## TOWN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

**November 14, 2006** 

**Minutes** 

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Commissioners Gell, Williams and Vandervort in attendance. Town Administrator Henry Burden was also in attendance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gell to approve the minutes. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Williams asked if we could approach the agenda by having an Old Business followed by New Business and then the Good of the Town.

Motion made by Commissioner Williams to approve Accounts Payable. Motion passed 3-0.

Robert Corn from Miller Environment gave their monthly report.

Town Administrator's report was given by Mr. Burden. The audit is proceeding and progress is being made. The Chesapeake Road project is still being worked on. The sidewalks were measured and we are asking for 3,000 feet of sidewalk from the state (from the bottom of Bladen Street to the bridge).

MML Fall Conference notes were provided by Dr. Gell.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve and sign the Homestead Tax Cap Resolution. The percentage will be at 108%. Motion was approved 3-0.

Tim Hagan- Catfish Tournament, 2007 – Commissioner Williams moved to decline having the tournament. Discussion was made that the ramp would be tied up for the entire day which would cause others to be upset. Motion was withdrawn with the idea of tabling the issue until more information is gained from Mr. Hagan.

Supplemental Budget for Truck Repairs- Right now the one truck needs tires and the entire braking system, the fuel pumps, etc. were shot and will need about \$5,000 to bring it up to a safe driving snow plow. \$7,500 should keep up the maintenance for the year. Commissioner Vandervort made a motion to make a transfer of \$4,000 from 6400.3 - Other and \$3,500 from Equipment Purchase 6021.3.

Post Office Lease – Mr. Burden may work to negotiate a year-toyear lease with the US Postal Service.

The Department of Aging would like to meet with us and discuss transportation needs in our town. Commissioner Williams agreed to meet with the Department of Aging along with Mr. Burden to discuss the town's needs.

Gary Bott – Fire Access Water Street Wharf – Blocked access for emergency vehicles on Frederick Street and C-Dock. There are jersey barriers placed and created a new entrance for D Dock. There is a vehicle parked in front on Water Street. This creates a situation where emergency vehicles cannot get through. We would like the vehicle moved in the front and widen the entrance to make sure that safety is not compromised. Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort that there is a no parking zone in front of the house from the corner of Frederick and Water to the next driveway. Motion carried 3-0.

The fire suppression system put on C-Dock is useless because the leasor has never put the handles on the system and it cannot be turned on. A letter will be sent to the lessor that the handles must be put on and he can borrow the wrench to lock it down. Also a flow test was scheduled to be done and the handles were not on. Regarding wells and pumping station to the industrial park and Charlestown Station. The Charlestown Fire Company would like to be in on the discussion. They would like to get some fire hydrants in the system. They talked about having discussion with Mike Vaughan about interconnectivity with the town's system.

MYCO Fence – This is to replace the fence for Valerie Hahn which had to be removed in order to put in the foot log bridge. One estimate was repairing the fence and replacing the gate. The other estimate was to replace the entire fence. To repair and move the gate was \$1160. To replace the fence would \$1743. The town will only have to pay half the cost. Motion was made by Commissioner Vandervort to replace the fence. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion was made to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. by Commissioner Williams. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara R. Kelly

Town Clerk