

April 2, 2020

Online Public Meeting using Zoom

Regular Meeting

Just prior to the start of the April 2, 2020 Regular Meeting using Zoom Public Meeting Format, the meeting was hacked and Lt. Bacorn had to close the meeting in order to stop the inappropriate activity.

At 7:05 PM, Lt. Bacorn reopened the live meeting.

Mayor McNinch called the Regular Meeting of the Denton Town Council to order at 7:05 PM on this date, leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. This meeting was held online using Zoom

Mayor McNinch thanked everyone for joining the Council with the new online meeting format and took roll call.

Mayor McNinch, Council Members Branson, Lister, Johnson and Wilson were all present.

Staff participating included Mr. Don Mulrine, Town Administrator, Karen Monteith, Clerk-Treasurer, Lt. George Bacorn, Mark Chandler, Phil Clark and David Renshaw.

Mr. Chris Drummond, Town Attorney, also participated in the meeting.

Mayor McNinch announced the meeting protocol and stated that until further notice all meetings will be held online or by conference call.

Mayor McNinch announced that the March Meeting Minutes were not available at this time.

Public Hearing

None

Petitions, Remonstrance's, and Communication

Proclamation –YMCA Child Abuse Prevention Month

Mayor McNinch acknowledged that Mr. Angel Perez of the YMCA was participating in the meeting. Reading a Proclamation of the Denton Town Council to recognize and support the Caroline County YMCA on their upcoming Child Abuse Prevention – Five Days of Action Theme Event to be held April 13 -17, 2020. Mayor McNinch commended Mr. Perez and the YMCA for their community outreach and educational programming efforts.

Mr. Perez thanked the Mayor and Town Council for their support of the YMCA. Mr. Perez shared that with everything going on the YMCA is going to turn their focus to do more educational events on social media.

Proclamation – 2019 Best in Business Awards – Denton Businesses

Mayor McNinch announced the Businesses from the Town of Denton that won the Caroline County Chamber of Commerce 2019 Best in Business Awards. The Businesses located within the Town of Denton winning awards included:

Top Knot Salon and Purple Peake as the Rising Star Awardee's

CASA of Caroline, Amy Horne as the Chamber Ambassador

Choptank Community Health Systems – Excellence in Innovation Award

Caroline County Family YMCA – Best Non-Profit Award

Mayor McNinch congratulated the award recipients and read Proclamations that will be presented to each business.

Caroline County States Attorney's Office Monthly Report

The States Attorney's Monthly Activity Report was not available.

Veteran's Parade Update

Mr. Royce Ball of the Mid-Shore Veterans Group announced that due to the COVID-19 Virus that they are postponing the April 3, 2020 Veterans Parade. Mr. Ball thanked the Mayor and Council for all their support of the event and for doing a good job keeping the residents safe during this time.

Unfortunately, at approximately 7:14 PM, the meeting was hacked from an outside source again, and Lt. Bacorn had to close the meeting again. All participants logged out of the meeting.

At 7:17 PM Lt. Bacorn turned the meeting back on.

At 7:19 PM as we were waiting for all the participants to join, the hacker started disrupting the meeting again. Lt. Bacorn was able to stop the hacker.

At 7:21 PM several hackers took over.

At 7:25 PM Mayor McNinch announced the meeting was adjourning and will be reconvened at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen L. Monteith,
Clerk - Treasurer*