## **TOWN OF**

## FREDERICA

# MEETING MINUTES FOR GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING May 21, 2025

Call to Order: 7:00 PMPledge of Allegiance

• Roll Call

Mayor Chick Glanden Present
Councilman Alex Donovan Present
Councilwoman Megan McIlvain Present
Councilman Bret Carpenter Present
Councilwoman Virginia Simpler Present

• A Public Hearing was opened for Ordinance 25-08 "An Ordinance Regarding Fences".

Dennis Hudson asked if the town would provide any financial aid for fence repair for disadvantaged persons.

Dustan Russum, and Mayor Glanden responded with "no"

- Without Further comment the Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 PM
- A motion was made and carried unanimously to accept the Minutes from the previous meeting in written form.
- A motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report as it appears in written form.

• Planning Commission was absent - No Report.

## **New Business**

- Ordinance 25-08 "An Ordinance Regarding Fences" was introduced for its second reading, and called to a vote. It passed by unanimous majority of the Council.
- Ordinance 25-09 "An Ordinance Regarding Water Rates" was introduced for it's First Reading by Dustan Russum. Dustan provided an explanation of the financial reasons behind the proposed change.
- Council unanimously voted to approve the first reading of Ordinance 25-09.
- A presentation was given by a representative of the "Solar on Earth" Company" regarding potential savings to the towns Electricity bills. Noteworthy points included;

Only Delmarva Power customers are eligible

Only Small General Services are Eligible, of which the town has three.

Streetlights, and larger services are ineligible.

The program offers a credit-offset to electricity bills up to 10 Percent.

- The Council voted to table any further action on the "Solar Savings Discussion" pending a tentative contract be produced for review.
- The Council approved an Expense in the amount of \$6500.00 for Mulch Replacement in the Park.
- Discussion was briefly undertaken regarding proposed changes to the Town Charter. It was agreed that all all Council members should examine the Charter and send a list of any suggested changes to Alice Green to be compiled into one master-list for review.
- A motion was made, and the Council unanimously voted to table the Charter change discussion, and move it to Old Business.

### **Old Business**

- Dustan Russum briefly explained the intentions of Derek Pinkstaff to install a Pickle Ball Court in the Town Park. No action was taken. Derek Pinkstaff was not present to speak.
- The 25/26 Town budget package was brought up for vote. during discussion Councilwoman Megan McIlvain questioned about opening a "Budget Committee for further evaluation. Councilwoman Simpler responded that the deadline for approving the budget was tonight. When Called to a vote the following resulted:

Councilman Alex Donovan Yea Councilwoman Megan McIlvain No Councilman Bret Carpenter Yea Councilwoman Virginia Simpler Yea

The proposed Town Budget passed 3/1.

- Grayway Developers Annexation proposal was further postponed due to lack of documentation from Delmarva Power.
- Open Floor-Nothing Substantiative
- An Executive Session was called at 7:58 PM

alexander Donovan

Topics Discussed: Pending Litigation / Personnel Matters

- The Council returned to Regular Session at 8:18 PM.
- The Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, (Secretary, Town of Frederica)