



March 2015 Town Report

SCAT:

Attended the March SCAT meeting hosted by the Town of Blades. Melody Booker-Wilkins, the Sussex County Director of Economic Development, was the guest speaker.

Economic Outlook:

There were four (4) building permits issued for new construction during the month of March. The Town also received a check from the Recorder of Deeds in the amount of \$27,816.25 for property transfer taxes.

FY16 Budget Amendment:

Departments were instructed to ^{begin} ~~being~~ preparations for the FY16 Budget. An initial workshop for the Commissioners will be scheduled in late April. The budget must be approved before the first Tuesday in June, per the Town Charter.

New Police Department:

The survey was completed by DBF. A meeting has been scheduled in early April to review the building layout and size. Then the placement of the building on the property will be reviewed.

2015 Town Property Assessments:

Tax appeal day was held on March 28th. No one showed up to discuss or dispute their Town assessment for the 2015 property tax levy.

Source Water Protection Ordinance:

A proposal was received from Cedar Creek Planners to update the Town's Code to reflect the State regulations as they pertain to source water protection. Funds were allocated in the current budget to have this done. The ordinance becomes a mandatory action to take once a community reaches a certain population (2000).

10 Cook Street:

The Town received a judgement from the Court to demolish the dangerous building located at 10 Church Street. The County has indicated they have the funds to demolish the building for us. We are working with them to secure a contractor for the job.

105 S Main:

Bid-opening for this demolition project occurred on March 16th. East Coast Structural Movers, Inc. was the successful bidder with a bid amount of \$20,150. The bid tabulation sheet for the project is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jesse Savage
Town Manager