

CHARLESTOWN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
MINUTES
February 13, 2007

Meeting was called to order by President Gell at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners Durange, Price, Vandervort, and Gell.

The Accounts Payable Report was read and a motion was made to approve with corrections by Commissioner Vandervort. Motion passed 4-0.

The Minutes were read by the Commissioners. Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort moved to accept the minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

Miller Environmental gave their monthly report which is on file.

A report from the Sheriff's Office was not given tonight.

Mr. Burden gave the Town Administrator's report. The 2004 audit is just about complete. The town maintenance crew had to stop work down at Chesapeake Road due to the weather. They are also busy cleaning up the oldest colonial cemetery to make it presentable. The goal is to have all the town's cemeteries cleaned up. The wave screen is complete, as-builts have been sent up and we are awaiting compensation from DNR. The boat pier is on the dredging list so that the boat pier and boat ramp will be done at the same time. Money has been applied for erosion project up at Eagle Point and are looking for word back. Money is currently set aside for maintenance on the town pier, but Mr. Burden would like to ask if it could be directed toward engineering for estimates for the possibility of 10 to 20 more slips. Also, Ken Ropp from DNR suggested the possibility of a ramp at Lot B. The maps are now cleaned up in the office. The sewer study is also complete.

Public Comment:

Ursula Boudart asked if DNR had any comments about the plantings at the area of erosion. Mr. Burden stated that Mr. Ropp from DNR is from a different department of DNR and would not have anything to do with the shore erosion project.

George Stanko asked to speak about the break-in at the fire hall. They have two paramedics now and because of the items needed by the paramedics, they are more likely to be broken in. The fire hall would like more patrolling by the Sheriff's Department at odd hours around the fire hall.

Payne Annexation: Bob Smiley from Genterra proposed taking the 29 acre property from the developed residential zoning and put it in the town's R2 zoning building 23 single family homes at 10,000 square feet with over 11 acres open space with a natural

area containing woods and a stream and buffers. The transportation department has been out and has no problem with the western access. The eastern access will have to be an internal one. Water and sewer will be at the expense of the developer. Motion was made by Commissioner Price to introduce Annexation Resolution number 2007-01. Motion passed 4-0. A hearing will be held March 27, 2007, and a vote by the Commissioners whether to annex the property.

Prosper Boudart spoke regarding the need for a 3-way stop sign or some way to control the speed on Frederick Street. The matter will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

Commissioner Vandervort made a motion to keep boat slip fees at \$300.00 for the 2007 boating season. Motion passed 4-0.

Public Safety Committee – President Gell asked Commissioners Durange and Price to form a Public Safety Committee to look at the issues discussed tonight and see if there are areas needing change.

There are three presentations the County would like us to see. One is by the Sheriff's Office that is a Power Point presentation. The landfill would like to make a presentation on recycling and John Bunnell would like to make a presentation on an Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance. Mr. Burden will schedule these presentations.

Commissioner Price made a motion to go into Executive Session. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Barbara R. Kelly
Town Clerk