

REGULAR MEETING  
COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE  
JANUARY 8, 1968

Mrs. Hattie Sylvia, Magistrate, swore into office the three new commissioners at 8:00 P.M. These were Mr. John Simons, Mr. Earl Willey and Mr. Paul Lynch.

Mr. John Simons was appointed Temporary Chairman by the commissioners for this annual organization meeting. Mr. G. F. Hardesty, Jr. was appointed as Temporary Secretary of this session.

Acting Chairman John Simons called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M.. A secret ballot for President and Secretary of the Bridgeville Town Commissioners was then held. Elected for President was Mr. John Simons and elected for Secretary was Mr. G. F. Hardesty, Jr.

President John Simons then made the following appointments.

Street Commissioner.....Mr. Earl Willey  
Police Commissioner.....Mr. T. J. Gray, Jr.  
Sewer Commissioner.....Mr. Paul Lynch  
Water Commissioner.....Mr. John Simons  
Treasurer.....Mrs. Mildred Brown  
Solicitor.....Mr. Dean Betts  
Alderman.....Mr. George Torbert II

Employees for the Police force were rehired at the same rate of pay were Officer Lewis Frampton, Officer Virgil Kinder and Officer Frank Galente.

Employees for the Disposal Plant were rehired at the same rate of pay were Mr. Harry Hammond and Mr. Jesse Williams.

President John Simons then asked if the visitors in attendance wished to make any statements or remarks at this time. Those persons in attendance were from Bridgeville, Mr. Jay Kleinhenn, Mr. Robert O. Willey, Mr. Francis Lewis, Mr. George Dunham, Mr. Frank Galente and Mr. C. R. Taylor. Mr. Norris Workman was present as a representative of the Seaford Leader and Mr. Alan Poland was present as a representative of the News Journal Co. branch office in Georgetown, Del. The remarks and statements are as follows:

1. Asked by Mr. Jay Kleinhenn; "Now just how far is it to Georgetown, Del." After some discussion of approximately 5 minutes, it was decided it was  $1\frac{1}{4}$  miles from Bridgeville to the Circle in Georgetown.
2. Asked by Robert Willey: "Do police get paid for the Georgetown trips". The answer is no but T. J. Gray, Jr. stated that this policy has recently been changed.
3. Asked by George Dunham: "In the Army when a man is broke his pay is cut also. Why wasn't Frank Galente's pay cut." Answer was that Officer Galente received the same treatment as Officer Sharon received a few months ago.
4. Asked by Robert Willey: "Can Frank Galente work his was back up." Answer was that this depends on Officer Galente future performance.
5. Asked by Mr. Jay Kleinhenn: "Why are minutes closed to the public." Answer was that they are open to the public, meaning the taxpayers of Bridgeville and whoever comes to the meetings.

6. Asked by Mr. Alan Poland of the News Journal office in Georgetown, Del. "Why are minutes closed to the public, isn't the press part of the public?" Answer was the commissioners would have to ask the Town Solicitor, Mr. A. Dean Betts, for his legal interpretation of the term "Public" as indicated in the Corporate Act for the Town of Bridgeville.
7. Stated by Mr. C. R. Taylor: "I would like to state I'm proud to live in Bridgeville. I come down here and pay my taxes. The white man does the same. There is no difference in the treatment I get and I'm proud to live here."
8. Stated by Mr. Francis Lewis: "I think the board should be commended for the good job they are doing."
9. Stated by Mr. Robert O. Willey: "I think the board has done a good job also."

Since there were no further statements or remarks, President Simons continued the meeting of the commissioners with a review of the budget as of December 31, 1967.

The following bills were then approved to be paid.

General Account

G. E. Jones & Co., Inc.	406.99	Water & Sewer
Protection Service	196.42	Street
Torberts Electric Service	99.00	New Jail
Peninsula Plumbing	39.38	Town Office
Ralph Arment	140.00	Water
Melson Lumber Co.	45.87	Water 13.23-Jail 32.64
Delmarva Leader	66.35	Water 42.75 Adv. 23.60
Delmarva Power & Light Co.	56.26	Electricity
News Print Shop	26.40	Police Supplies
W. S. Darley & Co.	4.68	"
Ralph and Paul Adams	30.96	Misc.
Lo-Mar, Inc.	12.20	Office Supplies
Hopkins Bros.	27.70	Jail
Diamond State Telephone Co.	12.32	Telephone
Leroy Truitt	53.00	Zoning Officer
James 5 & 10	16.98	Office
H. C. Layton & Son	37.17	New Jail
Delmarva Power & Light Co.	264.09	Water
	<u>\$1535.77</u>	
Harry Banning	3.00	Police Car
	<u>1538.77</u>	Total

Construction Account

H . C. Layton & Son	63.95	Supplies
James Superette	2.63	"
Delmarva Power & Light Co.	262.16	Electricity
Diamond State Tel. Co.,	14.96	Telephone
Del Chemical Corp.	91.20	Supplies
Tidewater Oil Co.	2.23	
R.D. Grier & Sons Co.	42.85	Maintenance
Harry C. Banning	30.10	Truck
Chesapeake Utilities Corp.	407.71	Gas
Federal Paper	<u>152.10</u>	
Municipal Street Aid Fund		
Electricity	307.76	
		<u>Total \$1069.89</u>

Pochontas Inc.	16.50
Del-Marva Co., Inc.	<u>791.56</u>
	<u>\$1115.82</u>

Checks written for bills amounting to \$3724.48

Melson Lumber Co.	3946.29	Final on Office
Messick & Gray	1516.09	On new Jail
Scott's Furniture	852.00	New Office
Robert Latimoer Co.	<u>1583.38</u>	R. & P Adams
	<u>\$7897.38</u>	

Total all bills.....\$11,621.86

Town Alderman George Torbert presented \$400.00 to the commissioners for fines collected for the month of December 1967.

A letter was sent to the Baltimore Trust Company authorizing John K. Simons and Mildred S. Brown to sign checks. Authorization was also given to the Bank of Delaware by a resolution form completed as they requested with town seal, for checks to be signed with above mentioned signatures.

It was moved, seconded and approved to spend up to \$400.00 to buy drapes and rods for all windows for the new town office building. President Simons appointed a committee consisting to T. J. Gray, Jr., Chairman, Earl Willey and Mrs. Mildred Brown to take care of this matter. Also this committee is to look into the type of vacum cleaner to purchase for use in the new town office. Further discussion followed concerning the cleaning of the new town office building. It was decided to authorize Mrs. Mildred Brown to oversee this and to order the necessary cleaning supplies and materials and to maintain such. Mrs. Brown is to have the entire building kept clean as she determines it to be necessary.

The commissioners accepted payment of \$100.00 from the Bridgeville Building and Loan Association as an annual payment for the Association to meet in the new town office building.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

Respectively submitted,



G. F. Hardesty, Jr., Secretary