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TOWN OF EASTON, MARYLAND
Easton Town Hall
14 S. Harrison Street

February 7, 2011

PRESENT AT CONVENING

Mayor Robert C. Willey	12	Councilmember Leonard E. Wendowski
Councilmember Kelley K. Malone	13	Councilmember Megan M. Cook
Councilmember Pete Leshner		

IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance were the Town Manager Mr. Karge, the Town Attorney Ms. VanEmburch, Economic Development Director Mrs. Scott Taylor and Town Clerk Mrs. Ruf.

CONVENING

At 6:23 p.m. prior to the Police Board meeting, due to the excused absence of the President of the Council, the Town Clerk called the meeting to order and entertained a motion from Mr. Leshner seconded by Mrs. Cook and carried unanimously to nominate Acting President Wendowski as acting President of the Council.

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

Ms. Malone opened the meeting with remarks and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2011 MEETING.

Upon motion by Mr. Leshner seconded by Ms. Malone and carried unanimously, minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

ITEMS BY MAYOR WILLEY.

Mayor Willey discussed a recent meeting in Annapolis to discuss the Maryland state budget.

Mayor Willey discussed legislation that was recently brought to his attention at the Legislative Committee Hearings.

Mr. Hause and Mayor Willey will attend the upcoming Board of Public Works meeting in Annapolis where the Town of Easton is in line to receive a \$650,000 grant for the Tanyard Branch Watershed project.

MEMO FROM MAYOR REGARDING APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

Upon motion by Mr. Leshner seconded by Ms. Malone and carried unanimously, Mr. Gary M. Molchan's appointment to the Board of Appeals was approved. Mr. Molchan's appointment will commence March 15 for the remainder of a three year term expiring December 31, 2013.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR THE YEAR OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Mrs. Cook presented a Proclamation For the Year of Frederick Douglass to Mr. Eric Lowery of the Frederick Douglass Honor Society.

Girl Scouts and boys from Building African American Minds were present and sang Happy Birthday to Frederick Douglass and distributed cake.

Mr. Eric Lowery updated on the schedule of the statue. He stated that they plan to begin installation of concrete for the base with erection of the statue planned for June.

ITEMS BY THE TOWN MANAGER.

REQUEST FROM TALBOT COUNTY GARDEN CLUB FOR DEDICATION SIGN FOR EASTON RAILROAD STATION GARDEN.

67 Mr. Karge stated that the staff has conveyed complete support for the sign at the train station. He stated that
68 it is a fitting honor for Mrs. Shannahan.

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70 Upon motion by Mr. Leshner, seconded by Mrs. Cook and carried unanimously; the sign in honor of Mrs.
71 Shannahan at the Railroad Station was approved.

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73 Acting President Wendowski asked about the request previously brought before the council for residential
74 parking in the business section.

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76 Mr. Karge stated that they are not ready to offer a solution but he will notify the council of staff
77 recommendations.

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79 **ITEMS BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY.**

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81 Mrs. VanEmburch discussed an election memo in the packet from her office regarding dates for the
82 upcoming election. She stated that nominations are due at the Town office at the close of business on April
83 4 with the Town election occurring May 2 for Mayor, Ward I and Ward III Councilpersons.

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85 **MRS. MAUREEN SCOTT-TAYLOR, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TO PRESENT**
86 **QUARTERLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE.**

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88 Mrs. Scott-Taylor discussed the 300th Anniversary, grants, the downtown area and Banning's Tavern
89 steakhouse.

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91 She updated on Main Street activities and longtime marketing strategies. She discussed Parking Committee
92 recommendations.

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94 **ORDINANCE NO. 583, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EASTON AMENDING**
95 **SECTIONS 29.8.3 AND 29.8.5 OF THE TOWN OF EASTON CODE REGARDING SITE**
96 **SPECIFIC ANALYSIS FOR DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES WITHIN THE TOWN."**

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98 Acting President Wendowski brought Ordinance No. 583 to the floor for a first reading.

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100 Town Attorney Ms. VanEmburch discussed the proposed ordinance. She stated that this is an amendment
101 to the Code.

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103 Acting President Wendowski set a Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 583 for Tuesday, February 22 at 7:30
104 p.m.

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106 **ORDINANCE NO. 584, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EASTON RENUMBERING THE**
107 **CHAPTER 29 FOREST CONSERVATION TO CHAPTER 31."**

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109 Acting President Wendowski brought Ordinance No. 584 to the floor for a first reading. Mrs. VanEmburch
110 discussed the renumbering logic.

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112 **ITEMS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

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114 Mayor Willey stated that on February 17 and 18 the Town of Easton will be hosting the Local Government
115 Advisory Commission which is part of the Chesapeake Bay program. They will tour the Town of Easton and
116 things that deal with water quality and environmental issues.

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118 Ms. Malone congratulated Acting President Wendowski for his Eagle Spirit Award. Ms. Malone thanked the
119 County Council for their recent work in moving forward with plans for Alternative Seven and other options
120 that have recently come to light in regards to the Talbot County Airport runway extension.

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122 Mrs. Cook thanked Easton Volunteer Fire Department for a great dinner and all the work they do for the
123 Town of Easton.

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125 Acting President Wendowski thanked the Fire Department and their members for their service.

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127 **ADJOURN**

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129 At 7:54 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Leshner seconded by Mrs. Cook and carried unanimously; Acting President
130 Wendowski adjourned the regularly scheduled meeting.

