



MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
September 10 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
BRIDGEVILLE TOWN HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Sharon McDowell called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present: Commissioners Tom Carey, Lawrence Tassone, Tim Banks, Bruce Smith, Town Manager Jesse Savage, and Solicitor Dennis Schrader. The meeting began with the Flag Salute and Prayer.

II. QUORUM PRESENT

President McDowell reported a quorum was present to discuss Bridgeville Town business.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Town Manager Savage stated that the Library would like the Commission to approve the annual Hometown Carnival Night and that will be added to the agenda under New Business.

Motion to approve the Agenda as modified – Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Minutes from the July 30th Commission Workshop- Carey; 2nd – Banks; motion carried.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Town Manager Savage stated that an invitation to the October 25th recognition dinner from the Western Chamber and Commerce was received.

Town Manager Savage stated that a letter from Comcast was received regarding channels that will be changing.

VI. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS PAYABLE

Balance Sheet – August 31, 2018

General Fund – \$1,489,500 (increase of \$324,885 from last month)

All Accounts – \$3,114,543 (increase of \$270,646)

Accounts Receivable – \$745,523

Budget Report Target – 16% (2 months into budget year)

Income – \$1,243,943 (Income at 44% of the budget)

Expenses – \$512,200 (Expenses 18% of the budget)

Net Income – \$731,743

Accounts Payable

Bills – \$ 58,979 Expected Expenses – \$121,000 Total estimated amount for approval – \$179,979

Motion to pay the bills as presented – Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried.

VII. TOWN REPORTS

The Commission discussed the reports from the multiple departments.

Commissioner Carey asked about the source of the assaults in August. Chief Parker stated that there were a number of small incidents.

Commissioner Tassone stated that he has seen that the site work has begun on the new Police Department.

VIII. CITIZEN'S PRIVILEGE

Teresa Palmer-40 Church- Ms. Palmer discussed Notice of Violations she received from the Code Enforcement Officer regarding people parking in Polly Mervin's Lot. She feels that he should tag the vehicles and not send her notices. She also stated that her neighbor has complaints regarding the Code Enforcement Officer just riding around town. Commissioner Banks thanked Ms. Palmer with coming forward with this issue and that it is the policy to cite the property owner. Commissioner Banks stated that his suggestion is for Ms. Palmer to talk to Town Manager Savage.

Holly Smack-604 N. Cannon St- Ms. Smack stated that she would like to have more information on the parking on the grass policy. Town Manager Savage stated that the policy is that you have to park on erosion resistant material. Commissioner Banks stated that if anyone needs stone, the Town may be able to help.

Lorraine Smith-44 Church- Ms. Smith stated that she received a Notice of Violation regarding a tent that they had to have down in 3 days. Town Manager Savage stated that is the code and that the Commission may look into that because of a lot of complaints.

Mr. Teagle-514 N. Cannon Street- Mr. Teagle said he believes that these are stupid laws that they are enforcing on the black people on the North side. Mr. Teagle stated with the parking, they pay taxes just like everyone else. Mr. Teagle stated that the pipes on the North side of Town are different than the rest of the town. Commissioner Banks stated that since he has been on the Commission, if he thinks that Jerry gets on them, and has written him up because of a trailer on the grass. Commissioner Banks stated that the issue between black and white is gone. Commissioner Banks stated that they can't blame this Commission for stuff that has been put in place from past Commissioners. Commissioner Banks stated that it is not North Bridgeville, Heritage Shores and South Bridgeville, it is just Bridgeville

Pat Correll-421 S. Main- Ms. Pat spoke regarding Mr. Teagle's comment on the pipes, stating that the pipes in the ground are different because they have been put in at different times.

Kalissa Horn-113 N. Street- Ms. Horn asked how much time is there after the grass is cut to be swept out of the road. Town Manager Savage stated that the Code just states that you cannot blow grass clippings in the road. Commissioner Banks stated that with the proper representation, they will have the Code enforced and police presence.

Mr. Smith-About to move into 108 N. Cannon- Mr. Smith stated that he had an issue with dogs before when he lived in town. He stated that he was there for information.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Comprehensive Plan-2018 Update

A. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN UPDATED COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF BRIDGEVILLE.

1. Review of Final Draft (Lee Ann Walling)

Town Manager Savage stated that the Ordinance was introduced at August's Meeting. Lee Ann Walling stated that nothing has really changed since August except DNREC asked that the well heads be removed from the maps. Ms. Walling stated that the final draft is on bridgevilleplan.net and will be left up for 6 months after it is completed.

2. Public Hearing

A Public Hearing was opened by Solicitor Schrader to register agreement or opposition to the Ordinance. Pat Correll wanted to thank Lee Ann Walling for all of her hard work on the Comprehensive Plan. Solicitor Schrader closed the Public hearing.

3. Discussion, consideration and possible voting

Motion to approve the Ordinance adopting an updated Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the Town of Bridgeville- Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried.

B. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 193 OF THE CODE OF BRIDGEVILLE RELATING TO SEX OFFENDERS.

1. Public Hearing:

A Public Hearing was opened by Solicitor Schrader to register agreement or opposition to the Ordinance. There being no persons who wished to speak in favor of or in opposition. Solicitor Schrader closed the Public hearing.

2. Discussion, consideration and possible voting

Motion to approve the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 193 of the Code of Bridgeville Relating to Sex Offenders- Smith; 2nd – Banks; motion carried.

C. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 128 OF THE CODE OF BRIDGEVILLE RELATING TO FEES TO INCREASE THE PROPERTY TAX RATE

1. Public Hearing:

A Public Hearing was opened by Solicitor Schrader to register agreement or opposition to the Ordinance. Pat Correll stated that the tax increase needed to happen and that it should have happened a few years ago.

2. Discussion (No Action Taken)

Town Manager stated that he has secured the Library for October's meeting with a public hearing.

Motion to defer the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 128 of the Code of Bridgeville relating to fees to increase the property tax rate to a later date to be determined- Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried.

D. HOMETOWN CARNIVAL

1. Discussion, consideration and possible voting

Town Manager Savage stated that the library will be doing the Hometown Carnival on Thursday October 11th from 4-9 pm. Mr. Savage stated that it is a pay one price bracelet to ride for locals.

Motion to approve the Hometown Carnival- Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried.

XI. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None.

XII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Town Manager Savage discussed with the Commission that he is working with Verizon Wireless for a cell tower at the ball field.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION- PERSONNEL

Motion to move into Executive Session – Smith; 2nd – Banks; motion carried. The meeting went into Executive Session at 7:55 P.M.

Motion to come out of Executive Session – Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried. Executive Session closed at 8:07 P.M.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT-

Motion to adjourn – Tassone; 2nd – Smith; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10: P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Smith, Commission Secretary

Ashley Walls, Transcriptionist