

Town Council Public Hearing/Special Session/Workshop  
May 28, 2015

Present: Harry Sampson, Bill Miners, Bert Wells – Vice Mayor, Frank Vari, Tom Morris, Town Attorney Tom Yeager, Town Manager Sandra Edwards, Clerk/Treasurer Valerie Walls. Absent: Dean Geracimos, Mayor.

Public Hearing

**MOTION:** Bill Miners made a motion, seconded by Harry Sampson to open a Public Hearing. All in favor, motion carried.

Ordinance for the Line of Credit –No public comment

Closed to the hearing of the Ordinance for the Line of Credit

Budget 2015/2016-No public comment

Closed the portion of the Budget 2015/2016

**MOTION:** Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Harry Sampson to close the public hearing part of the meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Special Session

**MOTION:** Tom Morris made a motion, seconded by Bill Miner to open the Special Session. All in favor, motion carried.

Ordinance for the Line of Credit with Columbia Bank

**MOTION:** Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Tom Morris to approve the Ordinance for the line of credit with Columbia Bank. All in favor, motion carried

Constant Yield Tax Rate: To approved the constant yield .4488

**MOTION:** Bill Miners made a motion, seconded by Harry Sampson to accept the Constant Yield Tax Rate of .4488. All in favor, motion carried.

Budget

**MOTION:** Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Bill Miners to approve the budget as presented with the Constant Tax Yield Rate of .4488. All in favor, motion carried.

Miller Contract:

*Last meeting it was voted for one year contract. Upon review it requires a two year contract.*

**MOTION:** Tom Morris made a motion, seconded by Harry Sampson to increase the previous motion from one to two years. All in favor, motion carried.

*Tom and Sandra to work together to do a one page extension agreement.*

**MOTION:** Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Bill Miners to close the Special Session. All in favor, motion carried.

#### Workshop

Landscaping Plan: questions about cutting the grass at the entrances, trying to reach the SHA to take care of it. Biddle Street planting should be next week.

Utility Plan – nothing from Harry – Dean has been handling. The utility company's were contacted that we did pass an ordinance for putting 50% cost to them. Delmarva was having their legal department looking at it – Sandra did receive a letter that Tom has seen – When the work is ready they will respond. Told the Engineer to work on Streetscape. Tom to ask at next meeting with MML Council – has anyone done. Council is okay with Tom sending out letter about poles that we're being billed for with Delmarva since have not received a response.

Infrastructure Plan - on line with WW plant – we are waiting for a determination how we secured out town engineer – making sure MDE is okay with him working on Preliminary design work. Met with USDA Denise regarding WW Plant and potential water tower at Bo Manor – USDA would fund that. KCI plan does not include an enclosed sewer plant. What would be the financial impact to have an enclosed sewer plant? Sandra will ask Dan. Rob has provided a list of items being worked on.

Sidewalk Plan: no information from SHA – Safe Routes to school – trying to get a meeting with both the Mayor & SHA for grant money – Sandra to check on date deadline. Starting Bank Street parking shortly. Tree will be coming down next week –

Signage Plan – nothing specific – information on docks – renovations on south dock on schedule –hope to finish June 5<sup>th</sup>. The north dock – agreement with Insurance Co – bids to replace it – Preconstruction meeting is set up – will not be getting addition money from DNR – not eligible because not using for transient boats. Channel markers were ordered – hope to avoid boats running aground. Repainting around the boardwalk – Mayor and Council wanted it done by Memorial Day – Contractor has not responded to inquires – Sandra Edwards feels we should wait until the end of the boating season – we have boaters having paid for slips need to get to them – welcomes thoughts Bert wants it done sooner than later. Council agrees the work will be weather dependent.

Trail Plan - Black topping. June 10<sup>th</sup> will walk with Rob and Frank Vari; Race will be marked after the 10<sup>th</sup>. County is doing Nature Trail brochure. Gate type and location has been resolved – the height has been raised substantially. Contractor has redone the driveways to make them flush.

Economic Impact Plan: Tourism – spread in Newark Life/Middletown Life – nice article about Chesapeake City. Starting June 13<sup>th</sup> Museum will open during the weekends – 11-4 Sat & Sun; through the week, 8-4. Museum at Franklin Hall should be done by Labor Day. Discussion on lease on property in corner by the water as a potential site for Shakespeare in the Park.

CPR – moved to the next workshop

New Business

Purchasing AED – would like David to carry one on his truck – another posted on deck?  
Concerned if left inside and not being available when Town Hall is closed. Can the Town require that all restaurants have one? WORKSHOP item/discussion.

Mayor Comments – he was asked to speak at Graduation – a Commencement Speech as a student advocate – not as Mayor.

June 11<sup>th</sup> is graduation

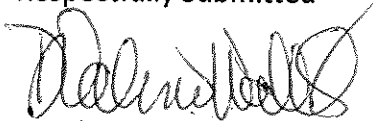
June 1<sup>st</sup> is Election Day, Poles open at 1p-730pm

Bill – trying to get w/s connections to Fire Co – spoke with Eric Sentrum everything is in for the state – technically it's not in PFA. MDE would do maps during May – Sandra has been in contact with MDE and they are waiting on the County – who claim they've sent everything in.

Tom Morris received appreciation

Workshop Adjourn 8:04pm.

Respectfully Submitted



D. Valerie Walls  
Clerk/Treasurer



Dean Geracimos  
Mayor