**SNOW HILL MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**WORK SESSION**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022**

**Old Fire Hall, 212 W. Green Street, Snow Hill**

**Minutes**

**4:30pm – Work Session**

A Work Session of the Mayor and Town Council of Snow Hill, Maryland was held at The Old Fire Hall on Green Street on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, with Mayor Pruitt presiding.

**PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Mayor Michael Pruitt

Councilperson Janet Simpson

Councilperson Regina Blake

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

Rick Pollitt, Jr., Town Manager

Margot Resto, Deputy Town Manager

Randy Barfield, Public Works Director

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1. **Update**
   1. LGIT Safety Inspection/Services
      1. Rick Pollitt gave description of Safety Resources proposal vs. LGIT
      2. LGIT visited, gave initial recommendations
      3. Should be able to get same services from LGIT from the cost of our existing annual premium
      4. A follow-up meeting with LGIT will be held to do a line-by-line comparison
      5. If other services not provided, then Safety Resources may fill in those services
2. **Discussion**
   1. Chipper/Limbs Service
      1. Rick Pollitt gave overview of history
      2. Randy added to history/background, costs of service, frequency options, wear and tear, etc…; recommends one time per month
      3. Council Simpson asked - same size? Almost.
      4. Council Blake asked – too much wear and tear?
      5. Rick Pollitt – considering monthly as a transition until quarterly
      6. Mayor Pruitt – right now, catch everybody up, then monthly and then reassess in 5-6 mos.
   2. Christmas Parade
      1. Council wants to ride gator, will decorate
      2. Mayor ride with Police Chief
   3. Mini Zoo
      1. Margot Resto gave brief introduction
      2. Hogan Pesaniello invited to give description
      3. Mayor asked if seasonal/time sensitive? H.P. said it would be rotating with seasons, permanent
      4. Discussion between Mayor, Council and Hogan Pesaniello regarding potential Town-owned vacant buildings such as the former PNC bank building and the old train station with the PNC building seeming to attract a strong favorable reaction among the Council.
      5. Decision to meet with staff to flesh out details, possibilities
   4. Comprehensive Plan
      1. Rick Pollitt – due for revisiting and revising, updating; possibly hire consultant with grant funds, described options for approach; charge planning commission to handle, bring proposal to Council; mandated by state, have a few years (COVID extension)
3. **Closed Session – Council Simpson read Closing Statement. Motion to adjourn Open Session made by Councilperson Blake, seconded by Councilperson Simpson, all in favor.**

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| **Jenny Hall** |  |  |  |  | **X** |
| **Regina Blake** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Janet Simpson** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
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1. **Return to Open Session - Council Blake motioned to return to Open Session, seconded by Councilperson Simpson, all in favor. Mayor Pruitt reported that during Closed Session, Mayor & Council discussed two personnel matters involving contracts and potential legal matters. The meeting was informational and no votes were taken. Time was 5:43pm.**

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1. **Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Councilperson Blake, seconded by Councilperson Simpson, all in favor. The time was 5:44pm.**

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Respectfully submitted,

Margot Resto

Deputy Town Manager