

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 16th 2022

TOWN OF FREDERICA

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Secretary Rager led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Glanden asked Secretary Rager for a roll call.

Mayor: Chick Glanden - present

Secretary: Pete Rager – present

Councilmembers: Ricky Maddox- present

Virginia Simpler – present via Zoom

Connie Summers- present

Town Solicitor: Dianna Stuart –present

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES:

Councilmember Maddox made a motion with a second by Councilmember Summers to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on February 2, 2022. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Councilmember Maddox made a motion with a second by Councilmember Simpler to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing for ord. 22-01 on February 2, 2022. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Councilmember Simpler presented the treasurer’s report.

<u>December 2021</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
General Fund	\$314,658.08	\$304,301.68
Special Water	\$114,318.40	\$105,311.69
Police Dept	\$347,807.77	\$345,617.46
Street Aid	\$ 17,481.77	\$ 17,479.77

Delinquent monies owed:

Trash- \$4,594.75 Grass cutting- \$1,962.16
Water- \$12,151.06 Property Maint.- \$2,927.94

Property Taxes- \$9,873.75
Fines- \$150.00
Vacant building fines- \$0.00

Rental Property License- \$20,925.00
Other Fees- \$511.35
Court Costs- \$993.50

Total monies owed to the Town: \$ 54,089.51

Councilmember Maddox made a motion with a second by Councilmember Summers to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

WATER DEPT. / TREASURER'S / POLICE / CODE ENF. REPORT:

WATER / CODE DEPT: No reports

PLANNING COMMISION: Phil Green reported that there were no permits.

NEW BUSINESS:

Assessment Appeal: Terrenna Brown asked for a reduction of her rental fines and fees that she said were due to a property she reported as sold to two different buyers on two occasions. Dustan Russum was aware that she had verbally reported the sale, but Ms. Brown did not provide documentation of the sale as requested by Dustan. After a brief discussion, Councilmember Rager made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Maddox to deny the reduction of rental fines and fees. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS: Dianna Stuart reported that although Eric Buckson was working on the new tank site, it seemed unlikely that the State was going to approve it. She also felt that we should look for a secondary property for the new water tower. She suggested adding uses to the LDO and was drafting an article to the rental property section of the Code to add short term rentals, limiting parking and tenant capacity for review at possibly the next meeting. It was also reported that 3rd party inspectors will be handling the short term and commercial Rental properties.

OPEN FLOOR: Amanda Jester asked about the time frame for the Front St. water main project. Dustan Russum and Mayor Glanden reported that they were waiting on meter pits and curb stops, and that construction would continue as soon as the weather cooperated. Also, part of the delay is dealing with old water mains that should have been removed in 1993.

Brian Hill founder of the car club Higher Standards asked about having an Easter Egg hunt at the Town Park. The tentative event would be held on April 16th and be open to the community if approved. Approval would be contingent upon him obtaining insurance coverage for the event. He was urged by all to submit the request, and all agreed that it sounded like a great event for the Park.

It was reported that Family Fun day will be held June 11th 2022.

TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No executive session

Adjournment:

Councilmember Maddox made a motion with a second by Councilmember Summers to adjourn.
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Glanden closed the meeting at 7:44

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Pete Rager