

TOWN OF SUDLERSVILLE

Commissioners Minutes

February 5, 2020

Present: President Ronald Ford
Commissioner David Ruffner
Commissioner Carrie Comegys
Commissioner Charles Leager
Commissioner Larry Leonard

Town Clerk: Crissy Talty

Attendance:

Jay Falstad, Brenda Stant, Ashley Lukaswicz , Brian DeMoss, Chris Stant , Amy Meisling, Faye Williams , Keith Griffith, Reese Coleman, Sue Elter, Fire Company, and reporter for Star Democrat

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting minutes: Commissioner Ruffner entered a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting, Commissioner Charles Leager seconded the motion, vote of 5–0 was entered.

Fire Company Report: Chief Stant stated there was a fire on Miller Street, they contained it and saved the dwelling. He reminded everyone to check smoke alarm batteries, and turn space heaters off when no one is home, and to shut bedroom doors. He stated if the door had not been shut the whole house would have likely burnt down.

Sheriff Department: No report given; Crissy was asked to make a phone call to inquire about this.

Library Report: Included in packet

MES Report: Included in packet.

Engineering Report: No report given.

Planning Commission: Sue Elter reported the planning commission met no changes to report, they reviewed and passed changes to the zoning chart, and had election of officers for the year.

Town Clerk Report: Included in packet.

Old Business:

- 1) SVFD receiving monthly water bill- Crissy sent bill out Friday.
- 2) Commissioner Rufner has been zoning administrator, he has been talking to trash company and they have been performing their duty, as long as this happens, we are satisfied with Chesapeake Waste.
- 3) Ordinance 2019-05 Charles Leager makes a motion to send to the planning commission with the text amendment for review and recommendation, second Dave Rufner a vote of 5-0 entered. Unanimous motion carried.

New Business:

- 1) **Amend contract with FSIA-** Dave Rufner motions to amend contract with FSIA as the commission is satisfied with the expansion, second by Carrie Comegys a vote of 5-0 is entered. Unanimous motion carried.
- 2) **Amend ordinance 2020-01-** To clarify and describe the uses that fall under the “Outdoor recreational facility, outdoor commercial amusement” categories. Charles Leager motions to send the amended ordinance to the planning commission for review and recommendation, second by Dave Rufner a vote of 5-0 entered. Unanimous motion carried.
- 3) **Heather Tinnelli-** Presentation for QA County dept of economic and tourism, she is the new director and would like to add events for the northern end of the county. Such as, balloon festival among other things to generate revenue.
- 4) **Request for solar power presentation-** Ron Ford and other commissioners agree we need to hear about it, Crissy will set it up.

Public Comment: Sue Elter was very upset with her water bill, she spoke to Ron Ford and found out there was an email sent from Jo. All the commissioners believed her and took her word about this, Jo states in the email Sue’s meter reading is multiplied by ten for a true reading. Sue went out and removed the top of her water meter and read it. She ran a test checking the number again after 2 hours the meter did not move, flushing the downstairs toilet reading the meter and the same with the upstairs. Adding the results and using the formula for what is charged the amount came out to what it should be not multiplied by ten. She feels as though Jo was annoyed that she questioned her math and proved her wrong and decided to take it out on her. She states this is a person of public trust and she uses it, it’s called malfeasance. We need an outside vendor or someone who doesn’t make up numbers to do the water bills. Ron Ford will call Neptune to find out the charges to have someone else trained to read the water meter.

Faye Williams asked why this has not been done till now, it has been since October Jo has been gone. Why is the town still paying her when they can have Crissy trained?

Tom Yeager insists that personnel matters are to be handled in close session.

A few other residents, Keith Griffin, Ashley Lukaswicz, agree and want to know the town just doesn’t ask resident to read the meters or have the rural development center come in.

Tom Yeager and Ron Ford both explain you must have a class five license to do WWTP and reading the meters is part of that.

Adjournment