

Meeting No. 1..Monday, February 14, 1955, held in the office of W. H. Hewes.

New members, James E. Culver, Robert J. Bennett, and Daniel L. Short, sworn into office by Notary Public, Mrs. Pearl Thompson.

Meeting called to order at 8:05 P. M. by temporary chairman, Lawrence W. Rowe. The following officers were elected for a term of one year each: James E. Culver, President; Robert J. Bennett, Secretary; Daniel L. Short, Treasurer; Lawrence W. Rowe, Chief of Police; Earl C. Willey, Supervisor of Streets.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Discussion started on appropriate space for holding the meetings of the Town Commissioners. The present meeting place, that of W. H. Hewes, was mentioned and also the present town building, which is partly occupied by the town jail and water pumping system. Decision was delayed until regular meeting and in the meantime the Board will be called together to inspect the facilities of the present building owned by the town.

Discussion started on Town Treasurer. Motion made by Lawrence W. Rowe to strike the position of Treasurer from the minutes due to the fact that Treasurer's duties are handled by the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. Motion seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Applications for Town Treasurer and Tax Collector received from W. H. Hewes, L. C. Reynolds, R. C. Torkelson, Mildred Brown and Ralph M. Collison. Discussion held on the above job. Pros and cons talked over on the job of Town Manager whose duties would be to take care of streets, taxes, water meters, and to be generally in charge of the town under orders of the Town Commissioners. Motion made by L. W. Rowe that selection of Town Manager or Tax Collector and Town Clerk be held off until special meeting on Saturday, February 19, 1955. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Nominations were open for position of Town Alderman with W. P. Short being nominated by Earl C. Willey and O. T. Warrington by L. W. Rowe. O. T. Warrington selected by majority vote. Daniel L. Short not voting.

Discussion begun on Town Police. L. W. Rowe made motion that Town Commissioners retain present two Police officers at their present rate of pay for a term of one year each. Seconded by E. C. Willey. Motion carried. L. W. Rowe given authority by Board to ask Ralph Freidel to punch time clock when required and L. W. Rowe also authorized to oversee Town Police.

Meeting No. 1...Continued

L. W. Rowe made motion to retain D. J. Layton, Jr. as Town Attorney. Seconded by E. C. Willey. Motion carried.

Motion made by Daniel L. Short that Stanley Ledenham be asked to audit town books. Seconded by L. W. Rowe. Motion carried.

Earl C. Willey appointed Town Assessor by majority vote after nomination by L. W. Rowe and second by Daniel L. Short. The job is to be done at the same rate of pay as last year with the \$100 fee to cover three copies, the assessment, typing, and paper.

Motion made by L. W. Rowe that the town re-hire Joe Rogers for a one year term as Caretaker of the City Dump at the present salary of \$10 per month plus all salvage. Seconded by E. C. Willey. Motion carried.

The following bills were introduced for payment:

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| Ck. #5189 | Dunham's Service Station  | \$79.95 |
| 90        | Walter Orendorf           | 37.50   |
| 91        | Harry Banning             | 2.00    |
| 92        | Dover Army & Navy Store   | 23.75   |
| 93        | News Print Shop           | 6.50    |
| 94        | William Ralph Smith       | 17.00   |
| 95        | Hopkins Brothers          | 8.14    |
| 96        | Pleasanton & Edgell Corp. | 99.05   |
| 97        | S. J. Stein               | 27.95   |
|           | Total                     | 301.84  |

Motion by L. W. Rowe that all bills be paid. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Motion made by Earl Willey that town retain William Ralph Smith as Town Plumber. Seconded by L. W. Rowe. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by L. W. Rowe. Seconded by E. C. Willey. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary

Meeting No. 2..Saturday, February 19, 1955, held in the Town Building.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 by the President, James E. Culver.

Those attending were Robert J. Bennett, James E. Culver, Daniel L. Short, Lawrence W. Rowe, and Earl C. Willey.

Motion made by Earl C. Willey that the Town use the present building that the town owns which is now housing the city jail and pumping station, as the Town Office, effective March 1, 1955. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Motion made by Daniel L. Short that the Commissioners have the present building painted inside, new window shades installed in the three windows in the meeting room and office, purchase new oil stove and have the three windows in the meeting room painted on the outside. Motion also included the repairing of the room housing the jail and is to include the spray painting of the inside, the repairing and changing position of the present oil stove. Seconded by L. W. Rowe. Motion carried.

Earl C. Willey made motion that Ray Passwaters be contacted and asked to install electric gas pump with meter and tank in the rear of the Town Office. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

James E. Fairbanks was nominated by Daniel L. Short for the position of Town Manager. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. L. W. Rowe nominated Ralph Collison for the same job. Seconded by Robert J. Bennett. Secret vote taken on written slips. James Fairbanks selected by majority vote.

Secretary was instructed to write letters and send registered mail with return receipt requested to Mr. W. H. Hewes notifying him that he would be relieved of his duties as of March 1, 1955, to James Fairbanks of his appointment and to Miss Maggie Hewes that the Town would no longer require her store for the Town Office as of March 1, 1955.

The question was asked if Wm. B. Truitt could draw water on a 2" line for his new store on Market St. from the Town's 2" line on Johns St. in the rear of the store instead of from the 6" line in front of the store. Motion made by L. W. Rowe that Wm. B. Truitt be required to draw his water for the new store from the 6" line on Market St. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Motion by Earl C. Willey that L. W. Rowe continue as Bridgeville Tax Ditch Commissioner for a one year term. Seconded by Robert J. Bennett. Motion carried.

Meeting No. 2..Continued.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 P. M. by Motion of Robert J. Bennett  
and a second by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "R".

Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary