

**Town of Washington Park  
Washington Warren Airport Building  
November 5, 2018  
7:00 p.m.**

CresCom Bank	General Fund	\$ 106,864.16
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/Truck Fund	90,000.00
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill Checking	42,737.76
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill/Saving CD	82,937.25
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/CD	<u>73,791.99</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 396,331.16</b>

**Present**

Thomas B. Richter, Mayor  
Jeff Peacock, Mayor pro tem  
Lee Bowen, Commissioner  
Belinda Cowell, Commissioner  
Wade Dale, Commissioner  
Patrick Nash, Commissioner

**Absent**

Mayor Richter called the meeting to order. Commissioner Bowen made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Cowell. Passed by all.

Mayor Richter called on Carl and Marge Biedinger of 201 Edgewater Drive. The Biedingers said that they were concerned about the boat anchored on the Edgewater Avenue waterfront. They said that they had called the Sheriff's office. A deputy there suggested that they call Sea Tow. Discussion followed regarding boats anchored off the Washington Park waterfront. Commissioner Nash said that he would write letters to the owners of the boats advising them to remove the boats from the Washington Park waterfront. Mayor Richter thanked the guests for coming.

The financial report and the minutes were approved upon motion by Mayor pro tem Peacock. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

**Old Business**

East End Isabella Avenue: Commissioner Bowen reported that he had left messages for both Hood Richardson and Bill Few but had not heard back as of the meeting.

320 Isabella Avenue: Mayor Richter said that he has attempted to call Ms. Bell six times without success.

Minimum housing ordinance: The Board has reviewed the Minimum Housing Ordinance. Mayor Richter said that he would contact Ms. Byrd, Chairman of the Planning Board, to contact Dylan Bowen to fill the vacancy on the Planning Board and hold a meeting at the next Board meeting about the Minimum Housing Ordinance. Commissioner Dale made a motion to hold a public hearing on December 3, 2018 to adopt the Minimum Housing Ordinance as presented with appropriate public notification. Seconded by Mayor pro tem Peacock. Discussion followed. Passed by all.

### **Reports**

Commissioner Dale – reported that the benches had been re-installed on the waterfront. He reported that there were 85+ people at the Town Picnic; that the Montessori Charter School had held their 5K Run with about 100 people; that the Hydrocephalus 5K had been canceled due to the hurricane; and that approximately 20 people attended the Pickleball demonstration after the Town Picnic.

Commissioner Nash – no reported break-ins or reports from the Sheriff's office.

Commissioner Cowell – reported that the clerk had called her regarding a conversation with the homeowner about the tree at 122 Riverside. The clerk will notify Stewart Dudley when the owner is next in town to discuss the tree.

Commissioner Bowen – reported that St. Clair Trucking had quoted \$6900 to do ditch work behind 520 and 530 Isabella Avenue, in front of 416 Riverside Drive and at 400 Fairview Avenue. Commissioner Bowen will further converse with Mr. St. Clair regarding this project and verify the scope of the work.

Mayor pro tem Peacock – spoke about the Municipal Building restoration. Commissioner Dale made a motion to spend up to \$4000 for restoration of the office, meeting room, and bathrooms, including chairs, but not including any work in the kitchen. Seconded by Commissioner Bowen. Discussion followed. Passed by all. Mayor pro tem Peacock asked about the abandoned catamaran on the east end of the waterfront that had been through the storm and had no identification. Commissioner Nash will call the mayor of Wrightsville Beach regarding abandoned and derelict vessels. Mayor pro tem Peacock said that the safe in the Municipal Building will be removed as it is no longer needed. He will look into listing it on Craig's List.

### **Clerk's Report**

The clerk presented Budget Amendment to the Powell Bill for Isabella Avenue east end work. The clerk presented Budget Amendment to the General Fund for debris pickup from Hurricane Florence. The clerk presented Budget Amendment to the General Fund for office supplies (new filing cabinets, table, monitor and chair). The clerk presented Budget Amendment for Municipal Building repairs. The clerk presented a Resolution approving the Town Clerk to be the designated agent for FEMA. These amendments and resolution were approved by acclamation.

The clerk reported that \$13,167.43 had been received in ad valorem taxes; that the City of Washington was paid for the Fire and EMS contract for \$40,708.00; that Allen Pittman of the City of Washington had sent in the annual CRS information; that \$90 in pickleball and tennis keys had been sold; that NCLM had sent a refund of \$363.976 for the annual Worker's Compensation Fund Audit; and that a temporary RV permit had been issued to Melvin Grant at 501 Bank Street. She reported that the light on the waterfront at Walnut needs new underground wiring and will be done when the City contractor is available. The clerk reported that the Board of Elections had made a sign informing people of the temporary polling place on River Road.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 3, 2018, at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

Denise D. Dale  
Clerk, Town of Washington Park