

TOWN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2007
MINUTES

President Gell opened the meeting at 6:30 with Commissioners Gell, Vandervort, Sheets, Durange and Price in attendance.

A moment was given for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Accounts Payables were read and a motion was made by Commissioner Sheets to approve them. Motion passed 5-0.

The minutes from the July 24, 2007, meeting were read. Commissioner Sheets made a motion to accept them. Motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Price abstained.

Miller Environmental gave their monthly report on Public Works.

Mr. Henry Burden gave the Town Administrator's Report. Two of the tot swings are in and installed. More will be added to the playground. Mulch was applied to the playground at Fairgreen Park. The vendor had to order more as we will took all they had. The dirt in front of Bud Knapp's house has been put back and we will be adding black-eyed susans and other flowers as part of the town's beautification project. We had to replace poles that were removed by vandals. This should eliminate some of the ATV's, etc. from riding in the Tasker and Colonial area. New hire applications have been duplicated for review. We have close to 50 applicants. Mrs. Phillips asked what the salary would be for the new hire.

A time was given for public comment. No comment was given.

Colonial Charlestown – Dr Gell explained about the Cecil County Driving Art Tour and shared with Colonial Charlestown members the idea of using the Tory House for displaying art for the tour. The Commissioners voted to give Colonial Charlestown a \$3,500 donation. Motion was made by Commissioner Sheets. Motion passed 5-0.

Comcast Service Charge change – Comcast is raising their prices, but are not offering any more services. A letter will be drafted to Comcast that the town is unhappy with the lack of HDTV.

Cam-Ron Subdivision – variance of 24 foot road. This is a four lot subdivision on Louisa Lane off of Cecil Street. They are proposing a 65'x 25' turn around for emergency vehicles. Commissioner Vandervort made a motion to approve the turnaround that is 24' wide conditionally with the T-turnaround approved by the Fire Department. Motion passed 5-0.

Riverfest Sponsorship – Commissioner Vandervort made a motion to sponsor Riverfest with a \$7,500. donation. Motion passed 3-0 with Commissioners Sheets and Durange abstaining.

Audit Vendor Selection – The two vendors responded to our request for Peer Review Letters. Both responded very similarly. Commissioner Sheets motioned to accept the bid by William Sadler. Motion passed 5-0.

Boys & Girls Club Lease Renewal – The choice is to have a month-to-month lease or a yearly lease. Commissioner Vandervort will contact the Boys and Girls Club.

AT&T Lease – additional antennas. Mr. Burden wanted URS to evaluate the drawings from AT&T which were not engineer-drawn.

Commissioners' Information to Lt. Gov. Brown – Lt. Gov. Brown asked for Commissioner contact information for times that he will be visiting in the area.

Bud Knapp – Water abatement. Dave Hollenbaugh at the County will be contacted to see if an abatement can be approved.

Town Hall Painting Specifications – Specifications have been designated for painting the town hall. Bids will be put out for a vendor to paint. Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort to approve the specifications. Motion passed 5-0.

Benches at Footlog Bridge – We have two benches left that were bought a couple of years ago. Mr. Burden suggested putting them under a tree by the Footlog Bridge. Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort to use the benches at the bridge.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Barbara R. Kelly
Town Clerk