

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 1982

President Robert L. Mulvaney called the meeting to order at 7 P. M.

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

Guests were: Reporter Donna Smith, Reporter, Bonnie Grant, Police Chief Otis Holloway, Alderwoman Margaret Thompson and Mr. Gary Bollinger.

Comm. Jones made a motion to dispense reading of last month's minutes, seconded by William L. Hartzell and approved by the Board.

Bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$14,114.94. Copy of bills attached were approved by the Board for payment.

President Mulvaney told the Board that he would like all of the councilmen to sit down with him and propose a letter to the new legislation requesting condemnation of part of the Hoch Bros. property. This property is now up for sale and before someone buys it, Pres. Mulvaney feels it would be a good time for the state to start condemnation procedures and to put the cost of a traffic light, etc. into the coming Bond issue. Comm. Hartzell made a motion to proceed with this, seconded by Comm. Evans and approved by the Board. In all fairness to all persons concerned, after hearing from the State, the Board felt a letter should be written notifying the Real Estate Agent and Hoch Bros. of the Commissioners and State's intention to take part of this property.

Commissioner's reports were asked for by President Mulvaney.

Water Department - Comm. James S. Evans.

Comm. Evans said he would be using money to buy three fire hydrants. One would be placed at Cannon Foods Plant, one at the library and U. Methodist Church and the third to go wherever the Fire Company recommends after they make their survey. Mr. Evans said the water receipts were coming in fairly well and that delinquent bills will go out next Monday.

Street Department - Comm. William L. Hartzell

Comm. Hartzell said he had nothing of any significance to report. He said Town Mgr. Clif Laverty was getting a base figure on fixing some of the streets. He said after meeting with the school officials about parking in the school area, it was decided that Comm. Hartzell would see that someone would paint the parking spaces on the N. side of Edgewood and East side of Laws St. The paint has already been purchased. The school in turn would see that more parking spaces for students would be made available in the rear parking lot of the school. Chief Otis Holloway read a letter from the school asking his department for traffic assistance at 3 o'clock at Edgewood and Main St., especially on Fridays. Also, between 7:55 and 8:20 A. M. around the school area. The school also requested one way and no parking signs on Maple Alley. Comm. Hartzell said his dept. would pay for the necessary signs, but requested they be put up so students could not readily remove them. Comm. Hartzell asked for traffic control for the upcoming Christmas Parade. Chief Holloway told Comm. Hartzell this had been arranged and that a Re-Act unit would be helping again. Town Mgr., Clif Laverty informed Comm. Hartzell that Mr. Dale Wheatley had agreed to doing the Town's snow removal at the same price as last year. He will start the clearing of streets on the south side of Town this year.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - Comm. A. L. Jones.

Commissioners Jones gave the following report. There were 2 accidents, 14 complaints, 3,759 miles traveled, 407 hours patrolled, 707½ hours worked 3 assists, 522 gals. of gas used; police 410 gals., sewer plant 59 gals., and 7 gals. used by the town. The average speed for the month was 40¼ miles per hr. Comm. Jones said he thought that with the help of a Re-Act unit, Halloween went very smoothly with no major damage being done. One sign was painted out and some paint was painted on the back of the fire house. Comm. Jones made a motion to make a donation of \$75.00 to the Re-Act Unit for their help. This was seconded by Comm. Gilefski and approved by the Board. Comm. Jones asked the Board if they would consider meeting to help him make a new bicycle ordinance. He said the Town's present ordinance was not stiff enough and a copy of another's Town's was too tough. It was decided that the Board would meet before the next sewer meeting the first of December. Comm. Jones asked the other commissioners if they would approve putting a ring on the wall outside the court room so that prisoners could be handcuffed to the ring while it was necessary for the police officer to leave the prisoner to be in the court room with Alderwoman, Thompson. Comm. Hartzell made a motion that a ring be installed to secure prisoners, seconded by James Evans and approved by the Board. Comm. Jones said that there were a lot of rusted signs that needed replacing. He said he had some signs but did not have the man-power to erect them.

Alderwoman Report - Margaret I. Thompson.

