

## TOWN OF BETTERTON

### Mayor & Council Workshop

August 24, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

Berterton, MD 21610

**Meeting was held through an online GotoMeeting link.**

### COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Mayor Sutton opened the workshop meeting at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Sutton, Councilman Fracassi, Councilman Gilchrest, Councilman Marcy, Councilman Pyfer, Town Attorney Yeager, Town Manager Mogle, and Town Clerk Dlugoborski.

RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE: Ginny Story, Dick Story, Candi Sorge, Russ Bell Cheryl Fracassi, Kyle Lindstrom, and Joe Sanders.

**Vote on Bids for Ericsson Avenue** - Preliminary Engineering Evaluation and Preparation of preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report. Mayor Sutton read Jim Wright's, County Engineer, comments in reference to the bids. Mr. Wright stated "AECOM has the best price but seems to limit meeting and time needed to address comments. RK&K seemed to include more time in their proposal for feedback from the Town and said they would address agency comments. I suggest making sure AECOM is giving you the same effort. I may have missed something, but if addressing agency comments becomes an hourly item, the total price changes quickly." The bids were AECOM \$42,500; RK&K \$47,500; and Landmark \$48,700. After brief discussion *Councilman Marcy made a motion to accept the low bid from AECOM; Councilman Gilchrest seconded; all in favor; motion carried.*

Dick Story commented that the Fire Company would like to have some involvement in the design of the Ericsson Avenue project. The Fire Company was not involved in the Wheeler Avenue project which they have express concern over the finished project.

AECOM has been award the bid for the Preliminary Engineering Evaluation and Preparation of preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report for Ericsson Avenue.

**Bid Opening – Bayside Shoreline Erosion Mitigation Project** – Construction Stone Revetment. Three bids were received. Mayor Sutton opened the bids.

1. Kingfisher - \$1,670,000
2. Lindstorm Excavating - \$663,973
3. Coastal Design & Construction - \$803,725.40

Bids will be forwarded to GBM for review/completeness. Once the reviews are received back, council will vote to award the bid.

### OPEN FORUM

Joe Saunders – local post-office self-service area is now open 7 days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group will be starting again on September 17<sup>th</sup>; October 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>; and November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. December 11<sup>th</sup>, Annual Christmas Party.

Mayor Sutton stated that there was a question from the last meeting about the special assessment amounts.

Class I (294)x \$175 = \$51,450  
Class II (5)x \$300 = \$1,500  
Class III (2)x \$425 = \$850  
Class III+\$187.50 (4) = \$5,825  
Total \$59,625

Kent Goes Purple for the month of September. This is a substance abuse awareness and prevention initiative of the Kent County Sheriff's Office and Chestertown Rotary Club that will engage our community and youth to stand up against substance abuse.

Sultana Project – Tom Mogle reported that a kayak trip is offered on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. for ages 10 and up. Participants will paddle from Betterton to Lloyd's Creek. Registration is through the Sultana Project.

Councilman Marcy commented about another beach meeting with the County but to also have someone from Open Space attend the meeting. Also looking to have a NO Wake Zone buoy installed to make the waterways/beach area safer. Looking into which agency should be contacted. Town Manager Mogle will check with DNR about the no wake zone and will be in touch with Parks and Recreation Director, Myra Butler and Open Space to set up a meeting.

Stop signs have been ordered for the 3-way stop at the intersection of Howell Point Road and Ericsson Avenue.

*A motion was made by Councilman Marcy to adjourn the August 24, 2021 workshop meeting; seconded by Councilman Fracassi; all in favor; motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Dlugoborski, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Approved:

September 14, 2021