

Town of Henlopen Acres

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MINUTES: The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Henlopen Acres held a Special Meeting at **10:00am on Friday, May 4, 2018** at Town Hall, 104 Tidewaters, Henlopen Acres, Delaware.

PRESENT:

Frank Jamison	President Pro-Tempore
Joni Reich	Commissioner
Andrew Brittingham	Commissioner
John Staffier	Commissioner
Thomas Roth	Town Manager
Lisa Michaels	Town Clerk
John Scheurer	62 Tidewaters
Wendy Jacobs	24 Rolling Rd
Henry DeWitt	55 Fields End

EXCUSED:

Beatrix Richards	Commissioner
Tim Hidell	Commissioner

[Minutes are Not Verbatim]

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by President Pro-Tempore Frank Jamison at 10:00am.

2. Nomination and Election for the Office of Mayor

Mr. Jamison requested nominations for the office of Mayor. Commissioner John Staffier nominated Commissioner Joni Reich. Commissioner Andrew Brittingham seconded the nomination. The Board unanimously voted to elect Ms. Reich the next Mayor of Henlopen Acres.

3. Administration of Oath of Office to the newly elected Mayor

Town Manager Thomas Roth administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Reich.

4. Update on marina dredging solutions

Mayor Reich and Mr. Roth shared with the Commissioners the details of the Joint Permit Processing Meeting they attended with Ms. Evelyn Maumeyer on April 19, 2018. Also in attendance were representatives from the Army Corps of Engineers, DNREC, Delaware Coastal Management Program, DE Division of Fish and Wildlife, the EPA and DE Division of Parks and Recreation. Ms. Maumeyer and Mr. Roth presented their request to do maintenance dredging of the Henlopen Acres Marina with spray disposal onto tidal wetlands adjacent to the Lewes and Rehoboth Canal across from the marina. The next steps for the Town is an evaluation of the wetlands where the disposal spray would go by DNREC and also the evaluation of the Snug Harbor area in North Shores as another

possible disposal sight. Chemical testing will also need to be performed on the material to be dredged from the marina by the EPA. Another suggestion was to use the dredging material to fill in old mosquito ditches that are considered environmentally detrimental to wetland ecology. Mr. Roth and Mayor Reich felt the overall tone of the meeting was optimistic and will continue to work through the process with Ms. Maumeyer. Mayor Reich will continue to work with the Association of Coastal Towns (ACT) to lobby the state and federal governments for funding to dredge the Canal. Mr. Roth recently attended a meeting of ACT and updated the Commissioners that the Association has hired Tony Pratt as a consultant to help lobby the state and federal government.

5. Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn was made by Mr. Staffier and seconded by Mr. Jamison. The meeting was adjourned at 10:18am.

Approved 07/13/2018