

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 1982

Meeting was called to order at 7 P. M. by Pres. Mulvaney.

Commissioners present were: Mr. Robert L. Mulvaney, Mr. A. L. Jones, Mr. James S. Evans, Mr. William L. Hartzell and Mr. Walter P. J. Gilefski

Also present Alderman Margaret Thompson and Chief of Police Ricci Pyle.

Guests presents were: Deputy Robert J. Montgomery, Jr., Office of State of Del. Fire Marshall, F.P.E. James E. Bunkley, Office of State Fire Marshall, Pete Lyden, WCTN F.M. of Federalsburg, Md. , Bonnie Grant of the Leader, William C. Lecates of Sussex County Council, Bob Martin, Sussex County Council, Howard W. Mulvaney, Helen Mulvaney, Linda W. Mulvaney, Ruth Cephas, Margaret Cephas and Robert Thomas of Bridgeville Fire Co.

Minutes of January's meeting were read by Sec. James Evans. A. L. Jones made a motion to accept minutes as read, seconded by Walter P. J. Gilefski and approved by the Board.

Comm. Evans moved to pay all bills in the amount of \$10,769.53 as presented for payment, seconded by William Hartzell and approved by the Board. Bills here attached.

President Mulvaney asked for department reports.

Water Comm., James Evans said he had been in contact with Kevin Burdette of Delmarva Drilling about a service contract for the pumps. Mr. Burdette thought it would be better if his company would work on an hourly basis @ \$20.00 per hr. A once a month inspection of all pumps would be made with one stipulation, that one person from the Town would work with them to learn what they could do to the pumps so that after a period of time Delmarva Drilling would only be called in in an emergency. These inspection tours should take 1-1½ hrs. A. L. Jones made a motion for Town Mgr., Clif Laverty to assist Delmarva Drilling on these inspection tours, seconded by Walter Gilefski and approved by the Board.

Police Commissioner, A. L. Jones gave his report of 11 complaints, 5 accidents, 1,659 miles traveled, 194 miles patrolled, 417 hrs. worked 27 assists, 431 gals. of gas used, 346 gals. by the police dept. and 84 gals. by the Waste Treatment Plant. He told the board that the new police car had not come in yet, but was expected any day.

Alderman Thompson gave her report of 103 fines for the month of Jan. These generated \$875.50 in Court Cost, \$340.20 V.C. Tax and net fines of \$3,669.70. During Jan. of 1981 82 fines were collected resulting in net fines of \$2,311.77. This represents a net gain of \$1,357.93 collected over the same period last year and an increase of 21 more fines collected than for Jan. 1980. She told the board she had changed Ordinance #530 to read , Section # 3 - definition of a minor is defined as 12 yrs. of age or younger; Section #5 of Ordinance #530 should include vidio games. Mr. Walter Gilefski moved that Section 5 of Ordinance #5 be changed. He said it sounded as though there would be a license fee for vidio games. This motion was seconded by William Hartzell.

Walter Gilefski, Sewer Commissioner told the Board that winter maintenance of #3 pump had been completed at the sewer plant and that the vacuator was still to be repaired. He said he was pleased with the turn out and the response to the 201 Facility Plan public hearing. Also the favorable comments from the State. Another hearing on the 201 Facility Plan will be in the near future.

William Hartzell, Street Comm. said because of a delay in getting materials and the bad weather, the storm drain project had been delayed.

Pres. Mulvaney, introduced Mr. Bob Martin and Mr. Lecates of the Sussex Conty Communitih Development Office. They said they were here to inform the Baord of their help to Sussex County Towns such as tourism, locating new industry, taxes, educational facilities, etc. They are working on bringing new industry to take over the Cannon Complex. They said they would be working with Del. T. C. C., business men, Delmarva Power representative. They informed the board that the Defence Task Force Conference will be held Feb. 17-18. Pres. Mulvaney asked when this side of the County would be getting "a slice of the pie" seeming everything was going to the east side of the County. He than thanked Mr. Martin and Mr. Lecates for coming.

Pres. Mulvaney asked Comm. Jones, Chairman of the Fire Utilites Comm. to give his report on the Full Gospel Church of God's fire inspection. Comm. Jones here attached.

Pres. Mulvaney reconized Rev. Charles Cephas wife who then read a statement from Rev. Cephas that he believed the motives of the Commissioners was racial. That the Committee had not inspected any other church and the the Committee had turned 9 people out in the cold with no place to go or without food and heat.

Rev. Cephas's mother also stated the same thing.

Pres. Mulvaney assured the two ladies that it was not the intent of the committee to close the building as a Church, but to only insure the safety of human lives.

Pres. Mulvancy than asked Fire Marshall Deputy Montgomery to give his findings at the Church . Mr. Montgomery said that the requirements of the fire code had not been met, with exposed wiring, blocked exits, fire extinguishers were outdated, an electric heater was incorrected connected and various other violations were evident. Report attached. He said he told the Fire Utilities Committee that they could do one of two things; a complete closing of the building or allowing them the use of the Sanctuary . The Committee asked that they be allowed to remain open for Church services until they complete their repairs. Mr. Montgomery introduces Mr. James Bunkley, Fire Protection Engineer of the State Fire Marshall Office. Mr. Bunkley will be making an inspection with Mr. Montgomery and the Fire Utilities Committee for a second inspection of the Church on Feb. 12, 1982.

Mr. Gilefski asked Chief Pyle for his report on the night of inspection. Report attached.

Mr. Gilefski moved that the reports as read, seconded by William Hartzell.

Pres. Mulvaney said that the Church would have to meet the fire code standards by Friday, Feb. 22, 1982.

Pres. Mulvaney reminded the Board of a budget meeting on Saturday morning at nine o'clock.

Motion was made for adjournment by A. L. Jones, seconded by William Hartzell and approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James S. Evans", written in a cursive style.

James S. Evans, Sec.