

**Town of Slaughter Beach**  
**Public Notice**  
**Regular Town Meeting**  
**October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 7PM**

Message from Bill Krause, Mayor >> Hi, This agenda continues the revised format to help accomplish several objectives:

- ✓ Present the Agenda so that Key topics for the month are highlighted; such as
- ✓ Minimize any repetitive topics or topics that have no updates;
- ✓ Make the meetings shorter and more interesting; last month was 1Hr, 35 Min.
- ✓ Comply with all FOIA requirements for agendas.

In addition, public committee meetings will be scheduled in the hour from 6 PM to 7PM. These will have separately published agendas by the committee chairpersons. Check the website, your emails, or the Town bulletin board for these announcements. NO Committee meetings have been scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup>.

The regular town meeting of the Slaughter Beach Town Council will be held on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor meeting room of the Slaughter Beach Memorial Volunteer Fire Company. All Slaughter Beach residents are invited to attend; the public is also welcome. (Please be advised that this agenda is subject to amendments including additional or deleted items, including Executive Sessions but only additional items of an emergency nature (29 Del. C @ 10004 (e)(1) or with notice at least 6 hours in advance of the meeting and only for items that may not be reasonably deferred to a later meeting). Agenda items may be considered out of sequence.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 1) **Call meeting to order**
- 2) **Constitutional Moment**
- 3) **Welcoming & Announcements**
- 4) **Introduction of Council & Officers**
- 5) **Approval of the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting agenda**
- 6) **Approval of the September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Town meeting minutes**
- 7) **Reading of Correspondence**
- 8) **Reports:**
  - a) Treasurer
    1. September 1 – 30, 2014 Treasurer's Report. (Please refer to your handout copy). Discussion and vote to approve.
    2. Finance Committee - First Quarter of FY2015 Budget Update
  - b) Building Inspector/ Floodplain Manager
  - c) Tax Collector Report



- d) Town Street Committee report.
  - ✓ Update on collaring of town streets;
  - ✓ Report on a new streetlight on Marina or Passwater Drive
  - ✓ Discussion and possible vote for a second streetlight on Marina/Passwater drive.
  - ✓ Discussion and possible vote to add a streetlight at Beach Plum cul-de-sac.
  - ✓ Other needed items, repairs, or updates
- e) Election Revision Committee Report
  - ✓ ACLU Requests for information
- f) Mayoral & Council updates:
  - ✓ Loitering in the Park parking lot – Update on meeting with the FD. Discussion and possible vote to add additional lighting.
  - ✓ Continued discussion and possible vote on deterring crime - on Cameras, Town Watch (Ref – Safety Grant, below)
  - ✓ Town Park Lease Update and Discussion:
    - Mayors meeting with Fire Co President & principles;
    - The Memorial Fire Company has revoked the 2014 lease made by the previous Mayor and the Fire Company. This lease had not been approved by the SB Town Council;
    - The Town has located the original Park Lease from 1984 in our safety deposit box; 2 year renewing terms;
    - Mayor furnished a copy to the FD, and requested they consider a short lease amendment for a 30 year term to match the Park Tennis Court/Basketball repaving grant requirement.
    - Possible Vote on a lease amendment.
  - ✓ Report on meeting with DNREC (September 9<sup>th</sup>)
  - ✓ Report on Coastal Cleanup (Sept 20<sup>th</sup>) and Coast Day (Oct 4<sup>th</sup>)

## 9) Old Business

- a) Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge – update on progress;
- b) Continued discussion and possible vote to raise the limits on the Town insurance policy to ensure adequate coverage.
- c) Municipal Street Aid – Status of audit of FY2014 for fund, as required.
- d) Grants
  - ✓ Wastewater Management Feasibility Study Grant - Update
  - ✓ Sea Level Rise Grant to raise 2 homes in Town, Tucker (313 Bay Ave) & Hendricks (494 Bay Ave); with other Slaughter Beach homes on list being alternates.
  - ✓ Discussion and Vote to establish an escrow account for the SLG

- ✓ Town Park Grant Update on progress finalizing paperwork for the grant funds. Status of warranty claim.
- ✓ Sussex County Shared Grant update – 2014 Grant for safety. Status of this years grant, extension of Patrols into fall/winter season. Report by Vice Mayor.
- e) Job descriptions – Update on Town Clerk & Building Inspector & Floodplain Manager position's (Trish Saunders and Amy Parker) and employee handbook. Note – the plan is a Council member, a resident, and an employee to write up each job description.
- f) Update on setting up common email addresses, business cards, etc., for Council Members and possibly others;
- g) Continuing discussion and possible vote on future Impact Fees for new building off of Marina/Passwater Drive; Recommendations from Attorney

#### **10)New Business:**

#### **11)Other Reoccurring Topics – Discussion Only if an update for this meeting:**

- a) Town budget topics - Update by finance committee;
- b) SCAT- report - Steering committee meeting;
- c) Code Enforcement;
- d) Alliance of Bay Communities - brief report of recent meeting(s);
- e) The Bayshore Initiative (BSI) – Brief update/report
- f) CAV report progress
- g) Slaughter Beach Zoning Ordinance (SBZO) – Waiting for final draft & then schedule the final public hearing.
- h) Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP)
- i) Floodplain Ordinance (FPO) – workshops still not scheduled by DNREC with the Town & Sussex County (SC). SB will use a model ordinance provided by DNREC as a starting point to update our FPO as required by law. Building height & freeboard are key issues. Discussion of recent article re: Sussex Council addressing this same issue; & our BI/FPM recommendations.
- j) Town Office - status of filing files
- k) Municipal Street Aid - FY2015 Road Plans require supplement from RTT, as budgeted. Status of audit report completed by Treasurer for FY21014 funds.
- l) Continuing - Reports of BI/FPM, Tax Collector, & Town Clerk – Actions/Results of new procedure so that each attend at least one meeting quarterly & provide written reports monthly emailed to all Council Members prior to Town meeting so council has time to review.

#### **12)Priorities for SB year 333 >> Updates as they occur**

- a) NFIP all goals that must be accomplished to improve SB rating;

- b) Pursue beach replenishment; breach restoration; address flood & drainage issues through DNREC program;
- c) Contact owners of the few properties that need cleaning up;
- d) Discussion on future actions to mitigate the negative effects of commercial fishing on SB. – Referred to Bill McSpadden for action.
- e) Town beautification.

### **13)Public Comment**

### **14)Upcoming Events** (Consult the website)

- ✓ Free Flu Shots At the FD – Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 6 to 8 PM. Bring ID
- ✓ Town Committees, 6 PM and Town Council – Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM.
- ✓ Upcoming Community Outreach Meeting on Delaware Revised Septic Regulations (effective Jan. 11, 2014) by Jim Cassidy of DNREC- Environmental Program Manager/ Groundwater Discharge Section. Planned for November, an announcement will be sent out, and, Check the Town web site.

### **15)Adjournment**

Prepared by Bill Krause, Mayor

Posted on Town bulletin board  
October 6th, 2014 @ noon