

**Town of Bowers
3308 Main St.
Bowers Beach
Frederica, DE 19946**

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, February 11, 2016, by Vice Mayor Ada Puzzo.

Council Members present were: Ada Puzzo, Helena Hannah, Diane Yeisley and Bob McDevitt.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

The minutes from the December 10th meeting were read. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to accept the minutes as read.

The treasurer's report was read. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to accept the report as read.

Voter registration was available for all who have not yet registered.

Committees:

Board of Adjustment: No additional information regarding hearing on 36 Mulberry at this time.

Parks and Rec: Jeff is moving out of town in March which creates the need for a new Parks Commissioner. Interested persons should contact Bob.

Streets: Plowing was handled in a timely manner this past winter. Resurfacing of some streets needs to be considered in the very near future.

OLD BUSINESS

Comcast Agreement: Council has been advised by Barrett that we have no choice but to sign this agreement or enter into what could possibly be very expensive litigation with Comcast. If no vote is taken at this meeting, it will go to hearing and the town will incur legal expenses. A motion was made, seconded and council voted unanimously to sign the agreement.

CAV Update: A meeting is being planned for FEMA, DNREC and the county come together to review the town processes. Earliest date would probably be sometime in April. Ada will let the town know if it is a public session.

Kent County All Hazard Mitigation: A resolution was read regarding the town participation in this Hazard Mitigation Plan. A motion was made, seconded and council voted unanimously to sign this resolution.

Beach Replenishment and Jetty Work: The jetty is complete and effort must now be concentrated on making sure that Bowers Beach remains high on DNREC's list of areas that need the beach replenished. Bob, Kyle, David, Herb and Kristen volunteered to form a committee responsible for keeping awareness of the importance of this work high on the state's agenda. This committee will be led by Bob. Kristen has been in contact with DNREC regarding replanting of beach grass once the dune is rebuilt. Homeowners interested in obtaining aid with planting beach grass from the state should contact her for more information.

Drainage Project: The previous committee is now defunct. A new committee was formed and council approved Mark as chairman. Committee responsibilities will be defined and financial timelines reiterated for completion of the project.

Open Mayor Seat: Still no response. The Vice Mayor and Secretary terms are expiring in August.

NEW BUSINESS

The schedule for museum activities for 2016 is coming together.

A fund raising Spaghetti Dinner will be held Feb. 20 at the fire hall

Bowling for the Museum will be taking place March 16 at Milford Lanes

The Pirate Festival will be held on Memorial Day Weekend

A summer lecture series is being planned

Show & Shine Jeep Show is scheduled for July

A lecture is being held in July at the Kent County Library regarding the history of the town

Big Thursday will be held October 16

DNREC is holding a Living Shoreline meeting in mid-march

The Trash removal contract ends March 31. Bob will research other options in an effort to provide some competition for Waste Management.

Council would like to make a matter of public record their appreciation to the fire company and their water rescue team for all the help they provided to our residents during the January flooding. Fire company volunteers were extremely helpful to our residents in need and their efforts went far in making a bad situation a bit more bearable.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane K. Yeisley

Secretary for the Town of Bowers Beach