

TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MINUTES
February 24, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Gell at 7:35 pm. Also present were Mary Carol Durange, Joseph Letts and Donna Sheets. The Pledge of Allegiance was once again led by Ryleigh Johnson.

The accounts payable report was reviewed with Commissioner Letts motioning to approved and all agreed.

Minutes from the previous meeting (January 27th) were reviewed with Commissioner Durange forwarding the motion to accept them as written. This was approved 3-0 with 1 abstention.

Cpl. Adam Streight was in attendance to present the patrol report for January 2010.

Judith Calvert appeared to discuss her recent deed modification and the issue of requiring payment of water and sewer costs for two quarters in advance for these transactions. She requested relief from this requirement and the Board agreed. Further, it was agreed that the two quarter in advance requirement be dropped for deed modifications provided the account is up-to-date.

Edgar McMullen was present to once again discuss the issue of annual dues and perpetual care fees for the cemetery. His research revealed that the old part of the cemetery has 208 lots. Ninety-nine of these have paid for perpetual care and the remaining 109 have paid nothing. Mr. McMullen asked that two lots owned by Judy Mead for which she has paid dues annually for many years now be considered as paid-up perpetual care. Commissioner Letts made motion to stop the annual dues on the two lots mentioned and switch them to paid-up perpetual care. This was unanimously approved.

Joseph DiNunzio was present to further discuss Artesian Water's and Charlestown's emergency water interconnection. It was revealed that the work would be scheduled at the convenience of the Town. After viewing the documents and a short discussion, it was agreed to proceed with the preparation of a contract for signatures.

Ursula Boudart expressed her concern about the exposed sewer main on the beach at the foot of Baltimore Street. The recent I&I manhole repair work in the area brought this to her attention.

Edgar McMullen received clarification about the Artesian emergency water interconnect. He also commented on his dissatisfaction with the County's plan to send substantially more effluent to the Seneca Point processing facility. Even though he was told Seneca Point is slated to double its processing capabilities, Mr. McMullen feels the location is wrong because the North East River does not have enough flow to handle the outflow and stay healthy.

Town Administrator's Report

Old Business

- Mr. Pumpaly discussed the recent snow events. He is hopeful that there will be reimbursements from the County for the Town's expenses.
- The capital wish list is topped by the need for a new, heavier truck. A 4WD, stake-body, dump with a rear lift gate. He is getting prices which will include a plow.
- The need for a snow blower in order to clear the Town's sidewalks was also noted. Commissioner Sheets suggested that the Town also clear snow for residents who are infirm or elderly.
- Wib also mentioned the need for a pole storage building at the maintenance area.
- The Volunteer recognition evening was discussed and it was mentioned that the Elementary School would be available. When a date is scheduled the staff will follow through with the invitations and plans.
- Commissioner Sheets motioned that a certificate be devised for the Town's infirm and elderly which would cause the Town to remove snow from their drives. This was unanimously approved.
- Boys & Girls Club building inspection for the change-of-use of the building. He will get additional quotations.

New Business

- Utility Service Company's proposal for maintaining the water tower was again brought to the Board's attention.
- Closing roads in Cool Springs at Clemency and Grace so that construction trucks would not use the Trinity Woods roads. Charlestown fire company is concerned about access and some Trinity Woods residents would like the roads opened. Clemency Road will be opened.
- The Stormwater management pond in Trinity Woods must be repaired by the Town maintenance staff in lieu of the homeowners association doing the work.

President Gell gave his report on bills to be decided in this legislative session.

Commissioner Letts motioned to adjourn the meeting and all approved with the meeting adjourning at 8:45. Commissioner Sheets motioned to go into an Executive Session all approved.