

Town of Bowers  
3231 Main Street  
Bowers Beach  
Frederica, DE 19946

A Public Hearing was called to order at 6:31 pm with the topic being Past Zoning Changes. The hearing was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on October 9, 2008.

Council members in attendance were: Ron Hunsicker, William "Frenchie" Poulin, Wendell Kinney, and Shirley Pennington with Mike R. representing council.

There was a sign in book passed around for those in attendance to sign in and also provide their e-mail address so that the mayor can send out mass e-mails about issues concerning the town.

Briefly touched on the hearing that took place prior to the regular town meeting. With there being no discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Frenchie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirley to adopt the changes.

A letter was submitted by Janet Feague to resign from town council. Ron read the letter and then a motion was made by Wendell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frenchie to accept the resignation. A motion was then made by Wendell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frenchie to move the Assistant Treasurer, Carl Fultz, into the position of Treasurer. Carl was then sworn in as Treasurer.

Reading of the minutes by Shirley Pennington. Motion was made by Frenchie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendell to accept the minutes as read.

Treasurer's report was read by Frenchie. Motion was made by Wendell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl to accept the report as read.

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

### Committee Reports:

Community Emergency Alert - Chief Pennington talked about the reverse call that went out for the last storm. He addressed any concerns about the storm.

Parks and Recreation - the equipment that is in the park needs to be replaced, it will cost \$ 2,527.29. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Shirley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendell to bring the park equipment and grounds up to date. Once it is restored it will be maintained. The community picnic will be held Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> and to date there are 25 to 30 committed people. There will also be a band that will play at the function.

Budget - We now need a new chairperson for this committee since Carl accepted the position of Treasurer. The new chairperson will also be the new Assistant Treasurer as well.

Streets - Frenchie has not yet contacted officials to ask for money for the street improvements. South Flack is in the worst shape and should be addressed first.

### Old Business:

Beach fires and fire permitting - Chief Pennington said that this issue should be tabled until we are able to have enforcement.

Cleanup of Buildings and Vehicles - No ordinances have been broken to complain about at house on the corner of Hubbard and Main. If someone in town wishes to file a complaint with the county they can feel free to do so.

Fragmitis Grant - We need to start now in order to get this grant for the spring. Frenchie is to call the representative and have him attend the November meeting to discuss this topic.

Liberto Property - Ron updated us on the events that have taken place on this property. The owner is still collecting information and will attend a meeting when he has some issues resolved.

Drainage on Bayshore Drive - They are ready to blow out the lines. The Bowers Fire Company will have this done by next meeting per Chief Pennington.

Weeds - Wendell cut down the weeds on the property that had been complained about. A bill will be submitted for that.

Lights - It was a no go with the Coast Guard. Ray will get a price on lights for the sign as well as lights for the flag.

Mitigation Workshop - Ron discussed the workshop that he attended. Our best bet is to rely on our State Representatives.

Admiral Holdings - Talked about the owner wanting to be released from the maintenance bond. Ron read excerpts from a letter that was written by his attorney. A special meeting was requested but denied. Ron talked with Mr. Hill and he will not pursue legal action at this point, but would like to talk with council at a later point in time.

New Business:

2009 Big Thursday Celebration - The Museum would like for the town to help with next year's festivities, the amount of \$500.00 was suggested. A motion was made by Carl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirley to give the museum \$500.00 toward the 2009 big Thursday celebration.

Beach Replenishment - A consultant will be at the firehouse October 25<sup>th</sup> @ 8am to speak with the town. All are welcome to attend. The main focus will be to replace the dunes. This has been in process since 2004 and now we are told that it may take until 2009 or 2010 before the effort is completed.

Ron read a letter written to Tom Carper that he wrote concerning dredging that needs to be done. Carper's office called within 24 hours of receiving the letter and assured us that they would be getting involved to help.

Ron received a donation letter from the Bowers Fire Company. A motion was made by Wendell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirley to donate \$ 500.00 to them as well.

The Bowers Ladies Auxiliary is holding the annual Children's Halloween Party and Costume Contest on October 31<sup>st</sup>. A motion was made by Wendell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirley to give them \$ 50.00 to help with the event.

Motion was made by Carl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendell to adjourn meeting @ 8:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley A. Pennington  
Secretary for the  
Town of Bowers Beach