

Commissioners of Bridgeville
Regular Meeting
February 13, 1989

President Collison call the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners present were Michael Collison, James Evans, Walter Gilefski. Commissioners Lance Willey and Eugene Crockett were unable to attend.

Guests present: Norman Oates, new police officer, Chief John Tyndall, Walter Mars, reporter for the Leader, John Loscomb, sewer plant manager, Abdul Quassaunee and Clark Carbaugh of CABA Associates, Ruth O'Neal, Hattie Sylvia, Connie Collins, Alderman, Michael Short of the Sussex Soil Conservation, Charles Royal, Dr. & Mrs. Beckert, Albert Rizzo, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Short, Robert Hunsberger and his son, of Pet Poultry Co. Phillip Davis, Mark Wolpole, Paul Nowland from WAFL, Daniel Sauder and Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Savard.

Minutes of the re-organizational meeting and the regular meeting of January 9 were read by Secretary Evans. Motion was made by Commissioner Gilefski, seconded by Commissioner Evans to approve minutes as read. Approved by the Board.

Bills in the amount of \$43,384.12 were presented for payment. Motion was made by Commissioner Gilefski and seconded by Commissioner Evans to pay bills as presented. Motion approved by the Board.

Abdul Quassaunee of CABA Associates have a progress report on the Sewer Plant Project. Dr. Quassaunee said final inspection was made on February 3rd. A new punch list was made and contractor has 30 days from February 10th to complete punch list. Dr. Quassaunee is asking the plant operators to notify him of any thing they question. He also said he had sent the 3rd change order to the commissioners for approval. He has also submitted the necessary quarterly report for review to the Construction Grants Branch. President Collison asked about the first year certification. Dr. Quassaunee said the training of the operators would begin and he said there had been no permit violations during the last month. Dr. Quassaunee said the plant was not running at capacity because of a line that was trapping air making the line not run to full capacity. Contractor is working on this problem at no cost to the Town.

President Collison informed the Commissioners of the Igloo Recycling Program. Delaware Solid Waste Authority and Sussex County started this in 1988 in New Castle County and has moved down to the other counties. There have been two igloos installed at the rear of the parking lot - 1 for dark glass and 1 for clear glass. It will be picked up once a month. The Town will get the money for the glass. President Collison asked the other Commissioners and the guests present for suggestions as to how to use the money. Mr. Rizzo said he would like to see trash recepticals placed on the streets for trash and the Town to see that they were emptied. Mr. Royal suggested no littering signs posted and fines be imposed

to deter the littering. Commissioner Gilefski said he feared people would use the containers for their personal use. Mr. Mars questioned the location of the Igloos. President Collison said a small sign showing where they were will be installed under the Parking Lot sign. Flyers will also be supplied to be handed out. Mr. Rizzo asked if he would be allowed to plant azaleas for spring color in the area across from the Town Hall. He also suggested the Town could buy their annuals from Sussex Vo-Tech School at a reasonable rate. President Collison said at this point the Town would use the money for the beautification of the Town.

President Collison had a progress report on the delinquent tax letters that had been mailed out. Letters were sent to 81 individuals -15 had paid, 4 have paid partial payment leaving 66 to hear from. If taxes are not cleared up by April 30th, certified letters will be sent that their tax bills have been turned over to our Town Solicitor for collection.

President Collison reminded the Commissioners of a budget workshop on February 27 at 7:00 p.m. He also said he would be giving each commissioner a financial report on the Town's C.D.s showing what each individual account has.

President Collison said he hoped to hold a Clean-up Bridgeville Day. He reported that we recently spent \$1000 to sweep the streets and the streets were not cleaned to his satisfaction. He would like to pick a day in April or May and have a street representative for every street in Town. This person would go to every household and ask them to please sweep their sidewalks and gutters, put dirt and trash in bags, set them on the curb and toe Town would pick up the bags at the end of the day. He then would like to haod a picnic at the Town's expense to thank the people for their efforts to clean up our Town. President Collison appointed Commissioners Gilefski and Crockett to spearhead this project. Mr. Royal said it was hard to keep dirt off the streets in parts of Bridgeville because there are no curbs or sidewalks. President Collison said his hope is to have curbs and sidewalds and every street paved during his term of Presidency. Mrs. Sylvia said she had a suggestion of using some of the men that hang around to clean up the streets. Phillip Davis said he would like to meet with Street Commissioner Gilefski at the end of First Street for him to see how the water stands. He said the sweeper went down the middle of the street and that was all. Dr. Beckert said he did not see how a one day event could solve the problem. President Collison said maybe it could be done on monthly or bi-monthly basis. Mr. Royal said where he had lived in Philadelphia they had block captains for this thing and it had worked very well. Commissioner Evans said it looked interesting and Commissioner Gilefski said he felt it was worth trying once to see how it works. President Collison said they could then have the sweeper a couple of times a year and they would be able to really clean the streets. Mr. Short said the streets on Main Street are higher than the curbs. The State has done this so they would

have to be contacted. Mr. Rizzo said that there are abandoned buildings that need to be addressed. President Collison said he is aware of this but must take one thing at a time. Mrs. Sylvia said that the street from Railroad Avenue to Cannon Street is a mess. When it freezes it could be used for an ice pond and water always stands there. Commissioner Evans said the street was not graded properly and needs to be re-graded. This is to be checked and reported on at the next meeting.

