**MINUTES**

**MONTHLY MEETING**

**OCTOBER 2, 2017**

**TOWN COUNCIL:** JOANNE BACON PRESIDENT

GREG WELCH VICE PRESIDENT

MARTY PRESLEY SEC/TREASURER

PAM DAVIS` COUNCILMAN

EDWARD (SKIP) ASH COUNCILMAN

**TOWN EMPLOYEES**: CHERYL LYNCH TOWN CLERK

**OTHERS:** JUSTIN TOMLINSON DUANE BECK

DAWN BECK PRISCILA SCHOOLFIELD

ROBERT MURRAY KATHY MURRAY

BARBARA KEYSER VELICIA MELSON

PAMELA ENSOR THOMAS ENSOR III

KERIN MAGILL CLARENCE QUILLEN

JERRY SMITH ROBBIE MURRAY

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY JOANNE BACON AT 7:08PM

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS**

SKIP MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND SECONDED BY PAM

MOTION WAS UNANIMOUS

**PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MARTY MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2017 MINUTES AND

WAS SECONDED BY SKIP

MOTION WAS UNANIMOUS

PAM MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

AND SECONDED BY GREG

MOTION WAS UNANIMOUS

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

MARTY NOTED WHAT GRANTS THE TOWN RECEIVES PER THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHICH IS

SALLIE/EIDE/VIOLENT CRIME/SUSSEX COUNTY GRANT/CJC GRANT

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**REPORTS OF TOWN DEPARTMENTS:**

**WATER DEPARTMENT**: CLARENCE NOTED THE TOWN PUMPED 2.0 MILLION GALLONS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. THE FLUORIDE HAS BEEN TURNED OFF UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO A PART

NOT WORKING CORRECTLY. THE FLUORIDE WAS SHOWING DIFFERENT READINGS.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**: TYLER BARE WHO IS THE TOWN’S PART TIME POLICE OFFICER. INFORMED THE

TOWN HE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH THE TOWN AS AN ADMINISTRATOR. TYLER HAS BEEN

COMPLETING THE CASES THAT WERE LEFT BY MARK HUDSON. TYLER WILL TAKE CARE OF GETTING

THE POLICE CARS UP AND RUNNING. THE TOWN GAVE BACK TO LESSO THE HUM-V WHICH WENT

TO THE TOWN OF LEWES ALONG WITH THE SAFETY GLASSES. TYLER WORKS FOR THE TOWN OF

FRANKFORD ON HIS DAYS OFF FROM THE TOWN OF DAGSBORO. TYLER USUALLY WORKS

TWO DAYS PER WEEK AT EIGHT HOURS A DAY.

MARTY NOTED TO THE TOWN RESIDENTS TYLER IS ONLY HERE TO ASSIST WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE

DUTIES. THE TOWN HAS THREE OPTIONS ON THE TABLE ONE IS TO UNIFY WITH DAGSBORO,

HIRE ANOTHER POLICE CHIEF OR HAVE DELAWARE STATE POLICE PATROL THE TOWN.

ROBBIE MURRAY NOTED THAT TYLER RECOGNIZED FOR THE AMERICAN HALL OF FAME FOR

BRAVERY. THIS WAS BASED ON THE INCIDENT AT ALL ABOARD KENNELS. TYLER NOTED THE

WORKER THAT WAS HURT IS DOING VERY WELL.

**TOWN CLERK:** CHERYL NOTED MAILED OUT INVOICES FOR THE WATER BILLS. I HAVE BEEN

WORKING HARD ON THE WATER DELINQUENCIES. DELINQUENT RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN

SETTING UP A PAYMENT PLAN. CHERYL NOTED THE PARKING LOT SHOULD BE STARTED

BY October 3rd or 4th.

**STREET MAINTENANCE**: SKIP NOTED THAT HIM AND DAVE CLEANED OUT SOME STORM DRAINS

AND THE PIPES FROM THE DRAIN TO THE DIDTCHES ARE JUST AS PLUGGED. SKIP NOTED HE TALKED

WITH DELDOT THEY WILL BE IN TOWN BY THE END OF OCTOBER 2017. SKIP TALKED WITH DNREC AND THE DITCH BY MR OLIVER’S THE FLOW IS GOING THE WRONG WAY.

THE ROAD AND POTHOLES ON REED STREET NEED WORK. JOANNE NOTED FOR CHERYL TO

CALL RICH COLLINS FOR ASSISTANCT ON REED STREET.

SKIP NOTED THE OVER HANG OF TREES ON REED STREET ONE BY ROBERT DAISEY AND THE OTHER

OVER HANG IS AT THE OTHER END OF HONOLULU RD

JOANNE NOTED COUNCIL NEEDS TO DISCUSS THE FRANKFORD/DAGSBORO UNIFICATION. IF THE COUNCIL DECIDES TO GO WITH DAGSBORO THE PROPERTY TAXES WOULD INCREASE IN ORDER

TO ASSIST WITH THE COST OF THE POLICEW DEPARTMENT.

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JERRY SMITH NOTED IF THE COUNCIL DECIDES TO HIRE A NEW OFFICER THEN THE COUNCIL

NEEDS TO LOOK AT WHAT DIDN’T WORK FOR THE TOWN ON THE PREVIOUS HIRING.

