



## Town Council Minutes 39 W. Main Street

July 11, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of New Market was held July 11, 2013 in the Town Hall, 39 West Main Street, New Market, MD, with Mayor Winslow Burhans presiding. Members of the Council present were Jake Romanell, Michael Davies, and Shane Rossman. Dennis Kimble and Rita Mueller were absent.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Decision:** Councilmember Romanell made a motion to approve the minutes of June 12, as written.

**Second:** Councilmember Rossman

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** **For** – 3 (Rossman, Romanell, Davies) **Against** – 0. **Abstain** – 0  
The motion passed.

### **Mayor & Liaison Reports:**

**Councilman Rossman:** LGIT has supplied the insurance certificate that is needed for Second Sunday. SHA will be holding a meeting for residents and concerned parties at the Fire Hall on Tuesday, August 13. The meeting will be from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. They will be going over all of the phases of the project. They will send out about 650 email invitations to the meeting. SHA requires a deed to the park entrance in order to make it ADA compliant and they need a copy of the sidewalk ordinance that we passed that granted them license to work on the sidewalks.

**Councilman Romanell:** A few items from the MML convention:

1. Rain Tax – exempt if less than a 1 million budget and have a small population.
2. Maryland grants and loans for SWM – It was recommended that municipalities form a storm water utility. Once you charge then you are eligible for the grants and loans.
3. Ethics – Town is still exempt from having a written policy but it is required that one official from town takes class. Councilman Romanell will attend the Ethics class on behalf of the Town.

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

#### **1. Water Tap Allocation for 4 W. Main Street – 0.253 Water/Sewer Taps**

DUSWM has reviewed the requirements for 4 W. Main Street and they require an additional 0.253 Water/Sewer taps.

**Decision:** Councilmember Romanell made a motion to grant 0.253 water and 0.253 sewer taps for 4 W. Main Street in compliance with the 4th Amendemnt to the Water Service Area Agreement.

**Second:** Councilmember Davies

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** *For* – 3 (Rossman, Romanell, Davies) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0

The motion passed.

2. **Fire Pond** – Pat Hanagan presented information on adding an aerator to the Fire Pond. The aerator along, with the addition of chemicals, will remove the algae. Once the pond is clean, it is possible he would be able to use fewer chemicals. The chemicals are environmentally safe. Each winter he would remove the aerator and then re-install in the spring. The council requested that Mr. Hanagan get pricing on a fountain for the pond so that they can compare the two methods of aeration for the pond. This item will be continued at the next meeting of Mayor and Council.
  
3. **Community Park** – The area around the swings down at the Community Park needs to have the old mulch removed, the weeds eradicated, a weed barrier put down and then new mulch added. A notice will be sent out to town email list notifying them that the park will be under construction for a few days. A temporary fence will be installed around the areas that will be sprayed for weed control.

**Decision:** Councilmember Romanell made a motion to increase the Parks and Recreation line item to \$848.00 and approval the proposals from Playground Specialists for \$648.00 and Hanagan's Landscaping for \$2500.00.

**Second:** Councilmember Rossman

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** *For* – 3 (Rossman, Romanell, Davies) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0

The motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Councilmember Romanell to adjourn the meeting.

**Second:** Councilmember Davies

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** *For* – 3 (Romanell, Davies, Rossman) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0.

The motion passed.

**The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Butler  
Clerk to Council