

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 1983

President Gilefski called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Commissioners present were: James Evans, Al Jones, Robert Mulvaney, and Walter P.J. Gilefski.

Guests were: Clif Laverty, Town Manager, Bonnie Grant, reporter for THE LEADER, Kenneth Wrightson of Country Pride, Alderwoman Margaret Thompson, John Hartman, Sewer Plant Manager, Philip Davis, George Jefferson, Michael Layton, Charles Davis and Rev. Maxwell of Mt. Calvary Church.

Commissioner Mulvaney made a motion to dispense with the reading of last month's meeting. Commissioner Jones said he would like them read as he was absent from the last meeting. Commissioner Mulvaney withdrew his motion. The minutes were approved as read.

Bills in the amount of \$15,098.37 were presented for payment. Commissioner Mulvaney made a motion to pay all bills, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Copy of bills are attached.

President Gilefski read a letter from the Delaware State Housing Authority, stating that Bridgeville had passed their audit with only one small recommendation. President Gilefski commended Clif Laverty on his work in this department.

President Gilefski also read a letter from Tom Eickler who has moved up to E.P.A. Division III, and he said he hoped to sign the 201 Facility for Bridgeville.

President Gilefski said there would be a workshop on 201 Facility with CABE Associates on the 15th of August. Commissioner Mulvaney asked and was given permission for Waste Treatment Plant Manager John Hartman to attend in his place as he would be on vacation.

There will be a 201 Facility public hearing on August 29th, at 7:30 P.M. at the Woodbridge High School Auditorium.

President Gilefski read the first reading of the new ordinance on Grass, Weeds and Hedges. He asked if there were any changes the Commissioners wanted to make or if they had any questions on same. Commissioner Mulvaney said he had a question on Section 4. "Does the ordinance come under Title 11?" The answer was "NO." He also wanted to know if it would cover the south side of Jacobs Drive. The answer was "NO". A State Agency would have to be called in for that. Commissioner Evans wanted to know who would be responsible to enforce the rule. The Town Manager would be responsible for this. Mr. Laverty said the Ordinance as written had been approved Town Solicitor, Dennis Schrader. The Board approved the Ordinance as read. Second reading will be at September meeting. A notice of this ordinance will be in THE LEADER for two weeks before adoption at next meeting.

A letter was read from Thurman W. Adams, President of the Historical Society, asking the Town to extend water, sewer and property tax exemption to the lot they had purchased adjacent to the Old Fire House. Commissioner Mulvaney made a motion to extend the exemption, seconded by Commissioner Evans. The motion was approved by the Board.

President Gilefski asked the Commissioners to fix a quarterly rate for resident sewer users only. Commissioner Mulvaney made a motion to set a flat rate of \$20.00 per quarter with notification that the rate would be adjusted when the rate for other residents would have to be adjusted. This was seconded by Commissioner Evans and approved by the Board.

President Gilefski called for Department Reports.

Water Department--Commissioner Evans said that pumps 2 and 3 were in operation only. Pump No. 1 had been shut off on the 20th of July. We have some problem with it and do not want to overwork it. He does want it kept in operational condition in case of an emergency. Flow meters have been ordered but not in yet.

Police Department--Commissioner Jones said arrests were down but that his men were very busy with traffic. He told the Board he was planning to change gas suppliers as he could get gas 3¢ a gallon cheaper at 94.8¢ per gallon, same quality. He said this would save \$300.00 in a years time which could go on the fuel bill for the Police Department Headquarters. Our present supplier said he could not match this price. The change will be at no expense to our present dealer. Commissioner Jones said his department was having a problem with some people not registering their bicycles. Letters are being sent to offenders.

Sewer Department--Commissioner Mulvaney said he would like to bring to the Board's attention the gas bill for the month. It was quite low from what it usually was, thanks to Sewer Plant Manager John Hartman. He said the new uniforms had arrived. He said it had cost \$625.00 for Newton's to rent us the jack used for the clarifloculator. Commissioner Mulvaney said he would like to bring to the Board's attention a request he had been approached with by several citizens of The Town. He would like the Town to donate money from Revenue Sharing to establish a Booster Club with matching funds from business men and industries. Funds would stay under the auspices of the Town. Guests Mr. Jefferson and Mr. Charles Davis, Woodbridge Football coach said a Booster Club was very much needed to whow our children they were being backed by the Town. A club is to be formed with a Board of Directors to come back to the next meeting with a format. Commissioner Jones made a motion that the Town donate \$1250.00 to the Woodbridge Booster Club--\$1000.00 from Revenue Sharing and \$250.00 from the Police Department Account. This was seconded by Commissioner Evans. Commissioner Mulvaney said he would like to donate \$250.00 from his Department. President Gilefski said he had qualms about this as sewer money came from the residents to be spent in that department only. Commissioner Mulvaney recinded his motion. Commissioner Mulvaney is to be the liason between the Club and the Town. Mrs. Thompson volunteered her services as typist and bookkeeper.

Alderwoman Thompson said in order to save time she would pass out a copy of her report--copy is attached.

Town Manager--Clif Laverty introduced Mr. Wrightson of Country Pride to the Board. Mr. Wrightson said he had come to request permission from the Town to use Conrail's siding adjacent to Adams Feed Mill, now maintained by the Town, to unload corn. He said there would be approximately 5-30 cars a week. He said Eastern Shore was a deficit area. Electricity would be needed. One question that was raised would the cars passing the railroad crossing tie up traffic worse than it is now? The Town Manager told Mr. Wrightson his company would have to pay for having electric provided. He and Mr. Wrightson are to work together on this. They would pay the Town a fee for using siding.

Mr. Laverty said the control panel was not working properly. There was a problem with Pump #3--keeps kicking out. He said Well #2 only has two years left of its life expectancy. He said the Board should be thinking about a new pump and pump house. Location could be 15 feet from present location or installed down at the Town Hall. He said he had ordered new water meters.

Mr. Laverty said he had talked to Clark Carbaugh about the Comprehensive street study and that Mr. Carbaugh said it could be done on a time and material basis. He said he would like to see the water and sewer tap ordinance changed as the Town was losing money at the present fees. He would like to see an ordinance where there would be a \$40-\$50 permit fee and residents would pay to have his tap installed by a bonded contractor. The Board told Mr. Laverty to look into a tapping permit and a general fee for contractors.

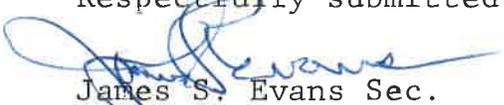
Mr. Gilefski told Mr. Laverty he had done an excellent job in writing the Weed, Grass and Hedge ordinance. Mr. Laverty said he was pleased with the audit report on Rehab and that there was six rehab--one out on bids, winding up FY82 funds. FY83 funds had been received and there was one Demolition Contract out.

President Gilefski asked Mr. Davis if he had anything to say. Mr. Davis said he had his usual complaint--only the noise and problems on Gum Alley were worse than ever on Sundays. He says he sees police through the week but never on Sundays. Mr. Davis was assured that action was being taken if only he would bear with the police and Town Manager for awhile longer, so they and other enforcement agencies could hopefully stop this forever. Mr. Davis said he was willing as long as he could see results.

Commissioner Evans introduced to the Board a guest--Rev. Maxwell, the new pastor at Mt. Calvary Church.

Commissioner Jones moved to adjourn at 8:50 P.M., seconded by Commissioner Mulvaney. The Board went into a short executive session.

Respectfully submitted,


James S. Evans Sec.