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**TOWN OF EASTON, MARYLAND
EASTON TOWN HALL
14 S HARRISON STREET**

March 19, 2018

PRESENT AT CONVENING.

Mayor Robert C. Willey
Council President John Ford
Councilmember Alan I. Silverstein
Councilmember Ron E. Engle
Councilmember Megan M. Cook

Also present was the Town Manager Mr. Don Richardson, Town Attorney Mrs. Sharon VanEmburch, and Town Clerk Mrs. Kathy M. Ruf.

MEETING.

At 7:00 p.m., President Ford called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mrs. Cook gave opening remarks and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 2018 MEETING.

Upon motion by Mr. Leshar seconded by Mr. Engle and carried unanimously, minutes of the March 5, 2018 meetings were approved as written.

ITEMS BY THE MAYOR.

Mayor Willey discussed a scheduled Arbor Day Celebration. He stated it will take place at Waylands Pond Park April 4 at 1:00 p.m. with the planting of a tree and a Proclamation.

Mayor Willey stated that the Town will be hosting a group from State and Federal Agencies for National Communities Development Week with visits to The Hill project and Channel Marker,

Mayor Willey stated that he has had a request for a letter of support for a grant for stormwater efforts on the rails-to-trails. It was the council's consensus to draft a letter in support of the grant.

ITEMS BY THE TOWN MANAGER.

APPROVAL OF AWARD FOR 2018 STREET RESURFACING BID TO RUSSELL PAVING CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$408,036.96.

Upon motion by Mr. Silverstein seconded by Mr. Engle and carried unanimously, the 2018 street resurfacing bid from Russell Paving in the amount of \$408,036.96 was approved as recommended from staff. Mr. Richardson stated that there is \$450,000 budgeted for the work.

ITEMS BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY.

Nothing at this time.

ORDINANCE NO. 718, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EASTON AMENDING CHAPTER 31 OF THE EASTON TOWN CODE TO REVISE THE TOWN'S FOREST CONSERVATION ORDINANCE."

Upon motion by Mr. Engle seconded by Mrs. Cook and carried unanimously, Ordinance No. 718 was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 6093; AMENDING THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN AND THE MD EMPLOYEES 457 PLAN.

Upon motion by Mr. Silverstein seconded by Mr. Leshar and carried unanimously, Resolution No. 6093 was approved.

ITEMS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

President Ford thanked Mr. Ross Benincasa, Manager; Easton Business Alliance for a nice St. Patrick's Day parade.

REVIEW OF INVOICES TOTALING \$1,679,583.38.

Upon motion by Mr. Leshar seconded by Mr. Engle and carried unanimously, invoices totaling \$1,679,583.38 were approved.

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ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion by Mr. Silverstein seconded by Mrs. Cook and carried unanimously, President Ford adjourned the regularly scheduled meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Kathy M. Ruf, Town Clerk