

TOWN OF MILLINGTON
Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2017

Present: Council Kevin Hemstock
Council Michelle Holland
Council Jason E. Manning
Council Wayne Starkey

Attendees: Sheriff Price, Kent County Sheriff's Department; Don Reed, MES; Peter Bourne, KCI; Bunky Luffman, Governor's Office; Andy Meehan and Shane Nelson, Cambio Wi-Fi

Minutes of previous meetings: The minutes of the July 11, 2017 meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Starkey, a second by Hemstock; a vote of 4-0 was entered.

Kent County Sheriff's Report: Sheriff Price reviewed the report for July 2017. There were 51 speed assignments resulting in 31 warnings and 8 citations. The Sheriff's Department responded to 8 non-criminal complaints and 1 criminal complaint resulting in a cleared arrest for CDS. Hemstock would still like the Sheriff's Department to keep an eye out for cars running the stop sign at Hurtt Avenue and School Street especially when school starts back up again. Marshall mentioned that the Facebook post about the stop signs was shared numerous times so the word got out.

Maryland Environmental Services Report: Don Reed reported that there were no violations at the water treatment plant or the wastewater treatment plant. 0 tons of sludge was hauled from the facility. Various locates were completed throughout the month. They changed the oil on the blower units. Iron level is still at 0.2 which is below the standard.

Financial Report: The financial report was reviewed.

Town Administrator Report: The Town Administrator's Report was reviewed. Starkey stated that he attended the Dollar General pre-construction meeting and the meeting went smoothly. They have talked to the fire house about doing a controlled burn to demolish. They also stated that there are some power lines that are going to be removed.

Code Enforcement Report: The code enforcement report was reviewed.

Engineer Report: Peter Bourne reported that the wastewater and the water PER is 75% completed and hopes to have it completed next month. Senior Housing meeting went very well and progress is moving forward.

Old Business:

- Cambio Wi-Fi: Andy Meehan discussed the letter sent to the Town Manager. Manning asked about the hatch not being able to close. Meehan and Nelson stated that there were existing wires in place to cause the hatch to not close properly. A motion to recommend to the Mayor to sign the agreement as long as all information is on hand, all issues have been addressed, and the Town receives the money for the inspection invoice that was sent to Cambio, Wi-Fi was made by Hemstock, a second was made by Starkey; a vote of 4-0 was entered.

New Business:

- Bunky Luffman the Governor's Liaison for the Eastern Shore introduced himself and discussed his job. Bourne further discussed sending wastewater to Sudlersville and the benefits and how the

State has funding through the “flush” tax. Hemstock asked if the State and Federal Funding process would cause the project to run over numerous years. Bourne expressed that there is a lot of paper work and approvals involved so the process could take 4-5 years. Hemstock discussed Charter Schools and asked when the state is going to relinquish some of the requirements on Charter Schools. Luffman stated that the Governor put in a bill about Charter Schools but the Legislators held it up.

- Planning Commission Member: There is a vacant seat on the Planning Commission after Kathy Hemstock resigned last month. Hemstock stated that Rocky from Talegate Market was interested. Starkey stated that Patti Cartagena-Santiago was interested as well. It was determined that both individuals should come to the next meeting to express their interest and to also announce the opening on the Facebook page to see if anyone else is interested as well.
- 2018 Millington Bi-Centennial: Mayor Morales asked Marshall to place the Bi-Centennial on the agenda to see if the Council would like to form a committee for the Bi-Centennial event. It was suggested to announce that the Mayor and Council is looking for people interested in being on the Bi-Centennial committee on Facebook to see if there is anyone interested.
- Charter – Section 4: Hemstock stated that in section 4-1 there is a “B.20.” in front of franchises that should be removed and we should add internet and cable tv providers to Franchises. Under “Hawkers” pawnbrokers should be removed or placed somewhere else. Under Nuisances “renderies” should be removed. The part on Police Powers needs to refer to the Town’s Codes and that police powers should enforce the Town’s Codes. Hemstock also stated that the part on Sidewalks was strange when it mentioned the prescribed hours for cleaning sidewalks. There were no other comments.

Council Member Comments:

- Hemstock stated that he feels that there needs to be a public comment section on the agenda for the Mayor and Council and the Planning Commission Meetings so that Town residents have a chance to speak during meetings.
- Holland requested that we get an update on the school building. Right now the School Board still has ownership of the building. The Town will need to keep an eye on the building for maintenance issues.
- Starkey stated that he attended a meeting at Charlestown in June and noticed that they recorded their meetings and he likes the idea as it provides a backup in case there are any discrepancies.
- Hemstock would like to know if the Open Meetings Act requirement applies to the Planning Commission and the Board of Appeals and he thinks that two people on the council should be certified just in case one person is not able to be at the meeting. Luffman stated that the Town should contact Jim Peck with MML to get more information about the requirement.

Correspondence: All correspondence was reviewed.

Upcoming Events: Upcoming meetings were reviewed.

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Hemstock, a second by Starkey; a vote of 4-0 was entered.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Marshall
Town Clerk-Treasurer