

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 1982

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 P. M. by President Mulvaney.

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

Guests present: Town Mgr., Clif Laverty, Yvonne Kennedy, Block Grant Sec., Donna Smith, reporter, Bonnie Grant, reporter, Otis Holloway, Chief of Police and Mr. Philip Davis, resident of Bridgeville.

Sec. James Evans read the minutes from last month's meeting. A. L. Jones made a motion to accept minutes as read except for three corrections. Minutes should have read Men's Softball League instead of Little League, Comm. Hartzell voted nay to the Personnel Policy Plan concerning monetary benefits to the Blue Cross Plan offered by the Town, and Town Mgr., Clif Laverty should have been in the minutes as being present. This motion was seconded by James Evans and approved by the Board.

Pres. Mulvaney told the Board that problems with the 201 Facility Plan amendment resolution has to be resolved before it can be signed. A special meeting probably will be called concerning this.

Bills in the amount of \$19,230.63 were presented for payment. Mr. A. L. Jones made a motion to pay all bills as presented after checking on several bills. Seconded by James Evans and approved by the Board. Copy of bills attached.

Pres. Mulvaney told the Board that the bills paid from General Account were running high due to funding the Block Grant Project until funding is available. First draw down will be in October and General Account will be re-inbursed.

Pres. Mulvaney read a letter from Mr. Carter of the Human Relations Office in response to an inquiry from the Board about his investigation into a discrimination charge made by Bishop Cephas. Mr. Carter said he had told Bishop Cephas that he found no discrimination from any of the Board members.

Pres. Mulvaney informed the Board that in order for all persons that work for the Town be covered by insurance they must have an employment application on file. They will be paid on Thursday, regular pay day, and taxes, at least Social Security, will be taken out of their pay check.

On Thursday morning at 11 A. M., Bob Moyer and Joe Myers from Delaware Housing Authority will be in Bridgeville to take a look at the low-income housing situation in the Town. He hopefully can place Bridgeville in the funding pipeline to help us in this problem.

President Mulvaney asked for department reports:

Alderman Court - In the absence of Alderwoman, Margaret Thompson, the Alderman's report was read by Mildred Pusey. 347 fines were processed in Alderman Court for August, 1982, and it seemed to be an especially good month for collecting old, past due fines. Mr. Gilefski moved to accept report as read, seconded by William Hartzell.

Water Dept. - Comm. Evans told the Board that he had been down to inspect the pumps. After installing a receiver switch all pumps are operating efficiently. He told the Board that all policemen had been instructed on

how to operate the pumps manually in case of an emergency. He said some water service needed to be replaced on Main St. but had not been down because the State will only allow Main St. to be opened by one utility at a time and Chesapeake Utilities had applied for a permit before the Town. There is also a leak on First St. that needs repairing. Comm. Evans told the Board that the billing being done has been most successful. He said his share of Revenue Sharing will be gotten at the necessary times and used appropriately.

Sewer Dept. - Comm. Gilefski said that the 201 Resolution will be held up until some corrections could be made. He said the Board would notice that August's bills to Robinson Chemical for peroxide and chlorine was over \$3,000.00. This was because Del Agra had switched products, especially beans. The peroxide is to ease the odor. Hopefully this will slow down. BOD's and Suspended Solids have been 80 or under. The Suspended Solids has been excellent. He told the Board he has registered for the Waste Water Treatment Course at D. T. C. C. if there are enough interested persons to hold the course. Roland is to attend also. Comm. Gilefski said that he, Bob and Clif had attended a meeting in Dover with DNREC and Clark Carbaugh of CABA Associates. He said it was suggested that money be included in the funding grant amendment for travel expenses to 2 spare irrigation sites. He said DNREC thinks Greenwood should be on our system. That they referred back to two reports - one in 1969 and one in 1970. Comm. Gilefski feels that Greenwood's problem is their problem. Our plant was paid for by our residents and is our plants. Comm. Gilefski doesn't feel DNREC should be able to tell us that we had to include Greenwood and also Greenwood has done nothing toward this goal since the 201 Facility Plan was initiated.

