

## Minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting Monday, May 13th, 2019

### 1. Call Meeting to Order

*The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM in the upstairs meeting room of the Slaughter Beach Memorial Volunteer Fire Company by Mayor Ward. Council members present were Ken Lewis, Kathy Lock and Bob Wood. Member absent was Becky Craft. Community members in attendance are shown on the attached sign-in sheet.*

### 2. Welcoming & Announcements

*Mayor Ward welcomed those in attendance and thanked everyone for their support.*

### 3. Approval of the May 13th, 2019 meeting agenda

**Motion:** *A motion was made by Kathy Lock to approve the May 13th, 2019 meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Ken Lewis. The **motion carried unanimously, 4-0.***

### 4. Approval of the April 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 Minutes Reading of Correspondence

**Motion:** *A motion was made by Kathy Lock to approve the April 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Ken Lewis. The **motion carried unanimously, 4-0.***

### 5. Correspondence

**A** The town newsletter was sent to the property owners

**B** Delaware State housing request for housing code survey. We responded.

**C** flyer for Dupont nature center Peace, Love and Horseshoe Crabs

**D** there was a complaint letter between two neighbors. At this point, they are trying to work the situation out.

**E** Comprehensive Land use is requesting an update

**F** State Budget office requested someone to advise on their office furniture contracting process. Mayor Ward with his many years of experience in this field has offered to help.

**7 Reports:**

A. Treasurer

A Treasurers report was presented by Treasurer Lock and all seemed to be in order. Copies were distributed to all at the meeting.

**Motion:** *A motion was made by Ken Lewis to accept the report subjected to audit the motion was seconded by Bob Wood. The **motion carried unanimously, 4-0.***

B. Building Enforcement Officer/ Floodplain Administrator.

*Bob had several visits and totaled 8.5 hours this month*

C Tax Collectors Report

*. There is no change from last month.*

D. Town Street Committee report

*Look at the 25mph near the fire house will be examined to see if can be repaired or replaced*

E. Mayoral and Council Update

1- SCAT – Lt. Governor was the speaker. Topics were Health and Drugs, accommodations Tax, Single use plastic bags and Litter.

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RASCL – There will be a meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup> regarding working with USACE

## **8 Old Business**

### **a Sand on the beach**

N/A

### **b Boardwalk Project.**

We are waiting for several items to be completed Bike repair Station, Scopes, Khosi and signage.

### **c Hydrology Study**

The Hydrology of the marsh has begun.

### **d Town ordinance review**

This study is in progress. We will try to review by August

### **e 5K wrap up**

5k was very successful and a fun day for all that attended. After expenses, we were able to donate \$16,501.00 to the fire department. Although there were many people involved a special thanks must be extended to the Lock family for all of the tireless effort and guidance they willingly supplied.

## **9 New Business**

### **a. Yard Waste Grant.**

We have received a grant from Rep Brian Shope for trash removal. It was decided that we should use the funds to help offset the cost in a onetime use of a dumpster used to gather yard waste. The dumpster will be placed on one of the access roads for 3 or 4 days starting on May 17<sup>th</sup>. It should be used for yard waste only

**b Election**

We seem to be up to date with the election at this point. May 31<sup>st</sup> at 5PM is the deadline for anyone wishing to file as a candidate. The poll hours for this election will be from 9AM to 1 PM

**Motion:** Kathy Lock proposed a motion that we change the poll hours as stated above and Ken Lewis Seconded the motion. Approved 4-0

**c. Discussion and vote on employing Tony Pratt**

Tony will provide guidance as a consultation on matters like Sand from dredging projects, dredging the harbor and jetty, Jetty repair etc.

The motion for this contract of \$2,000.00 per month for 6 months on a retainer basis was proposed by Ken Lewis and seconded by Kathy Lock. Vote was 4-0.

10 Open Discussion

If any property owner would like to view the security camera footage from the town security cameras, please see any town council member to arrange.

A dolphin was found this morning on the beach in the 400 block of Bay Ave. The proper authorities were notified.

**.9 Upcoming Events**

- A. Next Town Council Meeting June 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 @ 7:00 PM.
- B. Annual town meeting June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 10:00 AM
- C. Yard waste drop off at Delaware Ave North May 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>
- D. Annual Town Yard sale on Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> throughout the town
- E. Large item Trash Pick Up June 1<sup>st</sup>

**13 Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Ken Lewis @ 7:53 PM and seconded by Kathy Lock      Vote was 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Wood  
Council Person