WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3, 2016 TOWN OF FREDERICA MEETING MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Glanden called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Council member Rager led the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Chick Glanden – present

Council Members – Poncho Davila – present

Amanda Hudson – present

Pete Rager – present

Virginia Simpler – present

Town Solicitor – William Pepper - present

**READING AND APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES:**

Council member Simpler made a motion with a second by Council member Davila to accept the hearing minutes of July 20, 2016. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**WATER REPORT/CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT/TREASURER’SREPORT/POLICE REPORT**

Council member Simpler made a motion with a second by Council member Davila to accept the police report as submitted. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Council member Simpler made a motion with a second by Council member Davila to accept the code enforcement report as submitted. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:**

**BUILDING PERMITS: None**

Mandy advised the council she had guests staying in her camper for a couple of weeks .

7:12 Council member Rager took over the meeting due to an ambulance alarm. Mayor Glanden returned to the meeting at 7:15.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Council member Rager made a motion with a second by Council member Davila to approve the repairs needed for Well #3. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Robert Green and Natasha Maull appeared to appeal the imposition of cleanup costs for the property at 32 Front Street. Robert Green testified that they cleaned up the property following a storm and he piled brush behind some evergreen trees. He testified that the pile could not be seen from the street. Randy Speicher testified that a police officer asked him to do an inspection of the property. He found violations inside the house and the pile of brush outside. He took photographs. The brush was visible from the sidewalk. Speicher testified that he sent the owner a letter via certified mail on December 9, 2015, regarding the brush pile. The letter was returned unclaimed. Speicher presented the letter, photographs and mailing information to Council.

The property owners also appealed the vacant building fine. They acknowledged that the house has been unoccupied for some time. They made the decision to sell the property more than a year ago after realizing that their efforts to maintain the property became difficult. It took more than a year to prepare the property for listing. The property was listed on July 1, 2016.

Council member Hudson moved to deny the fine and clean up charge the property owners appealed. The motion was seconded by Council member Simpler and passed unanimously.

Council member Hudson moved to offer a credit for the time period from water shut off date to March 31, 2016. The motion was seconded by Council member Simpler and passes unanimously.

First reading of Ordinance 16-04. A motion was made by Council member Rager and a second by Council member Simpler to approve the reading of the ordinance. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING:**

No issues but they would like to get a microwave.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**OPEN FLOOR:**

Mayor Glanden advised those present that the Erb/Sloan property at the end of South Market Street had been sold.

With no other business to discuss a motion was made by Council member Rager with a second by Council member Simpler to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM

Respectfully submitted

Pete Rager, Secretary