



Town Council Minutes
39 W. Main Street

February 12, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of New Market was held on February 12, 2015 in the Town Hall, 39 West Main Street, New Market, MD with Mayor Winslow Burhans presiding. Members of the Council present were Shane Rossman, Mike Davies, Jake Romanell, Rita Mueller and Dennis Kimble.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 13, 2015

Decision: Councilman Davies to approve the minutes as written.

Second: Councilwoman Mueller

Discussion: None

Vote: *For - 4 (Rossman, Davies, Mueller, Kimble) Against - 0, Abstain - 0*

The motion passed.

Mayor & Liaison Reports:

Mayor Burhans: The Mayor reported that there are still three outstanding items with DUSWM for the water / sewer taps for the following properties: the Grange, the Sanger property and the Town Hall. The county performs an audit of the properties of how many fixture unites they have and the three properties were assessed for more taps. Councilman Kimble is going to contact Lauren at the county and see what fixtures can be removed at Town Hall and Councilwoman Mueller is going to look into the Grange Hall's fixtures and Mayor Burhans will contact the Sanger's.

Councilman Rossman: Councilman Rossman would like to look into making a Resolution to allow a board member who submits a permit to the Town for approval to be exempt from the permit fee when they are serving on the town boards. The New Market Elementary School is having their 5K run and Linganore High School is having their Safe and Sane graduation party coming up in the Spring, Councilman Rossman is asking if the Town could be a sponsor for these two events and have the checks cut by next months meeting. The board agreed and Councilman Rossman will get the total amount for both events sent to Deb Butler. Mr. Walt Kuhlman of 21 W. Main St. would like to get some signage on Strawberry Alley to close the alley during the streetscape construction due to construction vehicles that damaged a retaining wall. Mr. Kuhlman agreed to put out the road-closed signs in the alley Monday-Friday during construction hours.

Decision: Councilman Rossman made a motion to close Strawberry Alley from 7:00am - 3:00 pm Monday – Friday during the construction of Streetscape.

Second: Councilwoman Mueller

Vote: *For - 4 (Rossman, Davies, Mueller, Kimble) Against - 0, Abstain - 0*

The motion passed

Streetscape Update: Concrete General is a little behind schedule due to the weather. Councilman Rossman is waiting to get the signed copy of the agreement back from concrete general. Some residents have begun to take down the light fixtures from the light poles. SHA and Concrete General meetings will begin in March. Councilman Rossman will let everyone know as soon as a date is set.

Councilman Romanell: at the county executive meeting, Delegate Krimm put in an amendment to the tax equity statute that's currently on the books with the state. It states that the county will meet with the municipalities on a yearly basis to discuss what are considered duplicative services provided by municipalities in the county and also to take a look at the formula to determine the refund back to municipal residents needs to be changed. County Executive Gardner has signed off on Delegate Krimm's amendment. The MML Chapter meeting is on February 26, 2015. SHA has a TAC (Tourist Area Corridor) signage program that is going to be a change in the signage that currently is on the highway. There are applications for municipalities, businesses and non-profit organizations and the deadline is currently April 23, 2015. More information will be available by the next scheduled meeting.

Councilwoman Mueller: This years Christmas in New Market is going to be run by Richard Stonebreaker and the New Market Mom's Club. They are going to work on getting the tree in the Community Park trimmed through out the year. The shelving for the shed is \$150.00 per unit and would need about 5-6 units. There will be a pancake breakfast at the Grange Hall Saturday, March 14, 2015 from 7:00 am – 12:00 pm. The cost will be \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. The benches, tables and trashcans for the 100-acre park are in and need to be installed.

Councilman Kimble: At the Planning and Zoning meeting on February 5, 2015 the board recommended the MOU for the review fees be passed on to the Town Council.

Old Business:

1. New Market Art Project – Yemi Fagbohun, Artist

Mr. Yemi Fagbohun gave an update on his project and asked for feedback on his ideas for the mural to tie into the history of New Market. He is tentatively planning to have the unveiling ceremony at the end of March and will return next month to the March meeting with an update and final drawings.



2. MOU between New Market and Miller & Smith regarding the schedule and review fees for Hazelnut Run.

Decision: Councilwoman Mueller made a motion to authorize Mayor Burhans to sign the Memorandum of understanding.

Second: Councilman Davies

Vote: *For - 5 (Rossman, Davies, Romanell, Mueller, Kimble) Against - 0, Abstain - 0*

Discussion: None

Public Comment: Tom Hyde

The motion passed

ADJOURNMENT:

Decision: Councilwoman Mueller made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Councilman Romanell

Vote: *For - 5 (Rossman, Davies, Romanell, Mueller, Kimble) Against - 0, Abstain - 0*

Discussion: None

The motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Durbin
Clerk to Council

