

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 1980

Meeting was called to order by President Robert Mulvaney at 8 P. M.

Commissioners present were: Mr. A. L. Jones, Mr. James Evans, Mr. William Hartzell and Mr. Walter Gilefski.

Town Manager, Ronald Wilson attended the meeting.

Guest present were: Dr. Foster Flint, Mr. Francis Lewis, Dawson Shahan, Waste Treatment Plant Mgr., and Carol Don Garra of the Leader.

Mr. James Evans, Secretary read the minutes of the re-organization meeting and the regular meeting held in January. It was moved by A. L. Jones and seconded by William Hartzell to accept minutes as read. Approved by the Board.

Bills for January were presented for payment. Walter Gilefski moved to pay bills as presented. seconded by A. L. Jones. Bills here attached.

Mr. Gilefski, Sewer Commissioner said he would like to announce to the Board that Dawson Shahan, Jr., Waste Treatment Plant Mgr., had passed his state certification test as a qualified sewer plant operator. Mr. Shahan was commended on a job well done.

Police Commissioner, A. L. Jones gave his report to the Board. For the month of January there had been 41 traffic arrests, 20 criminal complaints, 11 criminal complaints cleared, 3 accidents. 49 public assists, 2490 miles traveled and 564 hrs. worked.

On February 13 all officers including Chief Wilson will be in Dover for shooting qualifications required by state. State Police will cover the town while officers are in Dover.

Street Commissioner, William Hartzell reported there was no money in his present budget for things that needed to be done.

James Evans, Water Commissioner, moved that a statement be released on the response to the questionnaires sent out on the water survey - meter vs. flat rate. It was apparent from the survey that it was not economically feasible to change from meters because of the elderly people living on fixed income. Their bill would be higher at a fixed rate. This motion was seconded by William Hartzell. Approved by the Board.

President Mulvaney asked if our guests had any questions or suggestions they would like to present. Dr. Flint asked if the Board had considered annexation of the land N. of Bridgeville since Perdue had asked for water service. He felt it would be a source of revenue for the town; taxes, water, etc. He also asked the Board if they would consider repairing Elm Street as it should be done. The Board told Dr. Flint this would be taken care of as soon as money was available. The Board also said the drain behind Hattie Sylvias would be taken care of.

Mr. Francis Lewis took the floor asking the Board if they would reconsider their decision of a charge of \$10.00 for the use of the Town Hall to organizations and culture meetings. President Mulvaney explained to Mr. Lewis it was not what the Board wanted to do but because of the economic situation they felt they had no alternative.

President Mulvaney asked Town Mgr., Ron Wilson for a report on the Johnson property. Mr. Wilson said that Mr. & Mrs. Johnson had been notified by registered letter that they had 30 days to start tearing down this property; to be completed in 120 days or condemnation proceedings would be started. The 30 days would be up the 15th of February. If the Johnsons have not contacted this office as of business hours Monday, Feb. 18, the Town Solicitor, Dennis Schrader will be contacted to start condemnation proceedings. The Board unanimously agreed to this.

President Mulvaney and Town Mgr. told the Board that they had met with a Recreation Committee two weeks ago about creating recreational facilities for the Town of Bridgeville. This meeting consisted of P.T.A. members, Mr. David Winski, principal of Woodbridge School District, Representatives from the State Parks & Recreation Dept. The Division of Parks told them that there was money to be had but if the Town would act as grant applicant there was more chance of getting it. The money would be given on a 50-50 matching funds. President Mulvaney said he told this committee that the Town was not financially able to do this but that maybe thru community efforts this would be possible. Mr. Winski was to present to the School Board the desire to use school land for this recreation site. Land to be leased to the Town for a sum of \$1.00. William Hartzell made a motion for the town to act as grant applicant, seconded by A. L. Jones. Approved by the Board.

It was moved to meet with the top three consulting firms for the sewer system evaluation within the next two or three weeks. The top three firms being: 1. CABE Associates, Inc., 2. Richardson Associates and 3. Betts, Converse and Murdock.

President Mulvaney reported that a necessary piece of equipment needed by C.A.T.V. to complete cable T.V. in the Town of Bridgeville was being shipped by Feb. 15. Should be received two or three days later. Installation should be completed ready for service by the first two weeks in March. Installation fee will be \$20.00 and \$6.95 monthly charge for 14-15 channels. Box office will cost approximately \$8.00 additional.

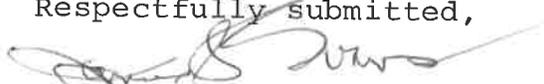
Mr. Mulvaney stated that bids on the three lots acquired by HUD Grant should be received by 4:30 Friday, Feb. 29, 1980. Town to have right to refuse all bids.

Street Commissioner, William Hartzell read ordinance #541 concerning grass cutting. It was agreed to keep present ordinance requiring all property owners to keep grass cut in lieu of a fine. Grass not to be more than 8" tall. If grass is not cut, owner will be fined \$5.00 per day until it has been cut.

Motion was brought to the floor by A. L. Jones to increase the water rate for the first 4,000 gals. of water to the residents of the Bridgeville Manor and west of Bridgeville to the Rider Property. There has only been one increase in the water rate since water service was provided in 1942 to the Manor. Rate will be \$10.00 for the first 4,000 gals of water. All over the minimum will be charged the existing rates. This will become effective April 1, 1980. Residents to be notified by letter before April's billing. This motion seconded by James Evans and unanimously approved by the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,


James S. Evans, Sec.