

Town Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 10, 2014

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

Excused: Scott MacKenzie (minutes taken by Dave Brenner)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Guests: NCC Councilman John Cartier attended and presented the January/February police statistics showing 33 calls in town, 4 of them self-initiated by the officers involved. The report was turned over to Dave Brenner to be placed on the Town website. There was a side discussion centering around the recent attack on one of a resident on Brandywine Blvd. It appeared to be a random attack in the afternoon. It is under investigation by the NCC Police.

State Representative Debra Heffernan discussed the change in traffic signals at the intersection of Marion Avenue & Brandywine Bld. There was discussion of the current placement of the stop signs and possible moving some of the locations due to obstructed views. Debra will speak with DelDot staff.

Debra asked about the progress of the Charter revision and was told it was about to be turned over to her office (after final vote later in the meeting) She said she is looking forward to introducing it in this session which starts shortly. We need to get it to her by March 1.

At this point, Dave Brenner , not wanting the guests to be held for the entire meeting digressed from the agenda to speak about the Stormwater Project and the financial impact that it could have on the Town of Bellefonte. He requested assistance from the State as well as the County. Both John and Debra were aware of the program but not fully aware of the impact it may have on the Town. Both agreed to look into possible financial assistance for the more technical measurement aspects. Dave will forward some of the documentation to both John and Debra.

Keith brought up road conditions and the proliferation of pot holes. There was much discussion of the recent snow plowing and use of salt on the roads.

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

Minutes: Keith read the minutes of the January 11, 2014 meeting. Gary made a motion to accept; Ross seconded and all voted in favor of accepting the minutes as read. Dave will post on the website.

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

Plumbing Inspector's Report: Steve Russo attended but there was no specific activity for the month. Gary requested that the Town waive the fee for the Plumbing Inspector fee required for extending a gas line 12-18 inches to a new gas tank. Gary made a motion, seconded by Ross, and the motion was approved. (Rescinded 3/10)

Planning Commission: Dave Brenner reminded the Commissioners of the procedure to follow regarding the Charter Revision; Gary then made a motion to accept this as the second reading and to waive the

reading, Ross seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor. Ross then made a motion to APPROVE the revised Charter and Gary seconded the motion. The unanimous vote was as follows: Gary, "I think it is good for the Town." Ross, "The charter needs to be brought up to date." Keith, "It is the right thing to do and it is part of the Town's Comprehensive Plan."

Correspondence:

Board of Adjustment: Rich Mulhern reported no activity or correspondence.

Keith has attempted to contact Kathy to see about getting the password for the Town email account. Curt said he would follow up with Kathy

Payment of Bills:

The following bills were submitted for payment:

Dave Brenner	Stormwater	\$273.54
Jos.Finocchiaro	Snow Plowing	\$9,850.00
Verizon	Telephone	\$114.35
Waste Industries	Trash collection	\$11,692.32
Delmarva Power	St lights	\$1,511.55
Delmarva Power	Traffic light	\$18.36
Delmarva Power	Town Hall gas	\$76.68
Delmarva Power	School elec&gas	\$1,180.86

New Business:

- There was a discussion of reviving the Town Newsletter in order to better inform our residents of town activities. Dave pointed out that one of the reasons we stopped (besides the work involved) was the expense involved and the disregard many of the residents had for the newsletter. Keith felt it was not that difficult to restart it and we should.
- Gary discussed potential upcoming events that we should have. He is arranging for concerts in the park and has two possible bands: Wilmington String Band and a Rock Band. Also discussed was the Arts Festival, Town Picnic, and a Community-Wide Yard Sale (NOT to be held on the day of the picnic).

Announcements:

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

Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ross and the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

DAB for Scott MacKenzie, Secretary

3/10/14

Approved