

**Mayor & Council of Federalsburg
Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, July 5, 2016**

The Mayor & Council of Federalsburg held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 5, 2016 at 6 pm in the Mayor & Council Meeting Room, 118 N Main Street, Federalsburg, Maryland. Those in attendance were Mayor Planner and Councilmembers Bollinger, Phillips, Windsor and Morean. Also in attendance were Brynja Booth, Town Attorney, staff, citizens and media.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Planner who welcomed everyone and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Introduction of Newly Hired Code Enforcement Officer
John Garlick**

Shirley Greene introduced Mr. John Garlick, who is the new Code Enforcement Officer for the Town. Mr. Garlick has 15 years experience in Code Enforcement, Rental Housing Inspections, Property Maintenance Inspection and Building Inspections. Jeff has done a lot over the years and he looks forward to working with everyone to continue to cleanup the Town.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of five to zero appointing John Garlick as the Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Federalsburg.

Historical Moment - Donna Glime

Mrs. Donna Glime shared a historical moment about the first water system in Federalsburg. It came from a well located behind a house on North Main Street formerly known as the Eleanor Nichols Usilton house. Eventually, the Town purchased this well from the property owner.

Old Business

Log Embankment Project - Happy Mayer

Happy Mayer reported that Mr. Tim Geortemiller has begun building the pieces to repair the logs in the log embankment project. Stacy Ziegler from Duffield & Associates will be overseeing project to make sure everything is completed as agreed. Mr. Geortemiller should begin working on this project anytime.

Federalsburg Industrial Park Lighting Project Update - Happy Mayer

Happy Mayer reported that the Federalsburg Industrial Park lighting project is nearly complete. The new heads are being installed and we have retained the older fixtures to replace other broken or damaged fixtures that may need replacing in other areas.

Marshyhope Creek Dredging Project Update - Happy Mayer

Tim Geortemiller, Living Ecosystems will again be completing the Marshyhope Creek Dredging Project. Mr. Geortemiller has completed this project for the Town several times previously. He will be dredging the river to remove debris from the river that may cause problems for boaters. This project will most likely not be completed until the end of the year.

Austin Playground Pavilion Update - Happy Mayer

Happy Mayer reported that the shade pavilion at the Austin Park Playground was installed last week by Playground Specialists. Public Works has some cleanup work to complete and an asphalt walkway to install to complete the project.

Facade Program Application Decision - Stephen Parks, Jr.

Mr. Parks has submitted an application and he has retained the matching funds necessary for his share. Mr. Parks has all of his paperwork in order. Councilmember Phillips asked about the assessment for the property, Mr. Parks said the tax assessment is \$300,000.

Mr. Parks was asked about the time frame for completion of the work, and he stated that he it would be no problem to have done by the end of the year. A motion was made by Councilmember Phillips seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by a vote of five to zero to approve Mr. Parks request for a Facade Grant in the amount of \$35,000.

New Business

Ordinance No. 2016-03

The Mayor read Ordinance No. 2016-03 which authorizes the execution of a promissory note or notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$337,774.58 payable to Provident State Bank; said sum being borrowed to provide financing for the acquisition of one Police vehicle and related equipment, Police radios and related equipment, a utility truck and a dump truck.

Shirley Greene stated that because this is new financing we must hold a Public Hearing and she would like to schedule it at the next workshop. This financing is included in the budget, the Public Hearing is to secure the financing. A motion was made by Councilmember Bollinger seconded

by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of five to zero to schedule the Public Hearing for the July 18th workshop.

Resolution No. 2016-02

St. Martin's Barn Ministries - Letter of Support

St. Martin's Ministries has requested the support of the Mayor and Council to improve their Homeless Prevention outcomes. Tax Credits will be used to support the case management process for clients at Saint Martin's House, a transitional residence for homeless women and children, and for clients who seek to avoid eviction and utility shut-offs. Outcomes will also be improved by upgrades to the Ministries' IT platform, allowing for greater sharing of information about homelessness.

A motion was made by Councilmember Windsor seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by a vote of five to zero approving Resolution No. 2016-02 giving a Letter of Support to St. Martin's Barn for their Homeless Prevention program.

Caroline County Handout on Table

Committee Reports

Federalsburg Historical Society

Mrs. Donna Glime reported the following events for the Federalsburg Historical Society:

July 24th - Bingo fundraiser at the Federalsburg VFW doors open at 1 pm

August 4, 5, & 6 - Threshermans Show

Ms. Donna reported that Nathan Hoffman who is working on an Eagle Scout Project to benefit the Exeter. He is selling raffle tickets on a basket of crabs, sodas, gift certificate for wine and other items. Anyone interested in purchasing a ticket can get one from Ms. Debbie Regan.

Federalsburg Volunteer Fire Company

No report.

Federalsburg Lion's Club

Councilmember Morean thanked everyone for their support of the Duck Derby - it was a very good day. He also thanked Chief Nagel and the Police Department, and Steve Dyott and the Public Works Department, and everyone who helped out to make this event successful. The parade was also very nice, and they look forward to it being bigger and better next year.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Nothing to report.

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of five to zero approving the Minutes as presented.

Public Comments (2 Minutes)

Mrs. Judy Planner asked how the Mayor and Council feel about putting "In God We Trust" on our Police vehicles?

Councilmember Phillips stated that Hubbard Graphics in Seaford did Hurlock's vehicles. All Mayor and Councilmembers were in agreement with putting "In God We Trust" on Police, Public Works and Code vehicles. The cost would be covered by donations, Chief Nagel would handle the arrangements.

Mayor & Council Action Items

Windsor

None

Bollinger

None

Morean

None

Phillips

Councilmember Phillips asked if there was a new business in the former Northwest Fork building, he recently noticed an Open sign in the window. Shirley Greene stated that she would advise Code Enforcement and have him look into it.

Planner

Mayor Planner reported that himself, Councilmember Bollinger and Happy attended the MML Convention in Ocean City for three days. It was a very helpful and informative session. The Fall Conference will be in Solomon's Island.

Chief Nagel reported that there have been one or two people sleeping in the municipal parking lot in their vehicles. We have had issues in past with a camper in the parking lot but it is not against law to sleep in your car, he just wanted to make everyone aware.

Adjournment

Councilmember Windsor made a motion seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by vote of five to zero to close the regular meeting at 6:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy L. Marshall
Clerk-Treasurer