



## Town Council Minutes 39 W. Main Street

May 9, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

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The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of New Market was held May 9, 2012, in the Town Hall, 39 West Main Street, New Market, Maryland, with Mayor Winslow Burhans presiding. Members of the Council present were: David Price, Dennis Kimble, Shane Rossman, and Jake Romanell. Councilwoman Rita Mueller was absent.

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Note: Due to lack of quorum on April 5 minutes, they will be held for approval until the return of Councilwoman Mueller.*

**Decision:** Councilmember Kimble made a motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2012 as written.

**Second:** Councilmember Romanell

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** **For** – 3 (Romanell, Kimble, Price) **Against** – 0. **Abstain** – 1 (Rossman)

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

**Mayor:** Howard Edwards is moving outside the town limits and has submitted his resignation from the Planning & Zoning Committee, effective May 15, 2012.

There will be a status meeting on the Boyers Mill Road bridge replacement project following the Lake Linganore HOA meeting on Saturday May 19 from 2:00 to 4:00 at Deer Crossing Elementary School.

### **Councilman Rossman:**

- Thank you to Clark & Rita Mueller for putting up the basketball nets.
- Thank you to the person who has been taking care of the Royal Oak median.

### **Councilman Price:**

- Mealey's Table will be having a grand opening on Saturday, May 12 from noon to five with the ribbon cutting at 5:00 p.m. Many of their vendors will be there (South Mountain Creamery, Black Ankle Winery, BBQ in the parking lot, jazz band, etc.). If possible, Councilman Price encouraged other businesses to put something out in front of their shop.
- Lino Garcia from Troop 628 is pursuing Eagle rank and would like to get permission from the Town to put up a 3 x 5 cork bulletin board at the New Market Methodist schoolhouse building. The project would include landscaping around the bulletin board. Mr. Garcia will need to go before the HDC/ARC committee before installing the bulletin board.
- Mealey's had a big problem with their well. There was large hole and since that has been fixed, the drainage problem in the parking lot and across 8<sup>th</sup> alley has disappeared.

**Special Presentation:** Senator David Brinkley – 2012 Legislative Wrap-Up.

Senator Brinkley gave the highlights of the 2012 legislative session, including discussion on the highway user revenues, special session for the budget, teacher pensions, Metro purple/red line, and streetscape.

**Old Business**

1. **South & 8<sup>th</sup> Alley Drainage** – This appears to be resolved due to the repair of Mealey's well. The situation will continue to be monitored.

**New Business**

2. **Town Clean Up – Certificates of Appreciation**

On April 22, members of Troop 1628 picked up trash, weeded, and spread mulch on the east end of Town for the Spring Clean-Up. The following individuals were awarded a certificate of appreciation for their efforts:

- a. Colin Brown
- b. Devin Brown
- c. Ashlyn Cooper
- d. Zach Cooper
- e. Alex Kullgren
- f. Sean Martucci
- g. Ethan Sitler
- h. Garrett Studer
- i. Ethan Yospin

3. **Frederick County Chamber of Commerce** – Frederick County was awarded the first charter for a chamber in the United States and they are celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> year on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Randy Gray, Membership Director, explained the benefits to the Town of becoming a member of the chamber. Local businesses, The Hill Chapel and Mealey's Table, are both recent members.
4. **Energy Co-Op** – As part of the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce, the Town would be able to participate in an energy co-op for both electricity and gas through CQI Associates. CQI will perform a free analysis of our current utility bills to see how much we can save. It averages about a 17% to 21% savings.
5. **Copier and Fax Fees** – A discussion on setting fees for copies and faxes was held. It was decided that there does need to be a set amount for this but that it should be limited to copies of Town information (Ordinance, Resolutions, FOIA requests, etc.). This item will be brought back to a future meeting.

6. **FY 13 Operating and CIP Budgets**

The following changes were made to the draft budgets: 1) lower MML to \$150.00, 2) increase Tree Management to \$4000.00, and 3) increase Tourism to \$500.00.

**Decision:** Councilmember Romanell made a motion to introduce Ordinance 12-01 for the FY13 Operating Budget with an unappropriated reserve of \$126,758.00

**Second:** Councilmember Price

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** *For* – 4 (Romanell, Kimble, Price, Rossman) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0

Councilman Romanell presented information on the repaving of South Alley. Councilman Romanell met with Remsburg Paving and Town Engineer Shawn Burnett to discuss an approach of three possible solutions. Phase 1 would repave South Alley between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Alley. Phase 2 would repave South Alley between 3<sup>rd</sup> down to South Federal and include the storm grate and swale repair. Phase 3 would include the repaving of South Federal and would repair the damage caused by the dump truck on South Federal Street. The bid for any one of these scenarios will likely be in the six-figure range.

**Decision:** Councilmember Romanell made a motion to introduce Ordinance 12-02 for the FY13 CIP Budget with a total cost of \$932,012.00

**Second:** Councilmember Kimble

**Discussion:** Councilman Rossman: Are we doing anything to prevent the erosion and destruction by trucks, etc? Mayor: If we expand pavement at all, we would have to address the new MDE regulations and that would be extremely costly to the Town. We are only maintaining the pavement that is already there.

**Vote:** *For* – 4 (Romanell, Kimble, Price, Rossman) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0

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

**Second:** Councilmember Rossman

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** *For* – 4 (Price, Rossman, Romanell, Kimble) *Against* – 0. *Abstain* – 0.

The motion passed.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Butler  
Clerk to Council