Commissioner Gilefski asked Dr. Qaissaunee about change order #3. Dr. Qaissaunee said it was found that the following was needed: a 120 gallon tank for air supply, steps to the clarifier, 2 fire extinguishers, 2 UV racks, the fan duct in the office enclosed, 12" butterfly valve on filter bypass, automatic oiler on both screening pumps and an additional 300 ft. of cable, a junction box installed for the PA probe in the effluent channel. He said DNREC seems to want to accept these changes and will pay 85% of the cost of these changes of \$11,954.18. Our cost would be \$1,793. Commissioner Gilefski wanted to know if this would be the last change order. Dr. Qaissaunee said there could possibly be a problem with the ultra violet system that may necessitate another one. Motion was made by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Gilefski to approve Change Order #3. Approved by the Board.

President Collison presented a copy of an agreement between the Town and Sussex Soil Conservation District for approval. Mr. Short of the Conservation District explained to the Commissioners what this agreement was about. It basically means seeing that dirt does not run off on property next to the person asking for a building permit. When applying for a permit the person will have to fill out 2 applications for the Soil Conservation District. We would keep one copy and send a copy to Soil Conservation. The forms are filled out properly. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilefski, seconded by Commissioner Evans to approve the Erosion Sediment Control Contract. Approved by the Board.

President Collison brought to the Commissioners' attention the Contract B - Lance Eller Claim. He said we could have bought the signs 5 or 6 times for what they put in for rental of signs. It seems we can do nothing about it at this point and our chances are slim of winning in court against these claims. Commissioner Evans said the operation did not go as expected and the pipe line is working effluently and he felt it was a legitimate cost so he feels we should pay it. Commissioner Gilefski asked if Eller will accept \$32,745.09. CABE Associates assured them they would. Motion was made by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Gilefski to pay increase in claim made by Lance J. Eller for shut down time. Approved by the board.

Water & Sewer Bill Adjustments - It was first thought to none but Mr. Phillip Daivs said he was there to ask for an adjustment on his bill for his apartments on Church street. He found he had a leak in his hot water heater. Being he did not have his receipts for his repair bill he was asked to

bring in his receipts. Discussion will be made at the next meeting.

Alderman Collins submitted her report. Report accepted and approved.

Commissioners Reports:

Street Department - Commissioner Gilefski said he and Doug Jones would make an inspection of pot holes.

Sewer Department - Commissioner Evans said he had made inspection of the Sewer Plant with the engineers. He wanted to thank John Loscomb for keeping him aware of any problems. Mr. Evans said if any problems arise at the plant the light will flash and a call goes out on the beeper to John and or Doug. They in turn will come in to check. He said the Town still does not have a permit from Shore Best. They are operating without a license. Commissioner Evans said he had attended the ditch tax meeting and found that it was in financially good shape. He said there was one small problem which they hoped to get solved with the Soil Erosion Department. A large pipe is needed to take care of this.

Mr. Bob Hunsberger and his son said they would like an update on the fire hydrant and supply of water to their business. He said there was a six or eight inch pipe at the police station that could supply them water or a tank could be put in at the cost of \$50,000.00. He feels the Town should provide them with water at the Town's expense as they are one of the largest tax payers. Mr. Hunsberger said he had had the fire hydrants tested at their expense. They had a sprinkler system installed and cannot operate it or their warehouses until they get water. President Collison told Mr. Hunsberger and his son that he could not promise them that the Town could supply them the water they needed at the Town's expense but he would discuss this with Doug Jones and get back with him Tuesday or Wednesday. Action will be taken one way or another.

President Collison asked for Citizens privilege. Mrs. Sylvia said there is a gang that hangs around her back alley. This is degrading to her to have them hanging around a dumpster and a barrel to keep warm. Could something be done about it? Chief Tyndall said she could sign a warrant against these individuals and they are not all winos. President Collison told Chief Tyndall to have his officers to drive by there as often as feasible. He told Mrs. Sylvia to sign warrants if she saw fit to do so and Chief Tyndall to arrest them if possible. Mrs. Sylvia also said there was an abandoned car by Layton's Hardware store and there were sleeping in it when the weather is warm. President Collison instructed Chief Tyndall to get rid of the abandoned car and take action in court if necessary.

President Collison said on the Bridgeville Mall progress new drawings had been submitted for the Towns submittal to DNREC. Some more details needs to be worked out with the Mall's engineer. They need to work these details out before construction plant is started. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilefski seconded by Commissioner Evans to submit plans of the Bridgeville Mall Limited to DNREC for review. Motion approved.

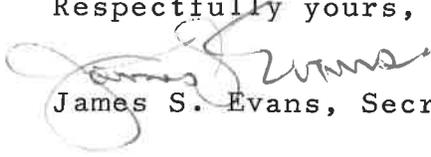
Commissioner Gilefski wanted to know if we have a copy of water franchise. Clark Carbaugh of CABE Associates said he had not seen one. Clark said he does not believe the Town wants to approve anything until we have a copy of the water franchise.

Mr. Phillip Davis told Commissioner Gilefski he would also like to meet him at his apartments on Church Street. He said his driveway needed upgrading and would like Mr. Gilefski to give him some ideas.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gilefski, seconded by Commissioner Evans to go into executive session for Personnel business at 8:45 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully yours,


James S. Evans, Secretary