. Commissioner Dunmyer accepted that additional change to be added to the motion. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried 4-1 with Mayor Cooke opposing. Motion by Commissioner Persinger to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Dunmyer. The vote carried 4-1 with Mayor Cooke opposing.

Approval of June 9, 2017 Town Commissioner Meeting Minutes ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (9:38)- Motion by Commissioner Dunmyer to approve the June 9, 2017 Town Commissioner Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Riordan. The vote carried unanimously.

Approval of June 20, 2017 Executive Session Meeting Minutes Postponed until August 11, 2017 Town Commissioner Meeting

Approval of June 28, 2017 Executive Session Meeting Minutes Postponed until August 11, 2017 Town Commissioner Meeting

Announcements and Updates: ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (10:37)

• July 4th weekend updates Update by Mayor Cooke
• Lighting on Route One Update by Mayor Cooke
• Clydesdale Parade Update by Mayor Cooke
• Statement regarding allegations Statement by Town Solicitor Fred Townsend
• Verizon “COW” truck at 1505 Coastal Highway Update by Mayor Cooke
1. Discuss and possibly vote to appoint Gloria Rogers, Marty Tarr and Beverly Corelle as members of the Dewey Beach Board of Election. ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (20:51)- Motion by Commissioner Hanson to appoint Gloria Rogers, Marty Tarr and Beverly Corelle as members of the Dewey Beach Board of Election. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried unanimously.

2. Consider and possibly vote to approve a motion to ratify the Town Solicitor's engagement of Max Walton, Esq. of Connolly Gallagher to perform an independent investigation in the matter of the Town Manager. ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (23:43)- Motion by Commissioner Hanson to ratify the Town Solicitor's engagement of Max Walton, Esq. of Connolly Gallagher to perform an independent investigation in the matter of the Town Manager. Seconded by Commissioner Dunmyer. The vote carried 4-1 with Commissioner Riordan opposing.

3. Consider the adoption of a penalty schedule for renting without a Town of Dewey Beach residential rental license. ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (33:56)- Discussion began. Consensus among Commissioners to send any suggestions and/or comments to Town Hall, and to bring more information to the August 11th town meeting regarding a penalty schedule for renting without a Town of Dewey Beach residential rental license.

4. Discuss and possibly vote to approve two of five proposals to authorize alterations at Town Hall to secure the upstairs law enforcement area. ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (37:33)- Motion by Commissioner Riordan to approve the two lowest bid proposals (Unique Custom Interiors for construction/ Teletector for electronic door locks) for alterations at Town Hall to secure the upstairs law enforcement area. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried unanimously.

5. Discuss Comprehensive Development Plan to include: ARM: Audio 1 of 2 (42:50)- Discussion began.
   a. Review the current draft Comprehensive Development Plan.
   b. Review open items from last month to consider.
   c. Town Manager to come up with financial sustainability and reliable sources of revenue component.
   d. Delaware Department of Transportation input.
   e. Define what we want Planning Commission to do; to include a timeline, etc.
   f. Discuss and possibly vote to refer a revised Comprehensive Development draft to the Planning and Zoning Commission. ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (11:35)- Motion by Commissioner Hanson to refer a revised Comprehensive Development Plan draft to the Planning and Zoning Commission with adding a section regarding the Dewey Beach Business Partnership, History, and information relevant to financial sustainability. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried unanimously.

6. Discuss recommendations to regulate buses loading and discharging passengers, and parking on street and highway right-of-way within town limits. ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (13:13)- Discussion began. Consensus among Commissioners to gather additional information related to the proposed area for buses to load and discharge passengers.

7. Discuss and possibly vote to enact an Ordinance to make amendments related to §1-13 and §158-11(B) of the Municipal Code of the Town of Dewey Beach, Delaware, relating to Parking Tickets and Towing and Booting of vehicles. ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (20:29)- Motion by Commissioner Hanson to table this agenda item until the August 11, 2017 Town Commissioner Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried unanimously.

8. Discuss and possibly vote to adopt a Resolution for the Town of Dewey Beach to join the United States Climate Alliance in response to the United States’ withdraw from the Paris Agreement. ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (30:59)- Motion by Commissioner Dunmyer to table this agenda item. Seconded by Commissioner Persinger. The vote carried 4-1 with Commissioner Hanson opposing.
9. Consider an amendment to Chapter 185 of the Town Code regarding base elevation of properties in flood zone areas. ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (42:20)- Overview by Commissioner Riordan. Commissioner Riordan and Commissioner Persinger will gather more information to bring to the August 11th Town Commissioner Meeting.


11. Public Comments- No comments.

12. Commissioners Comments ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (56:29)
   a. Commissioner Gary Persinger No comment
   b. Commissioner Mike Dunmyer No comment
   c. Commissioner Diane Hanson No comment
   d. Commissioner Courtney Riordan No comment
   e. Mayor Dale Cooke Comments

13. Adjourn Town Commissioners Meeting ARM: Audio 2 of 2 (56:54)-Motion by Commissioner Hanson to adjourn the Town Commissioners Meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Riordan. The vote carried unanimously.