Police Report - Comm. Jones said traffic has slowed down considerably. In regards to speed August had the fastest speed per speeding ticket with 42 miles per hr the average. Mr. Jones said he had received a complaint from a resident who said that a lady on Walnut St. who was keeping old people was leaving them on her front porch all day apparently unattended. He wondered what the Board cared to do about this complaint. The Board felt that the complainant should contact Social Services. That it is not a problem that the Town should or could do anything about, but a letter will be written to Social Service asking them to check on the situation. Comm. Hartzell said he had a complaint for Comm. Jones. He said children were riding bicycles after dark without lights. He suggested that the police stop and take to them and tell them what could happen to them as he had almost hit one on a previous night. Chief Holloway said he had had other complaints. He said he was going to begin bicycle registration again and go by Title 21 as to what equipment is required on the bicycle. He said he would instruct his men to stop the child, get their name and warn them. If it happens again the parents will be notified. Comm. Jones said that he was going to advertise a 1976 Ford car for sale. He said Cannon Foods had called about the debris that was being thrown over their fence across from the pool-room and liquor store. After much discussion, it was decided to put trash cans in that area as a first step. Comm. Jones said that Mrs. Eva Littrell had talked to him about the manhole cover in front of their residence. Mr. Laverty is to look into this matter. Comm. Jones said there had been 1 accident, 34 complaints, 5 arrests, 2757 miles traveled, 278½ hrs. patrolled, 769½ hrs. worked 7 assists and 581.5 gals. of gas used; 447.5 by the police, 81.1 gals. by the sewer plant, 14.7 by the Town and 37.2 by the Town Mgr.

Street Report - Comm. Hartzell told the Board that he and Town Manager, Clif Laverty were working on a comprehensive street plan for the Town. He told the Board he felt there was a lot of unnecessary parking on Laws St.

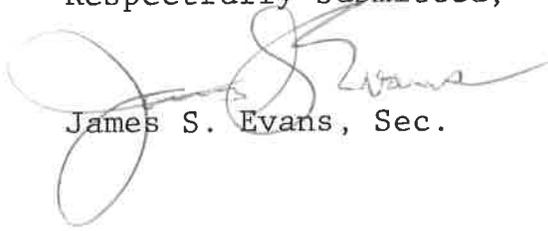
in the school area. He said that there was parking facilities on school property that was only 40% used. He said residents along the school block were getting tired of cleaning up their yards. He wanted this pursued to the fullest. He made a motion seconded by James Evans that the people running the produce stand on 404 not be charge a permit fee as they were there on a permanent basis and were not any different than anyother store. It was decided that from now on if a person gets a state permit and complies with the state's regulations that permit from the Town can be obtained without paying a fee. Comm. Hartzell said he was tired of seeing abandoned cars on the streets in Bridgeville. He asked the Chief of Police to make a list of abandoned cars, notify the owners that they have 30 days to remove the vehicles.

Town Mgr. Report - Town Mgr., Clif Laverty said that a man from the WIN Program would be coming to work at the Sewer Plant free from the Town's payroll. He said some necessary water repairs would begin in about 3 weeks and that a new hydrant had been installed at T. S. Smith's. Mr. Laverty said the Key Club of Woodbridge High had asked the Town to supply the paint to paint the cross walks at the schools. Comm. Hartzell told Mr. Laverty that the paint could be purchased out of his account. Comm. Gilefski said he would contact the Key Club to see when they wanted the paint and how much. Mr. Laverty said that he had one hold out in N. Bridgeville on the conemnation list. He told the Board that there was a sewer problem at Comm. Jone's house that had to be taken care of. He said he had one cut-off and 10 certified letters to go out for delinquent water bills. On the Block Grant Project he said work had begun about 2 weeks ago. Three clients have signed up already. He said 5 contractors had contacted him to date. Mr. Laverty said that on the 29th of Sept. a siminar will be held to explain rules and regulations to the contractors. The Board asked that local contractors be used if possible. He said Block Grant funds are available for housing rehabilitation.

Comm. Gielefski asked Mr. Laverty to see that the dead fire hydrant in front of the post office be replaced as soon as possible. Comm. Evans told Mr. Laverty to go ahead and have this done.

Comm. Jones moved to adjourn at 8:50 ~~4~~^P M. Commissioners to go into executive session.

Respectfully submitted,



James S. Evans, Sec.