

**BOONSBORO MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**AUGUST 10, 2020**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**6:30 PM**

***Ordinance 2020-07; Zoning Text Amendment Storage Containers***

The Boonsboro Mayor and Council held a Public Hearing as duly advertised on Monday, August 10, 2020 in the Meeting Chambers of the Charles F. Kauffman Building. In attendance were Mayor Howard Long, Council Members Marilee Kerns, Ray Hanson, Terri Hollingshead, Tony Nally and Rick Weaver. Also present were Town Manager Paul Mantello, Office Manager Kimberly Miller and Interim Town Planner Tim Lung.

Mayor Long opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 PM for the purpose of receiving public input, either in support of or in opposition to Ordinance 2020-07; *Zoning Text Amendment Storage Containers*.

Interim Town Planner Lung presented a fair summary of proposed Ordinance 2020-07:

The purpose of the Town of Boonsboro's Zoning Text Amendment for Storage Containers Ordinance is to regulate the time period that residents can have 'portable storage containers' on their property and requires that a permit be obtained for the containers, noting that this includes PODS and other 'moving' containers, metal sea containers and large roll-off trash containers for home renovations.

No citizen comments were received.

Council Member Kerns stated that she is conflicted. She stated that residents who have gone through a hardship, such as a fire, should not have to go through a permit process. She further stated that she hates making rule to things that are not a big issue. Council Member Nally stated that he understands her concerns but that regulations need to be in place for those who take advantage of thing, noting that there are no rules in place for those that abuse the situation. Council Member Kerns stated that we are making unnecessary rule for those who don't abuse the situation. Council Member Nally stated that the Town will listen to residents who have hardship cases and that he feels the Town is moving in the right direction.

**Motion** by Council Member Nally, second by Council Member Hollingshead to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:43PM. *Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Miller  
Office Manager