

# MINUTES

## COSM

### Commissioners

#### COSM Special Work Session

Thursday, September 26, 2019, 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Edgar M Bosley Jr. Municipal Admin Building

300 Mill Street; PO Box 206

St. Michaels, MD 21663

- I.

**Meeting will begin with opening at Town Office at 4:00pm and then reconvening on Talbot Street for walkabout. Return to Office for 6:00pm session for discussion with St. Michaels Running Event race organizers, businesses, COSM and Police Department.**

- II.

Call to Order - 4:00 pm

- President William Boos convened the combined working and legislative session of the Commissioners of St. Michaels in the meeting room of the Edgar M. Bosley, Jr. Municipal Building, 300 Mill Street, St. Michaels, Maryland at 4:00 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Also present were Commissioners Joyce Harrod, Jaime Windon, Dennis Glackin, and Michael Bibb, Town Manager Jean Weisman, Police Chief Anthony Smith, and Legislative Clerk Suzanna Warnick. President Boos said the public meeting would be reconvened following the Talbot Street walkabout as noted above.

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- III.

Pledge of Allegiance

- IV.

Items for Discussion

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Walkabout along Talbot Street

Commissioners looked at parking, signs and sidewalks.

- V.

Reconvene at Town Office - 6:00 pm

- President Boos reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. following the Talbot Street walkabout and noted that the agenda items included permit applications for Iron Mill Woodworks and the Running Festival.

- VI.

Sign Permit and Outdoor Speakers Permit Application from Iron Will Woodworks, for 3rd Annual Fall Furniture Market Sale, at Town Center, October 10th - 14th, 2019, from 8am - 6pm

- President Boos opened the discussion of the permit for Iron Will Woodworks and asked if there were any questions or comments. Commissioner Harrod had a question about the Woodworks' second location in Town. As there were no other comments, President Boos made a motion to approve the permit as presented. Commissioner Harrod seconded it, and the motion passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.
- VII.

Item for Discussion

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St. Michaels Running Event

- President Boos opened the discussion of the Running Festival, noting that there had been a discussion of the festival at the last meeting and complaints were raised about noise from a generator, loud music before eight o'clock, as well as access and parking problems. President Boos said that the Commissioners had invited public comment after that meeting and had received a number of letters in response, which have been made a part of the record. He then asked if there were any other comments. A number of residents spoke in support of the Festival and its efforts to accommodate the Town residents and business owners over its nine years of operation. The business owners impacted by the complaints urged that the festival to relocate outside of town or move the date to a less busy month such as March or April, instead of the third Saturday in May. Police Chief Smith said his priority was safety no matter where in Town the event takes place. There was a discussion of moving the after-party and restricting a parking area for business owners to help solve most of the access issues for 2020, and then moving the location of the race for 2021.

It was agreed that the Chief and the Running Festival organizer would meet with the affected business owners and then submit a revised plan to the Commissioners, incorporating the after-party shift and the two-way reserved parking off of Talbot Street prior to the next Commissioners' meeting on Thursday, October 3, 2019.

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HVAC new Town Office

- Discussion of the energy report, HVAC, and other energy costs for the new Town Office was postponed to another meeting.
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VIII. Comments from the Public

- There were no additional public comments.
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IX. Comments from the Commissioners

- President Boos said the costs for advanced energy choices for the new Town Office were coming in quite high and the Town was going to have to make realistic decisions.
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X. Announcement of Future Meetings

- - October 3 2019 - 3 o'clock - Town Office -Energy Items and Police Dept options
- NEW DATE - Thursday October 17, 2019 - 6:00 - Town Office - COSM Work and Legislative Session

XI. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.