Mrs. Thompson said that one hundred speeding fines were collected during October with three of each of the following: Driving while suspended, driving at a speed greater than reasonable, inattentive and careless driving; two of each of the following violations: driving under the influence, petit larceny and bad checks, stopped on the Highway, unregistered M.V., improper turn, fictitious tags, contempt of court, resisting arrest and failure to change address, one of each. There were 6 of failure to answer summons tickets issued. Mrs. Thompson also asked the Board to consider deputizing Town Mgr., Clif Laverty as there were many times he had to watch a prisoner's family or friends while she and the police officer were busy in the court room. Comm. Jones told Mrs. Thompson that he had dropped the ball on this but would pick it up again.

Sewer Department - Walter P. J. Gilefski, Comm.

Comm. Gilefski told the Board that the test done by Delmarva Lab where lower or meeting the standard set by the State. Bod's were running 68% and all suspended solids were below 30. The State says that when they take a grab sample it is reading 39.21. Comm. Gilefski believes because of a new man from the state is on the job we are getting unnecessarily cited. Comm. Gilefski reported that we have had a lot of applications for the part-time job. He will be going over the applications soon deciding who will be interviewed. It seems that right now the plant has two problems. No. 1 is that we are operating on one pump where we normally use two. Roland took the pump to Rockville, Md. late in the summer. They say that it is not worth fixing the old pump and gave a price of approx. \$10,000 for two new pumps. C.A.B.E. Assoc. sees no reason why existing pumps cannot be replaced especially in light of the fact the possibility of a new sewer system. No. 2 is a problem in the water line that runs the chlorination unit. The line needs to be replaced from the main right up to the chlorination unit. It needs to be operating 24 hrs. a day and as of now the system is not work efficiently. Dennis Chlorination recommends that this be fixed as soon as possible. Comm. Gilefski asked Comm. Evans if he had gotten any

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prices on painting the water tower. Mr. Evans said at this time he did not.

Comm. Hartzell asked Chief Holloway about the abandoned car project. Chief Holloway said it was 2/3's complete.

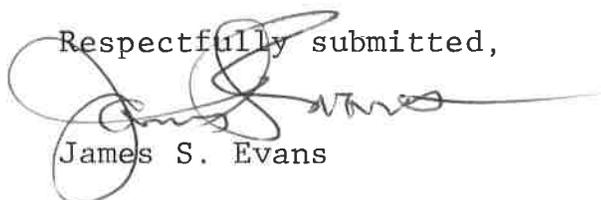
Town Manager's Report - Clifford Laverty

Mr. Laverty said Broad Creek Plumbers would be doing the necessary water repair work on Main Street next week. He said the fire hydrant would be repaired at Walnut and Railroad Ave. There are also sidewalks on Walnut Street that need to be repaired that had been torn up by G. E. Jones and Co. putting in new yokes. Curbing at I.G.A. also is to be done. All this work is to be done when the cement is poured on Main St. Mr. Laverty reported that we had received complaints about burning leaves in the streets. A notice will be put in the paper that all outside open burning is banned in the Town of Bridgeville. Mr. Laverty said he was happy to report that all funds had been returned to the Town from the Rehabilitation Block Grant Project. He said there had been a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant on the 25th of Oct. He said he will soon be starting the rehabilitation work and that he had had more applicants than money. All eligible applicants will be carried over for the next available money. The elderly and the handicapped will have top priority. He said out of 15 or 16 applicants there were 12 that qualified.

Citizen's Input - Mr. Gary Bollinger was introduced to the Board. Mr. Bollingers concern was about the teenagers hanging around the poolroom and the liquor store on Market St. Ext. Apparently the minors are getting people of age to buy the alcohol and beer for them. The Comm. said they were aware of the situation and would watch the situation closely. They assured Mr. Bollinger that the owner would not sell to the teenagers knowingly and would be one of the first to try to curb the situation. Owner of poolroom will be notified also of the situation.

Commissioner A. L. Jones moved that meeting be adjourned at 8:45 P. M., seconded by Walter Gilefski.

Respectfully submitted,



James S. Evans