

Meeting No. 3...March 5, 1955, held at the town office on Railroad Avenue.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 P. M. by President, James E. Culver with all Commissioners present.

The minutes of meetings 1 and 2 were read and approved by the Secretary, Robert J. Bennett.

Discussion was started on the hours that Town Manager would stay in the office. It was decided that James Fairbanks would stay in the office between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. On Saturdays he will be available all day in the office during his regular time of from 8 to 12 and 1 to 5. The town office will remain closed on Wednesday afternoons.

Debate on a truck for Mr. Fairbanks use begun. It was decided that he use his own truck at the rate of \$35.00 per month plus receiving gas and oil from the town supply.

Motion was made by Earl C. Willey that Town Manager be allowed to spend up to \$20.00 for necessary equipment at any one given time. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Lawrence W. Rowe made the motion that the two hour parking limit on the South side of Market St. be enforced, effective at once. Seconded by Robert J. Bennett. Motion carried.

Also concerning parking, all curbs on Market Street and curbs leading into Market Street are to be painted yellow for a distance of ten feet from the actual corner and no parking in this area is to be enforced by the Town police officers.

Daniel L. Short made a motion that some type of form be obtained that any person or contractor would have to sign before he would be given permission to make an opening in any street in the town of Bridgeville for the purpose of reaching water, gas, electric, telephone or sewer lines. The Town would require that the person or contractor be required to replace the street exactly as it was found so as to meet the approval of the Town Commissioners. Seconded by Lawrence W. Rowe. Motion carried.

Approval given to Morris Adams for the Construction of a 9 ft. concrete road across the Town alley from his scrapple house to the new refrigerator plant.

William B. Truitt had the question asked if the Town would pave the alley adjoining his new store on Market Street. It was decided that the Town not do this and that Mr. Truitt be told.

Lawrence W. Rowe moved that a check in the amount of \$50.00 be sent to Mr. H. Stanley Ledenham for auditing the Town books. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

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Motion by Earl C. Willey that Mr. W. H. Hewes be refunded a check in the amount of \$48.12, which was a personal check that was deposited to the credit of the Town account by mistake. Seconded by Lawrence W. Rowe. Motion carried.

The following bills were entered for payment:

Ck. #5217	Robert J. Bennett	\$ 13.17
07	Diamond State Telephone Co.	9.69
09	Dunham's Service Station	20.38
10	Box Rent-Baltimore Trust Co.	4.40
11	Walter Orendorf	6.00
12	Wilson D. Little	6.00
13	Boulevard Motor Co.	21.71
14	Bridgeville Garage	76.26
16	The Pure Oil Co.	114.50
15	Delaware Power & Light Co.	334.83
5204	Bradford N. Jones	24.75
21	Keys and Blinds-Jim Fairbanks	3.24
	Total	634.93

Motion made by Lawrence W. Rowe that all bills be paid. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

The following duties were outlined for James Fairbanks:

He is to secure two different kinds of street patch, cold patch and stone and tar and decide which is best for the use of the Town. One ton of each was decided and holes are to be patched starting as soon as possible.

Mr. Fairbanks to keep oil for use in Town vehicles.

Street signs are to be erected as soon as possible with the pipe to be purchased at Layton's Hardware.

He is also to call the Diamond State Telephone Co. and get a breakdown on the Town's telephone bill.

Streets to be swept and gutters to be cleaned as soon as they are dry enough.

John Neal to be contacted for axes he now has, which belong to the Town.

Call Ed. Rose in Georgetown and ask that Market (Route 404) and Main St. (Route 13A and 404) have center lines painted down each. Also see if Law Street could have cross lines and SCHOOL painted on it.


He is to see Roland Elliott and discuss drainage on land in back of O. H. Bannings. See what the Town would have to buy and what Elliott and the State would furnish.

Check with Ralph Smith and get an itemized statement. Also, contact Robert R. Layton and get an itemized statement of the Town's account.

All corners on Market St. and all corners leading into Market St. are to be painted yellow for a distance of ten feet in both directions as soon as the gutters can be cleaned and as soon as it is dry enough.

Earl C. Willey moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

  
Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary

Meeting #4.held in the Town Office on Monday, March 7, 1955(SPECIAL)

All members present.

Meeting called to order at 9 P.M. by President James E. Culver.

The following checks were approved for payment:

#5218	Charles Willin, Postmaster	\$19.27
19	W. H. Hewes-for personal check deposited to town A/C	48.12
20	H. S. Ledenham for town audit	50.00

Lawrence W. Rowe told the Commissioners that Ralph Freidel had resigned, effective on March 5, 1955, as Town Police officer. Granville Wilkins agreed to work seven nights a week plus Saturday afternoons for an extra \$21.00 per week. Secretary was instructed to place a classified ad in the Bridgeville News, Milford Chronicle and Federalsburg Times for a period of two weeks asking persons to apply for the position of Town Police officer.

Secretary was instructed to write to Kenneth W. Baker stating that the Town would co-operate with him fully in his position of Civil Defense Co-ordinator for the Town of Bridgeville.

