

Town of Bowers  
3308 Main Street  
Bowers Beach  
Frederica, DE 19946

Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on March 13, 2014 by Mayor Ron Hunsicker.

Council members in attendance were: Shirley Pennington, Bob McDevitt, Helena Hannah, and Ada Carter.

The pledge of allegiance was recited in unison.

Total number in attendance was a total of 12.

Minutes for the September meeting were read by the Secretary. A motion was made by Bob, seconded by Ada to approve the minutes. M/c.

Treasurers Report was read by Helena. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report by Shirley, seconded by Ada. M/c.

Voter Registration was available for anyone who hasn't registered yet.

Gary Hilderbrand from the Department of Elections came to discuss the rules and regulations regarding our upcoming election in August. The law requires that a voting machine be used. We also have to enter into an agreement with the department of elections. We must have a Board of Elections consisting of 3 or more people. They will take and handle complaints or issues that arise. We will need to have someone to run the machine and someone to check in voters.

There is a checklist of things that need to be done and a timeline to follow prior to the election. A motion was made by Ada, seconded by Helena to give Mayor Ron the authority to sign the statement of understanding for Municipal Elections. M/c.

Committee Reports:

Parks and Recreation - Jeff reported that tree trimming will soon be taking place.

Grants - Mayor Ron and Bob went to a workshop. There is money available and we may be able to do something with Hubbard Avenue.

Code Enforcement - Demo permit for the Sullivan house.

Questions were asked about the Miller house beside the firehouse. There was a discussion on the floor concerning abandoned buildings, houses, etc.

Old Business:

Loan - We need to get a project engineer on board. Bonnie and Rich Oliver are asking for project coordinators. Pete Russo will handle the sea wall. Kyle will handle another project.

Others are needed as well. A motion was made by Shirley, seconded by Bob to give authority to Bonnie Oliver to solicit for an Engineer for the projects. M/c.

Town Website - Should be on-line in March.

University of DE - Last meeting was good and a lot has been accomplished. It is good to see progress.

CAV Update - Ada gave an update on the list of 24 properties. She has a conference call tomorrow or next week. Hopefully four more will be removed from the list. The town will send a letter to the properties that are remaining on the list after that. There was a discussion on the floor pertaining to the matter.

New Business:

Barrett Edwards was present to discuss the flood ordinance. Changes that he felt should be made were discussed. There are some changes that Barrett agrees with and some that he does not. There will be a conference call with Rebecca Quinn to address concerns about some of the changes that we do not agree with. Some of those changes we disagree with include new construction, substantial improvements, violations, permits, and variance procedures. We will have the conference call and see what can be resolved.

Town Cleanup will be on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made to give \$1000.00 from the town toward the Buccaneer Bash by Mayor Ron, seconded by Bob. M/c

A motion was made by Shirley, Seconded by Helena to purchase 2 additional kiosks for the town.

Judy met with the Delaware Bayshore Stewards. This will be a group that will tell people who come to our town about the birds, beach, etc. This is in the works and she will report anything new that comes about at future meetings.

Open Discussion:

There was nothing further from council.

There was nothing further from the floor.

There being no further business a motion was made by Shirley, seconded <sup>by</sup> Bob to adjourn the meeting @8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shirley A. Pennington  
Secretary, Town of Bowers Beach