

## MINUTES

### BEL AIR BOARD OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners was called to order on Monday, September 7, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 39 N. Hickory Avenue, Bel Air, Maryland.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Amy G. Chmielewski, Chair  
Kevin M. Bianca, Vice Chair  
Erin S. Hughes  
Donna L. Kahoe  
Patrick T. Richards

**STAFF PRESENT:** L. Jesse Bane, Town Administrator  
Trish Heidenreich, Director of Economic Development  
Kevin Small, Director of Planning  
Stephen Kline, Director of Public Works  
Michael Krantz, Director of Administration  
Lisa Moody, Director of Finance  
Patti Parker, Community & Public Relations Manager  
Charles Moore, Chief of Police  
Charles Keenan, Town Counsel  
Catherine Butrim, Recording Secretary

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Commissioner Hughes moved and Commissioner Bianca seconded the motion to approve the Agenda as written.

Ayes: Commissioners Bianca, Hughes, Kahoe, Richards and Chmielewski

Nays: None

The motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Hughes moved and Commissioner Bianca seconded the motion that the minutes of the Board of Commissioners' meetings held on August 16, 2021 and August 31, 2021 be approved as submitted.

Ayes: Commissioners Bianca, Hughes, Kahoe, Richards and Chmielewski

Nays: None

The motion carried.

#### **PROCLAMATION:**

##### National Recovery Month in Bel Air

Chair Chmielewski stated that September is National Recovery Month and introduced Jennifer Redding, Executive Director of Behavioral Health at UM Upper Chesapeake and Klein Family Crisis Center.

On behalf of the citizens in the Town of Bel Air, the Board of Commissioners proclaimed the month of September 2021 National Recovery Month and called upon the citizens of the Town of Bel Air to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities and ceremonies to support this year's National Recovery Month.

Chair Chmielewski presented the proclamation to Ms. Redding, who expressed her thanks for the presentation of the proclamation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution No. 1173-21 Parking by Permit Only

Commissioner Bianca moved and Commissioner Hughes seconded the motion that Resolution No. 1173-21, amending the Town's "Parking by Permit Only" areas, be approved by the Bel Air Board of Commissioners.

Ayes: Commissioners Bianca, Hughes, Kahoe, Richards and Chmielewski

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Petition for Zoning Reclassification of 43 E. Broadway

Commissioner Bianca moved and Commissioner Kahoe seconded the motion that the petition by Colgate Investments to reclassify the zoning for 43 East Broadway from R2-TO to B3-A be referred to the Bel Air Planning Commission for review and recommendation.

Ayes: Commissioners Bianca, Hughes, Kahoe, Richards and Chmielewski

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Street Resurfacing and Handicap Ramps Construction Contract

Commissioner Kahoe moved and Commissioner Bianca seconded the motion that the proposal of Frank J. Goettner Construction Co., Inc., 1520 Edgewood Road, Edgewood, Maryland to resurface Lee Way, Gordon Street, Williams Street, Old Orchard Alley, Hall Street, Jackson Boulevard and Bedford Road as well as replace concrete handicap ramps and curb and gutter along those sections of roads, all in accordance with contract specifications for an amount not to exceed \$432,580.00, be accepted by the Board of Town Commissioners.

Ayes: Commissioners Bianca, Hughes, Kahoe, Richards and Chmielewski

Nays: None

The motion carried.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Chair Chmielewski thanked everyone who attended Bel Air Community Clean Up on Sunday, September 5. Chair Chmielewski expressed gratitude to Patti Parker for organizing the event and thanked Commissioners Hughes and Bianca, who both were in attendance.

Chair Chmielewski extended the Town's warmest wishes for everyone who celebrates Rosh Hoshana.

Chair Chmielewski advised that September 8 is the first day of school for Harford County Public Schools, and she extended the Town's wishes to the students, faculty and parents for a safe and happy school year. Chair Chmielewski advised that Town residents should be mindful of school buses, crosswalks, crossing guards and increased pedestrian and vehicle traffic. Chair Chmielewski advised that several downtown businesses, including Black-Eyed Suzie's, Farmhouse on Main, Boutique 44 and Newberry Bakery and Café will be opening at 9:00 a.m. on September 8 for Mom's Morning Out.

Chair Chmielewski informed about the following events:

- Wednesday, September 8 – Native Plant Sale from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the barn at Rockfield Manor.
- Saturday, September 11 – The Bel Air Volunteer Fire Company will host a 20th Anniversary September 11 Commemorative Ceremony from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the main fire station on South Hickory Avenue. The ceremony will be outdoors and open to the public. There will be parking available in the municipal lot and the parking garage. South Hickory Avenue between Route 22 and Courtland Street will be closed to traffic during the ceremony.
- Sunday, September 12 – The Bel Air Downtown Alliance will be hosting the Belle Aire Market on the Black Eyed Suzie's parking lot from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 18 - The Bel Air Armory will host the Plein Air Festival Public Gallery Sale from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, September 19 – The Festival for the Arts will be held at Shamrock Park from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Monday, September 20 – The Bel Air Police Department will host Chalk the Walk to recognize September as National Recovery Month. The event will be held in front of Town Hall from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

**APPROVED:** September 20, 2021

Signature on file  
Amy G. Chmielewski, Chair  
Board of Town Commissioners

Signature on file  
Michael L. Krantz, Town Clerk