

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
Regular Meeting
June 9, 1986

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

Commissioners present were: W.P.J. Gilefski, James Evans, Daryl Tull, William Hartzell and A. L. Jones.

Guests present were: George Graves, Reporter for the Leader, Alderwoman Connie Collins, Chief of Police John Tyndall, Mr. Tim Cox and Mr. Fred Frye.

Minutes of last month's meeting were read. A motion was made by Commissioner Hartzell and seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the minutes as read. Approved by the Board.

Bills in the amount of \$20,085.38 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Evans to accept bills as presented. A copy of the bills is attached.

President Gilefski told the Board that a thank you note and a breakdown of the bills for the after prom party had been received from S.A.D.D. A donation of \$200.00 was made by the Town.

A letter from Town Solicitor Dennis Schrader on the fence problem was read. Mr. Schrader said he had reviewed the Town Charter and Ordinances and could find nothing to cover fence heights. If the County does not care to enforce their ordinance, which apparently they do not, then the only recourse is for the private citizen to get his own attorney.

President Gilefski read a resolution to support the 404-13 development proposed by John and Gloria Scott. A copy of the resolution will be sent to the County if approved by the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Hartzell seconded by Comm. Jones to approve the resolution as read. A 4-1 vote to approve the resolution. The nay vote was by Commissioner Tull who felt it was not necessary or fair to already established businesses to make a resolution supporting the project.

On the Francis Adams property, Pres. Gilefski said he had not received a letter from Cabe Associates yet. Per telephone conversation, Mr. Carbaugh said it would cost approximately \$20.00 a foot for sewer with one manhole at the end of the line at a cost of \$1,000-\$1,500 installed.

There are a lot of questions yet to be answered before Commissioners agree to extend service to these lots on Elm Street. Why taxes have not been paid on these lots in previous years and why they are not recorded in Georgetown? Who is going to open the road and what kind of road will it be? Commissioner Tull said that he could not support the Town putting in the sewer and water line as the Town does not have money to do so, but if prospective owner would put it in at his expense, he was for the Town giving owner credit on his sewer and water bill and taxes until he recoups his money.

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Commissioner Hartzell said he feels that we need to encourage growth and if the cost is reasonable to extend the lines and put in a road then he is for it, providing Mr. Adams pay the taxes on the property both present and past and requested them as residential lots -- not in a piece-meal fashion. President Gilefski is to contact Mr. Adams with this information.

President Gilefski gave to each Commissioner a copy of a pre-treatment permit written by Lee Beetchen to Perdue for review. After much discussion as to who would own the lines and have the say on who could tap into this line and maintain them, it was decided to defer action until the Commissioners had more time to think about it and meet with Lee Beetschen of CABA Associates again.

President Gilefski gave the Board the results of a survey made on whether all residents of Earlee Drive would want to tie into the Town's sewer and water lines. Most did not. Two residents, Richard Clifton and J.O. Brown did want to and will proceed with their plans if approved by the Board. The Board gave their approval for these two residents to tie into the sewer line on Jacobs Street. Commissioner Hartzell is to inform them of their decision.

A threatening letter has been sent to Del-Agra from Solicitor Dennis Schrader that they have to comply with their permit. Del-Agra asked Mr. Gilefski to ask our engineer about a new Company they have contacted to see if new meter, etc. is sufficient. The Board was not responsive to this request. The Commissioners want a meter reading and test results, not excuses. If Del-Agra does not comply, Dennis Schrader is to do whatever necessary--fines for each day of violation or take them to Court. Commissioner Tull says peas are coming through the plant indicating they are not screening either.

President Gilefski read a letter from Douglas Hitchens of 4 West 10th Street, Blades, DE. indicating his intention to open a car part store and used car lot next to Pet Poultry--former Melson Lumber Company office. It is now zoned commercial and could be used for a used car lot providing he follows State laws concerning signs, etc.

President Gilefski read a water conservation statement due to the extremely dry weather that he plans to distribute through-out the Town. A copy to be sent to The Leader for their paper coverage.

President Gilefski. asked for Department reports:

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Alderman's Report: Alderman's report was passed out to each Commissioner. Mrs. Collins told the Commissioners that she would be investigated on Monday for security by the State Police in connection with the computer system by DELJIS.

Water Department Report: Commissioner Evans said he wanted to commend Tilcon for allowing the Town to install a couple of bad valves before paving the street.

Police Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Jones said he had a request from Mr. Bill Stephens of Cedar Street for a street sign at the corner of Cedar and Cannon Streets. The request was granted. He also would like the CETA workers to paint the curbing yellow in front of My House Restaurant. Mr. Jones said he had also had a complaint about a sink hole in front of the Post Office. Commissioner Jones said he had a few things to discuss in executive session.

Sewer Department Report: Commissioner Tull said he would like to see the bump in the road at the intersection of Laws and Walnut Streets repaired. Commissioner Tull said he had been approached by the farmer who is tilling the land where the new water loop was installed. He said no-one had informed him of the right away or he would not have planted that area. Also it has not been graded and stumps removed. Commissioner Hartzell said he felt the Town should offer to pay him for his out of pocket loss. Commissioner Jones said he felt a letter of apology should be sent and asked what he felt his loss was. Inspection will be at 1:30 P.M. Tuesday on the water loop. Commissioner Evans will inspect this area at that time. Commissioner Tull also wanted to know why the grass has not been cut by Railroad Avenue and various other places.

Street Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Hartzell had an article out of The State News on police insurance and the difficulty of obtaining it in the future. He thought the Board should be aware of it.

Citizen's Privilege: Mr. Fred Frye, owner of My House Restaurant, said that since the new intersection had been put in, his business had dropped because of parking. He wondered if a sign showing Municipal Parking across the street could be installed. Commissioner Hartzell said he would see what could be done.

Commissioner Jones moved to go into executive session at 9:50 P.M., seconded by Commissioner Hartzell.

Respectfully submitted,


James S. Evans, Secretary