

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4, 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:	William "Chick" Glanden	Present
Secretary:	Pete Rager	Present
Councilmembers:	Ricky Maddox	Present
	Virginia Simpler	Present
	Connie Summers	Present
Town Solicitor:	Dianne Stuart	Present

READING AND APPROVING OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES:

Councilmember Maddox made motion with a second by Councilmember Simpler to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on December 21, 2022, motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT/ CODE ENFORCEMENT/ WATER REPORT:

WATER / CODE REPORT: Dustan reported that Mels Wells had pulled the pump at Fifth St wellhouse and will send camera down to inspect the well casing. He also reported that the Purnell property has been cleaned up, he has received calls about the clean up at the Asbury Square property and after checking with DNREC he was told they are fine cleaning up the property. Dustan also said that they are working with a resident on Lowber St trying to come to an agreement after they installed fencing on Town property and that they have started on rental inspections.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rager and seconded by councilmember Maddox to approve the water/code report. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: No report

PLANNING COMMITTEE: No permits Marie Shaw did report that they have agreed to move the Planning meetings to Tuesdays at 7pm.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Town Elections – Mayor Glanden announced elections will be held on March 4<sup>th</sup>. There are 3 seats up for elections. Letters of intent must be received by the Town Clerk by close of business January 31.

Pole Barn- Dustan presented estimates for a Pole building to be installed on Frederica Rd yard. Two quotes were presented one from Green Diamond and one from Delmarva Pole buildings. Dustan also said that the building will be paid for with approved ARPA funds.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rager and seconded by councilmember Simpler to approve the purchase of the \$77,736.00 building. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Dustan also said that Sunnyfield Contractors had cleared the brush around Well 4 and presented an estimate from Forrest Fence for \$2,040.00 to replace the fencing.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rager and seconded by councilmember Maddox to approve Forrest Fence replacing the fence for \$2,040.00. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion to hire a full-time police officer- Mayor Glanden reported that Brian O’Hearn had accepted the Full-time position. Solicitor Dianna Stuart will review and update employment contract and have it ready to present to Office O’Hearn. After a brief discussion Mayor Glanden also said that he will advertise for the part time position.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maddox and seconded by councilmember Summers to approve the offering Officer O’Hearn the full-time position. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS: None

## OPEN FLOOR:

Marie Shaw said that the Town should dictate the Police schedule not letting them work when they want to. She also reported that she thought people were hunting in the Creek to close to her house to DNREC Fish and Game and they didn’t respond. Councilmember Rager said that hunting within 100 yds from a dwelling is illegal per posted Delaware game laws and that the Town does not own or enforce the tidal waterways around the Town.

## TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Simpler wished everyone a Safe and Happy New Years.

Councilmember Simpler made a motion with a second by Councilmember Maddox to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07

Respectfully submitted

Pete Rager

Secretary