

**WEDNESDAY MAY 4<sup>th</sup> 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	Peter Rager – Present
Councilmembers:	Ricky Maddox- present
	Virginia Simpler – present
	Connie Summers- present
Town Solicitor:	Dianna Stuart –present
Engineer:	Dan Barbato – present online

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

Councilmember Maddox made a motion with a second by Councilmember Summers to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 20, 2022. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**WATER DEPT. / TREASURER’S / POLICE / CODE ENF. REPORT:**

Councilmember Maddox made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Simpler to approve the April Police report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**CODE / WATER REPORT:** Dustan Russum reported that the water main project is wrapping up hopefully by Friday. Working on Code violations on Front St. to Hoey Ave. areas. The new code violation system is working well reporting the violations with pictures to Alice Green and Jim Morris. Mailing certified letters out with approx. 6 left to do and past due properties will be scheduled for munitions sale in October. Dustan also reported that the Water St water tower painting contract came in at \$90,000.00 and has been approved to use ARPA funds to pay for it. After a discussion on the use of ARPA money for the contract, Solicitor Stuart said that the matter would have to be on next meeting agenda to approve the contract for painting the Tower. Dustan also reported that the grant paperwork for the Town Park has been completed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maddox that was seconded by Councilmember Summers to approve the Code / Water report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Councilmember Simpler presented the treasurer’s report. March 2022

Beginning Balance

Ending Balance

General Fund	\$ 380,011.23	\$ 342,343.69
Special Water	\$ 151,519.20	\$ 142,869.72
Police Dept	\$ 348,220.60	\$ 344,373.59
Street Aid	\$ 14,114.08	\$ 12,388.25

Delinquent monies owed:

Trash- \$ 1,351.93	Grass cutting- \$ 762.16
Water- \$ 9,461.59	Property Maint.- \$ 2,365.66
Property Taxes- \$ 37,687.92	Rental Property License- \$ 0
Fines- \$ 50.00	Other Fees- \$ 242.82
Vacant building fines- \$0.00	Court Costs- \$1,092.85

Total monies owed the Town: \$53,014.93

Councilmember Maddox made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Summers to approve the April Treasurers report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Mandy Slody presented the following permits:

108 Waterway DR – Roy and Barbara Robinson to extend their front porch.

Councilmember Rager made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Summers to approve the permit. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4 East David St- David Keiper for new siding.

Councilmember Maddox made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Summers to approve the permit. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4 Hillside Ave- Replacing an existing double wide.

Councilmember Maddox made a motion that was seconded by Councilmember Simpler to approve the permit with required footing, foundation and sidewalks. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE 22-04: LDO revision for Town Center**

Councilmember Rager read the Synopsis for Ordinance 22-04. A motion was made by Councilmember Rager and seconded by Councilmember Maddox to approve the First reading of Ord. 22-04 with the addition of onsite parking being required. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**2023 Town Budgets:** After a review of the proposed budgets for the Town Hall, Police and Water Dept a motion was made by Councilmember Maddox that was seconded by Councilmember Simpler to approve the 2023 budgets. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Tax increase / Full time Police dept:** After a discussion on the Tax increase and full time police dept it was decided to have another workshop on the matter 5/18/2022. It was noted that there were no attendees at the first workshop on the Tax increase / Full time Police dept. Councilmember Maddox asked to have his opposition noted on deciding this matter without more time. Mayor Glanden said that he would have multiple workshops on the matter but also stated that no one attended the first one. Councilmember Maddox asked how much revenue would be generated on the proposed .25 per \$100 increase. Mayor Glanden replied that it would be around \$35,000.00.

A motion was made that was seconded by Councilmember Simpler to table the full Time officer / Tax increase. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Councilmember Simpler asked to be excused at 7:56.

**OPEN FLOOR:** No comments

**TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS:** Mayor Glanden reported that the water main project is wrapping up and will hopefully be done soon.

Councilmember Rager reported that the Frederica Vol Fire Co, that he and Mayor Glanden are members, will be celebrating their 90 anniversary and asked if we could possibly combine the event with our scheduled Frederica Day. All in attendance thought it would be a good idea and possibly increase our attendance of Frederica Day.

Solicitor Stuart said that she is having problems getting our resolution presented. Dustan Russum and Mayor Glanden said that they will contact Sen Postles and ask for his help in the matter.

Councilmember Rager asked again if it would be ok to propose to Fire Company that we combine the 90<sup>th</sup> celebration with Frederica Day. All in attendance thought it would benefit all concerned.

Mandy Slody reported that there was a complaint about late construction at 118 Front St. Dustan said that he would stop by and have a talk with them

Councilmember Rager felt we should have the same company that installed the park cameras get us a price for the Town Hall and Police station security cameras. He asked to have it added to the next agenda.

**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 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Pete Rager