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Commissioners

COSM Special Work and Legislative Session

Monday, July 27, 2020, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Virtual Remote Meeting

I. Call to Order

- President Boos called to order the remote meeting of the Commissioners of St. Michaels at 4:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners William Boos, Michael Bibb, Joyce Harrod, Jaime Windon and Dennis Glackin, Town Manager Jean Weisman, Police Chief Anthony Smith, Communications Manager Kim Weller, and Legislative Clerk Suzanna Warnick.
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II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Comments from the Public

- President Boos called for opening comments from the Commissioners or the public. There were no comments.
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IV. Consent Agenda - Minutes of July 14th

- President Boos called for comments on the Consent Agenda, which included only the Minutes for the July 14, 2020 meeting of the Commissioners. As there were no comments, President Boos made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, and asked for a second. Commissioner Bibb seconded it, and the motion passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.
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V. Ordinance for Introduction and Possible Vote

- Ordinance No. 515 - Violation of Mask wearing Ordinance

- AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 510 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING THAT ANY PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 18 WHO FAILS TO WEAR A FACE COVERING AS SET FORTH THEREIN SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MUNICIPAL INFRACTION, THE PENALTY FOR WHICH SHALL BE A \$___ FINE; PROVIDED THAT THE TITLE OF THIS EMERGENCY ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED A FAIR SUMMARY, AND GENERALLY RELATING TO THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IN THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS.
- Town Manager Jean Weisman provided background on Ordinance No. 515 - Violation of Mask-wearing ordinance. Mrs. Weisman said that the Town's attorneys had drafted the ordinance and the ordinance sets a civil penalty for not

wearing a mask as required by the Town. Mrs. Warnick read the title of Ordinance No. 515 as noted above. Commissioner Windon made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 515. Commissioner Glackin/Bibb seconded the motion. The Commissioners then discussed what the dollar amount of the fine should be. Commissioner Windon said she was comfortable with a \$50.00 fine. Commissioners Harrod and Bibb wanted signage throughout Town noting the mask requirement and the fine for not wearing one. Commissioner Glackin agreed and added that Kim Weller could put the information out on social media for visitors. Commissioner Glackin suggested a 7-day delay for people to get used to the change. The Commissioners discussed the age requirement. Chief Smith said the 18-years and up requirement would be more practical to enforce, and that he believed that the civil penalty was necessary as a last resort when measured responses did not work. Mrs. Weisman read comments from the public. Two residents volunteered their front yards for signage to help inform visitors entering the Town.

After some additional discussion, President Boos said there was a motion and a second on the table to adopt Ordinance No. 515 with a \$50.00 fine. There were no amendments.

President Boos then made a motion to suspend the Commissioners' normal adoptive procedures based on an emergency situation. Commissioner Windon seconded it. Mrs. Warnick called the role, and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0 in favor.

Mrs. Warnick then called the roll for Ordinance No. 515, which passed on a vote of 5-0 in favor.

VI. Ordinance for Vote

- Ordinance No. 512 - Zoning Code Re-write

- AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REENACT CHAPTER 340 (ZONING) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS AS THE TOWN'S ZONING ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THAT THE TITLE OF THIS SUMMARY SHALL BE DEEMED A FAIR SUMMARY AND GENERALLY RELATING TO ZONING IN THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS
- Mrs. Warnick read the title of Ordinance No. 512 - Zoning Code Re-write - into the record as noted above. Mrs. Weisman said the public hearing was held on July 14th, the ordinance was introduced and is now eligible for a vote. Mrs. Weisman said, at the request of Commissioner Glackin, she had made the draft updated Chapter 340 a part of Ordinance No. 512. President Boos called for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 512 with the updated Chapter 340 incorporated. Commissioner Glackin seconded it. There were no comments. The motion to adopt Ordinance No. 512 passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor. Commissioner Glackin the members of the Planning Commission, Jean Weisman, and Kimberly Kudla, and all others who had spent hours and

hours reviewing and updating the zoning ordinance. Mrs. Weisman read public comments.

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VII. Commissioners Calendar

- Mrs. Weisman announced that the swearing in of new Commissioners would take place at the Commissioners' August 12, 2020 meeting. Also at the August 12th meeting, the Planning Commission would present the recommendations of their parking committee.

In final comments, Mrs. Weisman said it was a pleasure working with Commissioners Boos and Glackin and that they had helped to accomplish good things for St. Michaels.

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VIII. Comments from the Commissioners

- Commissioner Glackin read the winners of the walking contest held in April and noted that awards were delivered to the winners on July 26th.

Commissioner Windon said she wanted to acknowledge the work of the restaurants in trying to develop safety standards for their patrons and to let the restaurant community know that the Commissioners support them in their efforts.

Mrs. Weisman said port-a-potties had been removed from Muskrat Park, but others would remain during the Covid-19 situation. Mrs. Weisman said while not the most pleasant, the port-a-potties were the most viable alternative to the Town's public restrooms, and attested that they were cleaned three times a week by the company providing them.

IX. Announcement of Future Meetings

- August 11 2020 - 6:00pm - Virtual Remote Session for COSM

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X. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.