

**Town of Bellefonte**  
**Town Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2015**

Attending: Ross Logan, Scott MacKenzie, Gary Rauso and Curt Nass

Absent: Brandon Dougherty

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:07PM

**Special Guests:** None

**Minutes from December meeting** – Gary made a motion to waive reading of minutes and approve them as submitted, seconded by Ross. Motion carries. Minutes were distributed to those attending.

**Building Inspector's Report** - No building inspector report

**Plumbing Inspector's Report** - No plumbing inspector report

**Board of Adjustment** – Brian reported no activity.

**Planning Commission** – Dave said that no meeting had been held since December and said that the date of next meeting is set for Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Treasurer/Tax Collector Report:** Scott asked to have a list of all of the properties that have been submitted for reassessment added to the treasurer/tax collector report. Curt will add this in future reports. Motion to accept treasurer/tax collector report made by Gary, seconded by Ross. No discussion. Motion carries (all in favor)

**Reading/Approval of Bills:**

Delmarva Power Streetlights:	\$1,430.45
Voiler Safety Program:	\$30.00
Barbacane:	\$450.00
Brandon Dougherty (Quarterly Secretary Fee):	\$200.00
Brandon Dougherty (Reimbursement Food expenses/ Holiday Reception):	\$46.92
Elaine Chester (Reimbursement holiday party food):	\$41.98
Gonser @ Gonser (Call to department of land use):	\$29.00
Curt Nass (tax collector commission):	\$7,829.64
US Treasury (tax payment for tax collectors fees):	\$1,297.17
Waste Industries:	\$12,163.12
Finocciaro (Salting):	\$2092.50
Gary Rauso (reimbursement holiday party):	\$74.99

Motion to approve and pay bills made by Gary, seconded by Ross, no discussion, motion carries - all in favor.

Motion to sponsor Fox Point Babe Ruth team w/ banner (\$500), made by Gary, seconded by Ross. No discussion, motion carries - all in favor.

**President's Report:** Not very much activity. Replied to a couple emails, one that we will need to address in probably the next meeting from New Castle County Board of Elections. Scott will follow up with NCC BoE and will ask Elaine Chester to chair, without objection.

**Old Business:**

**Stormwater project** - no progress. DNREC and EPA are both "sitting on it". Project is about 4 months behind now.

**Intersection Improvement** - Curb painting on hold until Spring.

**Annexation:** No activity to report. Planning commission will be working on drafting an ordinance.

**Trash/Recycling Contract:** Gary moved to accept the new contract adding yard waste pickup to Waste Industries. Seconded by Ross. No discussion. Passed - all in favor. Scott is going to sign the contract and mail it to Waste Industries.

**New Business:**

**Anniversary Celebration:** Next meeting is next Monday, January 19th at 7PM. Scott would like to order and design banners for Brandywine Blvd. for the Springtime: Gary makes a motion to approve up to \$650 for this project, seconded by Ross. No discussion, motion carries (all in favor).

**Capital Improvements** - Proposal for repairs in Town Hall Annex by 2G's General Contractors: Proposal that was provided includes removing the baseboards so that the floors can get installed, but does not include replacing the actual baseboard heaters. They will be sending a new proposal for replacing the baseboards and boxing them out with radiator grating. There will also be a new proposal to make only one bathroom handicapped accessible. The new proposal will also include a bar height 6th island in the kitchen. Discussion was tabled to allow Councilman John Cartier to speak.

**Councilman Cartier:** Wishes everyone a happy New Year. He is going to make a grant available to Bellefonte to help with the centennial celebration. Police Report for Dec 13th - Jan 11th. One burglary, 4 domestic disputes, 1 disorderly conduct. "The usual". 21 calls. Scott mentioned that he is very pleased with the police response when the Town Hall was broken in to in September. There was a meeting at St. Helenas with members of the community. A lot of concern was expressed about crime in the area. Councilman Cartier advised to call the police in you feel unsafe etc. If you witness crime or are a victim of crime, call the police. There is an effort in this general assembly to require the filing and recording of a deed when a property is transferred. There is also discussion about a county solution for vacant residential properties.

Resume discussion about Capita Improvements. Recess for 5 minutes to look at Town Hall Annex at 8:07. Reconvened at 8:44.

Motion made by Gary to approve up to \$2,500 for demolition in the Town Hall Annex, seconded by Ross. No discussion. Motion passed, all in favor.

Announcements: February Town meeting is 2/9/2015.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50