

Town Council Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2012

6:30 pm

Bert Wells
Dean Geracimos
Frank Vari
Frank Hill, Mayor
Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

Rich Taylor
Ron Francis
Sharon Weygand, Town Administrator
Tomas Yeager, Town Attorney

Mayor Hill brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of minutes from Special Session/Workshop December 28, 2011

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Rich Taylor to approve the minutes from the Special Session on December 28, 2011. Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Abstain: R Francis –Absent. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes from Town Council Meeting January 9, 2012

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Bert Wells to approve the minutes for the Town Council meeting January 9, 2012. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of minutes from Closed Session Meeting January 9, 2012

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, Rich Taylor seconded, to approve the minutes from the Closed Session on January 9, 2012 with corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Announcements:

Frank Hill: Town Hall will be closed on the 20th, for President's Day

Frank Vari: Recyclable pick up on the south side on Saturday. Feb 25th will be the annual dinner for the CCVFC.

Sharon Weygand: P&Z workshop will be on the Bicycle Plan for the County.

Natalie Gentry: March 17th is the St Patrick's Day Parade at noon. There will be \$100 prize for the best float. April 13th Our Town Gala at Chesapeake Inn-\$45 per person, \$55 at the door.

PRESENTATION – WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS Dean Geracimos & Joel Mosca

Slide print out available in the minutes book. Will continue discussions at workshop.

Commissioner Reports:

Ron Francis Public Works – Feasibility study has been completed. Investigated the possibility of laying the gas lines with w/s lines, however the gas lines are not able to cross state lines. It took Elkton 5 years to get theirs in. 2 bids in for Helen Titter Park parking lot. Sidewalk grinding information to be presented at workshop. Jim Buckland has left Artesian.

Bert Wells Public Safety – Sgt Leas report in minutes book – shifted hours from February into the summers hours. Discussed “Your Speed” signs – will have more at workshop.

Charter - Ethics

Rich Taylor Financial
Historic –No January meeting. Appointments under Action Items

Frank Vari Planning & Zoning
Recycling-continues to do well. Town is in running for Top Municipality.
April 21st is Hazardous Materials Day at the dump.
5K Runs/Walks – getting ready for June race

Dean Geracimos Parks & Recreation-Meeting next Wednesday
Docks- are still closed until mid March
Little League –sign ups in full swing
Chamber of Commerce: Gala on 13th

Office Reports

- Sharon Weygand Town Administrator –Report in minutes book
- Valerie Walls Clerk/Treasurer – P&L Report attached in minutes book
- Frank Hill Mayor – working with SHA for a patch on drain from Tap Room to Ferry Slip Park. Attended hearing with Ron regarding Marine Gatherings. Asking that items for the agenda come to the Clerk at least a week ahead of time. Additions and changes made at 5:15 the day of the meeting is unacceptable.

Old Business

- Work-In-Process Ordinance regarding Water & Sewer Rate Levels –Feb workshop
- Comprehensive Dev Ordinances – will set date for Public Hearing at workshop
- Items from Parking Committee – Feb workshop
- Town Website – Feb workshop
- Rental Ordinances – Feb Workshop
- 175th Anniversary Committee – Feb workshop

New Business:

- 2012 top Notch Ornamental Bed Maintenance Contract

MOTION: Bert Wells made a motion, second by Dean Geracimos to approve the 2012 Top Notch Ornamental Bed Maintenance Contract at the 2011 pricing of \$4325.00. All in favor, motion carried.

- 2012 Agreement for Grass Cutting Services

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Ron Francis to continue the 2012 agreement with Broken Arrow at the 2011 price of \$11,350 in six equal payments. All in favor, motion carried.

- Helen Titter Park- continuing to the workshop
- Water & Sewer meeting

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion seconded by Ron Francis to hold a Special Session on Wednesday February 22 at 6:30pm to discuss water and sewer issues, including the interconnections and financing. All in favor, motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Historic Commission Appointment 1 year terms: Jeffra Moore & Natalie Gentry

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Ron Francis to approve both Jeffra Moore and Natalie Gentry to the Historic Commission for one year. All in favor, motion carried.

- Resolution 1.09.2012 Tourism Committee

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Bert Wells to approve Resoluion 1.09.2012 Tourism Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

- Resolution 01232012 Purposes of Approving and Accepting the Ninth Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Local Government Insurance Trust

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Ron Francis to approve Resolution 01232012 for the Local Government Insurance Trust. All in favor, motion carried.

- Ordinance 01092012 Imposing a User Fee on Charges For Seasonal and/or Annual Docking or Storage of Boats

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Bert Wells to approve Ordinance 01092012 Imposing a User Fee on Charges for Seasonal and/or Annual Docking or Storage of Boats, omitting Section 1, paragraph 6, “The Town may, at its option, audit the financial records and/or inspect the property of any business that is required to remit the annual fee.” All in favor, motion carried.

- Ordinance 02.13.2012 Possession and Consumption of Beer in Pell Gardens on Canal Day

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion seconded by Ron Francis to approve Ordinance 02.13.2012 for the Possession and Consumption of Beer in Pell Gardens on Canal Day, June 30, 2012. All in favor, motion carried.

- 4th St Parking Lot

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Frank Vari to approve the invoice for \$4037.50 for the work at the 4th Street Parking Lot. All in favor, motion carried.

Note: Funds to be transferred from the Roads Fund.

- Events Form

- St. Patty's Day Parade-Chamber
 - Easter Egg Hunt-Town Gardens
 - Little League Parade-Town
 - Pet Parade-Chamber
 - House and Garden Tour-Chamber
 - Canal Days-CCDCA
 - Chesapeake City Fire Works-Chamber
 - Nur Shirner Hospital Cruise & mini Parade-Self
- * Lions Club Annual Car Show-self
 - *Chesapeake City Bridal Show-Pell
 - *Halloween Fall Fest-Chamber

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Ron Francis to approve the above events in Chesapeake City. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment:

T Riggs: Questioning the legality of the User Fees on marinas in basin not owned by the Town.

K Reed: Questioning the jurisdiction of collections of User Fees

MOTION: Rich Taylor made a motion, Frank Vari seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

D. Valerie Walls, Clerk Treasurer

Frank Hill, Mayor