

Town Council Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2011

6:30 pm

Bert Wells, Absent
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 October 12, 2011

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, Rich Taylor seconded, to approve the minutes from October 12, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of minutes from the Closed Session dated October 17, 2011

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, seconded by Rich Taylor to approve the minutes for the Special Session dated October 17, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of minutes from Special Session dated October 24, 2011

MOTION: Rich Taylor made a motion, seconded by Dean Geracimos to approve the Special Session minutes from October 24, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Announcements:

Frank Hill: The Pet Parade is on the 19th of November; the 27th is the tree lighting in Pell Garden. Mark your calendars for the 10th for the Candlelight Tour.

Sharon Weygand: Open House for Town Hall is the 16th, bring your favorite dish.

Dean Geracimos: At the workshop in November there will be a presentation regarding the trail from Delaware

Frank Vari: Nov 26th is salvageable metals on the south side. Volunteers and sponsors needed for the 5K in January, please remember your non-perishable food item. We would like to fill a truck. We are a drop off point for the Toys for Tots. The Sheriff's Department returned our donation from the Bridge Event- we will send appreciation letters to the deputies that worked the event.

Jim Baxter, the auditor for the Town, gave an overview of the Budget for fiscal year 2010/2011.

Proclamation: Municipal Government Works Together Month-Copy in Minutes Book

Proclamation: Distribution of Buddy Poppy's November 11-14, 2011-Copy in Minutes Book

Commissioner Reports:

Ron Francis Public Works – Lights will be up on the tree at the base of the bridge this week; permit parking has been painted on several bumpers on the south side; two trees trimmed on Bohemia- Delmarva is scheduled to do more trimming; SHA to repair sinkhole at the Overlook.

Bert Wells Public Safety – Sgt Leas report attached;
Charter
Ethics.

Rich Taylor Financial
Historic

Frank Vari Planning & Zoning
Parking Committee-workshop items.
Recycling: Met with Elkton Mayor regarding our salvageable metal program

5K Runs/Walks: Need Volunteers/Sponsors New Years Day race

- Engineering Contract for Water Meters

MOTION: Ron Francis made a motion, seconded by Frank Vari to accept the lowest responsible bid from Arro Consulting for \$24,844 subject to MDE review. All in favor, motion carried.

- Winter Maintenance Contract

Council felt more clarification was needed on hourly rates and what was included.

MOTION: Dean Geracimos made a motion, seconded by Ron Francis to reject all bids and clarify the bid. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Mr. Bobby: Same situation as last meeting, does not understand why Town is charging him two base rates, one for the store and one for the apartment. If he owned the building, he would only have one. Owner not willing to work with him and his lease states he would pay the water bill. Town Attorney is able to give him advice, suggested he contact an attorney because the property owner is liable for the water and sewer. Council cannot advise.

MOTION: Frank Vari made a motion, Ron Francis seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

D. Valerie Walls, Clerk Treasurer

Frank Hill, Mayor