

TOWN OF
FREDERICA

**PUBLIC HEARING
AND
GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING
May 20, 2026**

- Call to Order: 7:00 PM
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call

Mayor	Chick Glanden	Present
Councilman	Alex Donovan	Present
Councilwoman	Megan McIlvain	Present
Councilman	Bret Carpenter	Present
Councilwoman	Marie Shaw	Present
Town Solicitor	Dianna Stuart	Absent

- A public hearing was opened for Ordinance 26-03 (*an Ordinance establishing a municipal utility infrastructure tax*) and Ordinance 26-04 (*an Ordinance amending Chapter 180 relating to penalties for work commenced without permits*).
 - One unnamed lady questioned the rate of the proposed Utility Infrastructure Tax, and later also questioned when Ordinance 26-04 would enact. She further questioned if the scope of Ordinance 26-04 would be retroactive.

- With no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 7:03 p.m. and the General Council Meeting began.
- A motion was made and carried unanimously to accept the minutes from the previous meeting in written form.
- Dustan Russum presented the Water, Code Enforcement, and Police Reports, notable points were as follows:
 - The process of attaining more funding for the Jackson Street Water Main Project is contingent on the town providing additional information to the reviewing authority.
 - The plans for the proposed water main extension and new water tower have to be submitted to several state level committees for approval before any further action can be pursued on them.
 - Pertaining to code enforcement, several grass violations were cited, and the town cut five lots in response.
 - Pertaining to Police matters, our consultant Felton Police Chief Guild is preliminarily lining up equipment and training for our newest part-time police officer candidate, in order to reduce the delay period between swear-in and start of service.
- A motion was made and carried unanimously to accept the Water, Code Enforcement, and Police Reports.
- The Planning Commission/Planning Review Committee presented the plans for the new proposed 7-Eleven. It was noted that Penoni Engineering had fully reviewed the site plan, and considered it fit for approval. Marie Shaw pointed out a concern with the placement of a bicycle rack near oncoming traffic. Council moved unanimously to approve the site plan presented by 7-Eleven as shown, excepting that the bicycle rack be moved to a different location and a set of protective concrete ballards be installed; as well as the issuance of the County Sewer Permit.

- The Planning Commission also presented a revised fence permit for 7/11 Market St. (*Completely independent of the 7-Eleven Fuel Station Project*) Council voted unanimously to approve the revised fence permit.

OPEN FLOOR

- Adam D'alessandro spoke regarding his project at 7/11 Market St. He inquired about obtaining a large water service tap for his required sprinkler systems while the road was being disrupted for the water main replacement.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ordinance 26-03 (*an Ordinance establishing a municipal utility infrastructure tax*) was brought to a vote and unanimously approved by Council.
- Ordinance 26-04 (*an Ordinance amending Chapter 180 relating to penalties for work commenced without permits*) was brought to a vote and unanimously approved by Council.
- Resolution 26-R-2 (*a Resolution seeking support from the General Assembly to amend the Town Charter*) was called to a vote and unanimously passed by Council.
- Resolution 26-R-3 (*a Resolution pertaining to truck traffic on Front & David St.*) was called to a vote and unanimously passed by Council.
- Resolution 26-R-4 (*a Resolution pertaining to the speed limit on Frederica Rd.*) was called to a vote and unanimously passed by Council.
- A discussion was opened regarding the security cameras in the Town Park. It was suggested that our existing security vendor Pye-Barker be used to outfit fresh cameras in the Town Park. A bid was reviewed, and the placement of an additional camera was suggested. Council moved unanimously to table to matter

pending an updated quote with the additional camera.

OLD BUSINESS

- A singular bid was received for the proposed renovations to the interior of the Police Station to make it compliant with the new accreditation standards. The sole bidder was Green Diamond Builders LCC with a bid of \$55,588.00. In lieu of this exact amount, council moved to approve the bid, and any additional expenses that may be incurred (*as is typical when working on old buildings*) up to an aggregate amount of \$65,000.00.
- The contract agreement presented by Blue Standard AMP LLC for maintenance of the deep legal jungle surrounding police accreditation, was presented. After a clarification on a question regarding rate of pay that was answered by phone, Council moved unanimously to approve this Service Agreement.
- The proposed Town budget for 26/27 was presented by Town Treasurer Megan McIlvain. After a period of discussion, Council (Excluding Megan) voted to approve this budget.
- At 8:34 PM Council moved unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

A handwritten signature in dark blue ink that reads "Alexander Donovan". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letter of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Respectfully Submitted,
(*Secretary, Town of Frederica*)