

## **November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

At the Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen/women of the Town of Canton held at the Colonial Theatre, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:30pm with Mayor Smathers and Aldermen/women Mull, Hamlett, Smith and Markey present, the following proceedings were held.

### **A. Oath of Office Ceremony**

Master of Ceremonies Richard Hurley began the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

### **B. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**

Pastor Court Greene gave the Invocation, Master of Ceremonies Richard Hurley led those present in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **C. Oath of Office**

Bradley Letts administered the Oaths of Office for the newly elected officials Zeb Smathers as Mayor, Kristina Smith and James Markey as Aldermen/women.

### **D. Mayor Comments**

Mayor Smathers thanked everyone for coming to support the new leadership and assured them that this Board would seek what was in the best interest of Canton. Mayor Smathers thanked his family, co-workers, friends, and Town staff for their support. Mayor Smathers congratulated the new board members and expressed his eagerness to get to work on the future with them.

### **E. Aldermen/Women Comments**

Alderman Smith expressed her gratitude to her family and all those that help her during the campaign and promised that she would serve Canton and her citizens to the best of her ability. Alderman Smith also thanked the Town staff for all that they do daily to make Canton a wonderful place to live.

Alderman James Markey stated that he wanted to thank his family and all the people responsible for helping him to get

elected stating that he loved Canton and the people that embraced him when he first moved here. Alderman Markey commented that the citizens of Canton were remarkable people with so much love and joy that made this the perfect place to live and he was eager to work with the other Board officials to continue to make this the best place for everyone.

#### **F. Roll Call/Call to Order**

Mayor Smathers called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Smathers noted that Aldermen/women Mull, Hamlett, Smith, and Markey were present, as well as the Town Manager and Town Clerk.

#### **G. Reports from the Manager**

Manager Burrell welcomed the Board members and expressed his eagerness to work with each of them.

#### **H. New Business**

##### Meeting Dates and Times

Alderman Hamlett made a motion to leave the meeting dates to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Alderwoman Mull seconded the motion with all members voting in favor of the motion.

##### Mayor Pro-Tem Selection

Alderwoman Smith made a motion to appoint Alderwoman Mull as Mayor Pro-Tem. Alderman Markey seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

##### TDA Representative Appointment

Manager Burrell stated that Alderwoman Mull was the existing appointee for the Tourism Development Authority (TDA Board) and inquired if she would be willing to continue to serve if appointed. Alderwoman Mull stated that she would be willing to remain the appointee if chosen by the Board. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to appoint Alderwoman Mull to the TDA Board for the Town of Canton. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

**I. Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next meeting will be December 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

**J. Adjournment**

There being no additional business, Mayor Smathers adjourned the Meeting at 7:37pm.

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Melisa Stinnett, Town Clerk