

Town Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2014
7 pm

Attending Officers: Keith Hughes, Ross Logan, Gary Rauso and Curt Nass; with Scott MacKenzie

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Guests: NCC Councilman John Cartier attended and presented the December police statistics showing 49 calls in town, 13 of them self-initiated by the officers involved. The report was turned over to Dave Brenner to be placed on the Town website. Cartier also presented the most recent Property Code Enforcement report to the Commission. Cartier shared a flyer for a town hall meeting with NCC Executive Tom Gordon on January 22 at Brandywine Town Center. Dave Brenner asked about progress on the completion of the Gov. Printz project. Cartier said that the contractor is currently finishing up and that the paving of the southbound lanes should be completed soon and that the barriers would be taken down.

While on the subject of streets, Gary reported that he had contacted DelDOT and that the "Traffic Pattern" signs (which are very big and require cars to cross into oncoming traffic) are to be replaced soon by smaller signs.

Public Comments: Keith asked anyone who had business or comments to make them now. There were no public comments.

Minutes: Ross made a motion to dispense with the minutes and to approve the minutes as presented by Scott MacKenzie, seconded by Gary, and the motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Curt Nass gave the Treasurer's Report (attached). A motion was made by Ross to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Gary and approved unanimously.

Building Inspector's Report: Keith received no report from the Building Inspector but there was an \$80 check sent to Town Hall for 1015 Brandywine Blvd. (Blueberry Hill).

Plumbing Inspector's Report: Steve Russo attended and submitted checks for \$50 for a water heater at 702 Fairview and \$50 for a water heater on Euclid (exact address unknown).

Planning Commission: Scott reported that a public hearing was held just before this meeting and that a brief discussion was held about term limits mentioned in the draft Charter. Scott said that the public hearing, as well as the previous one held in December, were duly advertised in the News Journal and that it was noticed that the Commission would be considering the first reading of the revised Charter tonight. Scott said that if he becomes a member of the Commission he would recuse himself from the vote since he was a member of the Charter Commission.

Correspondence:

- The Town received notice that Stephanie Rizzo is our new contact in the NCC Dept. of Land Use.
- The Town received a note of thanks from the BHFC Ladies Auxiliary.

Board of Adjustment: Brian Donovan sent word that there has been no activity; Rich Mulhern reported no activity or correspondence.

Scott requested that Keith contact Kathy to see about getting the password for the Town email account. Keith said he would handle that and that he would look into simplifying the Verizon answering service at Town Hall.

Planning Commission: Scott said that there was no activity to report and that he would look into a chair to take his place on the Planning Commission by the next meeting.

Payment of Bills:

The following bills were submitted for payment:

Jos. Finocchairo, salting	1227.50
Jos. Finocchiaro, plowing 1 st snowfall	5690.00
Jos. Finocchiaro, plowing 2 nd snowfall	4405.00
Delmarva Power, street lights	1512.34
News Journal, public notice	174.72
Verizon	112.27
Delmarva Power, traffic light	21.70
Delmarva Power, town hall power	50.75
Keith Hughes, Town website reimbursement	140.00
Russo Brothers Plumbing, new thermostat	107.00
Steve Russo, fees, 2 inspections	50.00
Penny Hill Landscaping, gutter cleaning, misc	773.50
Curt Nass, Tax collector's commission	7533.16
IRS, FICA taxes on Curt's commission	1248.05

Gary made a motion to pay the bills as read, seconded by Ross.

New Business:

- Gary made a motion for approval of \$8,750 for painting of the lower level of the daycare (from an estimate). On discussion, it was agreed that Gary would try to get at least one other bid before a decision be made.
- Gary made a motion for approval of \$350 for each of three months to hire entertainment for the park during the summer , seconded by Ross and approved. Gary said he would look for acts to perform once per month during June, July, and August.
- On discussion, Curt suggested that an amount be approved for Waste Industries so that the bill can be paid; motion amended and passed unanimously. (The bill was found later for \$11,697.32 for Waste Industries).
- Keith nominated Scott MacKenzie as a member of the Town Commission. Scott said that he would agree to the duties of Secretary provided that he did not have to be involved in correspondence with the Town attorney. Gary made a motion to accept Scott as a Commissioner to occupy a vacant seat, with a term expiring June 2015. Scott was sworn into the Commission.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: Keith announced that the next Town Meeting will be held on February 10 at 7 pm.

Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ross and the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Scott MacKenzie, Secretary

Approved