

Regular Meeting
October 11, 1982

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Secretary James S. Evans, in the absence of President Robert Mulvaney.

Commissioners present were: Mr. A. L. Jones, Mr. James S. Evans, Mr. William Hartzell and Mr. Walter Gilefski. Guests were: Town Manager Clif Laverty, Alderwoman Margaret Thompson and reporter Bonnie Grant.

Commissioner Hartzell read the minutes of last month's meeting. Commissioner Jones moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Mr. Walter Gilefski and approved by the Board.

Secretary Evans called for Department Reports:

Police Department: Commissioner Jones told the Board that the police had worked quite a few hours on crime. It seems crime has been on the increase, including an attempted murder. Commissioner Jones said traffic had slowed up considerably. His men had 138 traffic arrests for the month of September. There had been two accidents, 30 complaints, 3,456 miles traveled, 707 hours worked; 344 3/4 hours patrolled, 3 assists and 9 criminal arrests; 551 gals. of gas had been used in September--410.2 for the police department, 89.4 gals. for the sewer plant, 14.7 gals. for the Town and 37.4 gal. for the Town Manager. Commissioner Jones and other Commissioners asked that Chief Holloway look at our present bicycle ordinance, Laurel bicycle ordinance, Title 21 on bicycles and report at the next meeting as to which one he recommends, or draft parts of all three into one ordinance. He advised the Board that whenever contract work was being done by the Town that required a State Permit, it was necessary to have flagmen on duty. Commissioner Jones said his men would be glad to do this at a cheaper rate of pay than charged by the contractor. Commissioner Hartzell moved to have our policemen perform this duty at the same rate of their hourly pay, seconded by Mr. Walter Gilefski and approved by the Board. Commissioner Jones said because crime is on the increase, he had decided not to sell the green police car but to use it as an unmarked car and plain clothesmen to try to curb this problem. He said the trash cans that had been placed at Cannon's Food were being used and the trash situation in that area seems to be improved. Commissioner Jones said from reports he had received, speeding around the school area seems to have been slowed down. He also said several abandoned cars have been removed.

Street Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Hartzell told the Board that he and Town Manager Clif Laverty would be meeting with school officials on Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. concerning the parking problem discussed at last month's meeting. He invited Commissioner Jones to attend this meeting. Commissioner Hartzell said the abandoned car problem was being worked on. Mr. Hartzell asked Mr. Laverty if he would try to find out if we were flying our State and Country flags improperly as he had been told that we were.

Sewer Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Gilefski said he would like to read the 201 resolution amendment before adoption by the Commissioners. He had contacted the Commissioners before the meeting and told them that he himself had accepted resolution as written. He also told the Board that our consulting engineer and the State said that after adopting this resolution amendment, that we should go further and pick out a site for extended testing. Commissioner Gilefski said the government would be giving 85% of funding. If price is under that then that's money in the Town pocket; if over, the Town will have to pay the difference. A Public Meeting will be held soon. Mr. Gilefski made a motion to accept this amendment, seconded by A. L. Jones, and approved by the Board. Mr. Gilefski asked Town Manager Clif Laverty to check with the school to see if their grease traps were being kept cleaned out. He told the Commissioners that the Trickling filter operates on two pumps. At this time it is operating only on one. The other is being repaired. The Company repairing it is having trouble getting parts because of its age. Due to this fact, he had gotten figures on the cost of two new pumps. He said he wanted Mr. Carbaugh of CABA to check to see if these prices were within reason and what we really wanted. He asked Mr. Laverty to check on one large tax bill as to why it is delinquent.

Water Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Evans said he appreciated what Mr. Laverty was doing for his department in getting necessary repairs done. He told the Board he was getting prices on painting the standing pipe at the Police Headquarters. Will present them at next meeting.

Town Manager Report: Mr. Laverty said the fire hydrant had been replaced at the Post Office and that a fire hydrant had been returned to the residents of Bridgeville Manor. Fire hydrant has been repaired on First Street also. Mr. Laverty said the meter had been repaired at the Cannon homestead property and the leak on Walnut Street had been repaired. He said plans are for the valve box on Main Street to be repaired. Also one on Walnut and Williams Street and to repair water service to the Handley property on Main Street. Mr. Laverty told the Board that Broad Creek had requested that the Town have a load of quarry waste deposited at the Sewer Plant for their use to pack around work areas. This would be at the Town's expense. All Commissioners agreed. He informed the Board that paint had been supplied by Commissioner Hartzell to the Key Club of Woodbridge High School. They painted on Saturday and will finish later. If more paint is needed, Mr. Hartzell said he would supply it. Mr. Laverty said it was going to cost around \$400 to repair the Sewer Plant Chevrolet truck. He told the Board that the last of the land lords had had their tenants to vacate and did not have to resort to any legal procedures.

Mr. Laverty said Police Chief Holloway had told him that the 20 mile per hour signs around the school were needed as the present ones had rusted out. Commissioner Hartzell told Mr. Laverty to order what was needed. Commissioner Hartzell said to check the stop sign and one-way sign behind Layton's Hardware. He believed they were missing again.

Mr. Laverty said he feels his meeting with Mr. Robert Moyer and Mr. Joe Myers was successful. He said they were impressed with what they saw and would place Bridgeville on the top priority list for the next go-around. He said they did request that he submit a comprehensive plan by November. Mr. Laverty reported that the old folk problem had been taken care of. Mrs. Kennedy, Rehabilitation Secretary, and Mr. Laverty attended a public hearing in Dover last week on Grants and Loans for this year. Mr. Laverty feels the Town is not ready for the loan end of the program. DOH has done nothing on rental houses as yet; no rehabilitation on rental property. On Monday October 25, there will be a public hearing at 7:30 P.M. to solicit public input for Block Grant applications for funding in 1983. Mr. Laverty asked the Commissioners to be at the meeting at 7:00 P.M. This meeting will be advertised in the paper and posted in various places in Town. The cost of writing grant will have to be absorbed by the Town, and it cannot come out of the grant. He told the Board that he had not received any Block Grant Money as yet. Hopefully by Monday he will receive something. To date there has been twelve applications for rehabilitation--more than what we have money for. The overage will be used as documentation for Y83. He told the Board that he had held a contractor's seminar and the poorest attendance was by Bridgeville contractors. Mr. Laverty read a resolution granting him the right to write and submit application for grant. Mr. Walter Gilefski moved to accept this resolution, seconded by Mr. Al Jones, approved by the Board. Resolution was signed by all Commissioners. Copy of resolution attached.

Alderman Report: Margaret Thompson read her report for September as follows: 212 fines were collected for the month of September. Past due fines are continuing to come in at a good rate, indicating that the reciprocity agreement with other states is working.

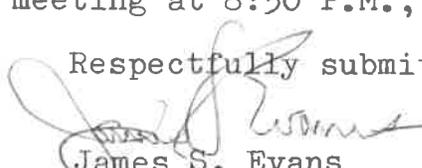
Bills in the amount of \$8,483.66 were presented for payment. Mr. A.L. Jones moved that bills be paid as presented, seconded by Mr. Walter Gilefski, approved by the Board. Copy of bills attached.

Mr. Evans read a request from the Lioness' of Bridgeville for police aid and for the Commissioners to ride in the Christmas parade on November 27 at 10:00 A.M. All Commissioners said they would be able to participate.

Halloween will be observed on Saturday night, October 30, with Trick or Treat for 12 years old and younger, from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. Under 18 years of age must be off the streets by 11:00 P.M.

Commissioners Jones moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M., seconded by Mr. William Hartzell.

Respectfully submitted,


James S. Evans