JERRY NOTED IF THE PROPERTY TAXES INCREASE 56% THIS WOULD BE A GREAT EXPENSE

TO A LOT OF RESIDENTS IN TOWN.

DEAN ESHAM NOTED THE TOWN OF MILLVILLE DOESN’T HAVE A POLICE DEPARTMENT THEY

CONTRACT WITH THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE. DEAN NOTED FOR COST AFFECTIVE REASONS

THE TOWN OF FRANKFORD SHOULD CONTRACT WITH THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE. INCREASING

THE PROPERTY TAXES AT FIFTY-SIX PERCENT IS EXTREME. YOU HAVE RESIDENTS IN TOWN THAT

CAN’T AFFORD THE INCREASE.

MR ENSOR NOTED HE HAS HAD TO CALL THE POLICE A NIGHT AND THE FRANKFORD TOWN POLICE NEVER CAME ONLY THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE.

MARTY NOTED GOING WITH DAGSBORO WE WOULD HAVE 20 TO 22 HOURS OF COVERAGE

EVERYDAY.

DEAN ESHAM NOTED TO JOANNE BACON HAD THE COUNCIL LOOKED INTO HIRING ANOTHER

POLICE OFFICER?

JOANNE NOTED THE TOWN OF DAGSBORO IS THE ONE THAT CONFRONTED FRANKFORD WITH THE IDEA OF UNIFICATION OF DEPARTMENTS. THE SECOND WOULD BE TO HIRE ANOTHER OFFICER AND THIRD

HIRING THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE.

VELICIA NOTED WHEN THE TOWN HELD THE FRANKFORD PUBLIC MEETING MARTY ASKED THE

QUESTION TO CHIEF TOOMEY COULD THERE BE AWAY THE TOWN COULD EASE INTO THIS

UNIFICATION.

MARTY NOTED THE TOWN OF DAGSBORO WOULD GET THE INCREASE IN OFFICERS.

DEAN ESHAM NOTED HE WOULD HIRE A FULL TIME OFFICER AND LATER HIRE A PART TIME BETWEEN THE TWO OFFICERS COULD COVER MORE OFTEN THE STREETS.

ROBBIE MURRAY NOTED THE TOWN DOESN’T NEED TO SPEND BEYND THEIR MEANS. THE TOWN CURRENTLY HAS APPROXIMATELY EIGHT TO TEN PERCENT OF THE RESIDENTS DELINQUENT

ON THEIR PROPERTY TAXES. IF THE TOWN INCREASES THE PROPERTY TAXES 56% THE DELINQUENCIES

WOULD INCREASE.

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JOANNE NOTED IN THE BUDGET THE FUNDS AREN’T THERE FOR THE TOWN TO JOIN THE

UNIFICATION WITH DAGSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

TRICK OR TREATING WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 31, 2017 BETWEEN 6:00PM TO 8:00PM

UPDATE ON MEETING WITH CHESAPEAKE PLUMBING AND HEATING

GREG NOTED MET WITH TRAVIS FROM CHESPEAKE PLUMBING AND CONSULTANTS.

TRAVIS IS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING WATER AND ANNEX INTO TOWN. TRAVIS PURCHASED

PROPERTY ON DELAWARE AVENUE AND WILL BE BUILDING THREE WAREHOUSES WHICH WILL

BRING BUSINESSES TO THE TOWN OF FRANKFORD.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND REPORTS:

ROBBIE NOTED THE FALL FESTIVAL WILL BE OCTOBER 28, 2017. THE COSTUME CONTEST WILL

START 11:00AM. THE PARADE WILL START AT 11:30AM AND 12:00PM TO 4:00PM THE FALL FESTIVAL

BEGINS AT THE PARK.

ROBBIE NOTED CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK WILL BE NOVEMBER 25, 2017. THE PARK WILL BE OPENED ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TO ME MR AND MS CLAUS. ENVISION OF FRANKFORD IS LOOKING FOR A

CORPORATE SPONSOR FOR A 20 TO 24 FOOT CHRISTMAS TREE. THE PARK WILL BE CLOSED

NOVEMBER 11,2 017 THROUGH JANUARY 8, 2018.

THE NEXT ENVISION OF FRANKFORD MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 18, 2017.

CITIZENS PRIVILEGE: DUANE BECK WANTED TO KNOW WHY THE TOWN INSTALLED A NEW FENCE

THE TOWN NOTED NEEDED A NEW FENCE AND IF WE NEED TO HAVE WORK ON THE WATER

TOWER, YOU CAN GET INTO THE FENCE LINE.

MARTY NOTED THE TOWN WAS ABLE TO GET A GRANT FOR THE FENCE.

DUANE BECK NOTED WANTED TO KNOW WHERE WAS THE COUNCIL ON THE SELLING

OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

JOANNE NOTED WAITING ON CERTAIN ISSUES TO BE RESOLVED.

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**ADJOURN:**

MARTY MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:53PM AND SECONDED BY

SKIP

MOTION WAS UNANIMOUS

RESPECTFULLY,

CHERYL A LYNCH

TOWN CLERK