Motion made by Lawrence W. Rowe that the Commissioners accept the Town Assessment as compiled by Earl C. Willey. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion Carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Daniel L. Short and seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary

RJB/eh

Meeting #5, held in Town Office on Monday, March 14, 1955.

Six man delegation from the Fire Company on hand concerning ditch that runs through town. The present condition of the ditch, with the water running too fast and also due to the fact the stream is so shallow that it will not allow fire engines to pump any amount of water from the ditch. Damming and digging a deeper hole were discussed along with the building of a road along side of the stream for a distance of a 100 foot span from each bridge. Auxiliary pump also brought up by the Delegation. Hole four foot deep, and twelve foot long and as wide as the ditch was suggested by the Fire Company. F. Joseph Willey, President of the Fire Co. said that the Fire Com. would relinquish their funds from the Town this year if those funds would be used for better fire protection, namely an auxiliary pump in the vicinity of the school house. It was also stated that dirt is up around the fire plugs too high in many places. If new plugs are to be installed, it was suggested that a more modern type of plug, called a steamer plug, be installed. These plugs would have a 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " standard couplings. Smelling sewers also brought up by F. Joseph Willey, most of which have had bad gas traps.

Meeting called to order at 8:55 P.M. by President James E. Culver.

All members present.

The Town Alderman's report was read and approved. Total of \$380.00 in fines were collected and turned in by Mr. O. T. Warrington for the month of February.

Minutes of Meeting #4 were read and approved.

A total of \$177.15 was collected by Mr. James Fairbanks to date during the month of March for Town taxes and water rents.

There was a balance of \$9166.66 cash in bank as of March 14, 1955.

The following bills were presented for payment:

Check #5232	Bridgeville Esso Servicenter	\$ 14.00
5231	Farmer's Supply Co.	25.00
5235	H. C. Layton & Son	63.43
5233	Hopkins Brothers	11.40
5234	Earl C. Willey	100.00
5230	Del. State Highway Dept.	.75
5229	Ralph E. Davis	10.00
5226	Stanley Ledenham	10.00
5228	Luther T. Calhoon	10.00
5227	Joe Rogers	10.00

Motion was made by L. W. Rowe that the above bills be paid. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Motion was made by L. W. Rowe that everyone who had their assessment changed by notified of the appeal date. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Motion was made by L. W. Rowe that Saturday, March 26, 1955, be set as appeal date for the Town assessment. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

One assessment book to be placed in Post Office and one in Waller's Pharmacy.

Motion was made by L. W. Rowe that the Town accept the estimated budget for 1955, as prepared by President, James E. Culver. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried. Copy available in Town office and in Secretary's file.

Motion made by L. W. Rowe that the three election clerks, Ralph E. Davis, Stanley Ledenham, and Luther T. Calhoun, be paid a fee of \$10.00 each for their services, on election day. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Motion by Daniel L. Short that the Tax rate for the 1955 year remain the same as 1954, \$1.25 per hundred dollars value on property, and \$2.50 on each capitation. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

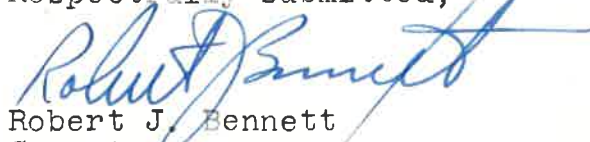
Motion by Robert J. Bennett that the Town budget be published in the Bridgeville News. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Motion made by Robert J. Bennett that the application of D. M. Dimes, Jr. for Town police officer be tabled until more applications are received. Seconded by Earl C. Willey. Motion carried.

Motion was made to adjourn by L. W. Rowe. Seconded by Earl C. Willey.

Adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary

RJB/eh



Meeting #7 (SPECIAL) held at Town Office on Wednesday, March 30.

All members present.

Position of Town police officer opened for discussion and applications from the following men entered:

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| 1. David Myer Dimes, Jr. | Bridgeville, Del. |
| 2. Louis O. Bowden       | Seaford, Del.     |
| 3. Charles Jarrell       | Harrington, Del.  |
| 4. Charles Leland        | Seaford, Del.     |
| 5. George Wilcox         | Denton, Md.       |
| 6. George D. Cain        | Harrington, Del.  |
| 7. Russell LeGates       | Harrington, Del.  |
| 8. Orrie Dean            | Denton, Md.       |
| 9. Louis Wintjin         | Lincoln, Del.     |
| 10. George W. Smith      | Denton, Md.       |
| 11. Clifford Hammond     | Houston, Del.     |

Motion made by Daniel L. Short that David Myer Dimes, Jr. be hired as Town Police officer. Seconded by L. W. Rowe. Motion carried. Mr. Dimes is to start April 4, 1955 at \$55.00 per week. Motion made by Earl C. Willey that Granville Wilkins be appointed Sergeant of the Town Police force. Seconded by Daniel L. Short. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Bennett  
Secretary

RJB/eh