

Friendsville Town Council Minutes
October 2, 2023

Attendance:

Mayor Spencer Schlosnagle, and Wanda Guard, Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer. Council members: Pamela Humberson, President, Michael Artice, Edward Kelley, Sheryl MacLane, and Zachary Trautwein.

Public: Terry Spear, Friendsville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Jennifer Uphold, Friendsville Pharmacy, Rod Bowser and Claire Sullivan, The Republican newspaper reporter.

Call to Order: The general meeting of the Mayor and Town Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President, Pamela Humberson.

Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: All attending the meeting recited the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion #1: (Councilman Trautwein/Councilman Kelley): Approval to accept the October 02, 2023, agenda. 5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Motion #2: (Councilwoman MacLane/Councilman Artice): Approval to accept the September 18, 2023, general meeting minutes with corrections. 5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

To The Floor:

Terry Spear from Friendsville Volunteer Fire & Rescue provided the council members with a design and a comprehensive document outlining the necessary steps and requirements for the construction of the concession stand and ADA restroom facility which will be 20'x34'. Any equipment listed on the drawing will be purchased after the building is constructed. Community Parks & Playgrounds will need to sign off on the design and plan before moving forward.

In the meeting, it was reported that Jennifer from the pharmacy has unfortunately lost grant funding, and she took the initiative to meet with State Senator McKay to discuss the significant hardship this loss of funding is imposing on her business. Jennifer subsequently shared the specifics of her situation with the Town Council for their awareness and consideration.

Unfinished Business:

During the discussion regarding the Ruth Enlow Library, Mayor Schlosnagle informed the group that the deed, initially prepared by Michael Llewellyn, is currently undergoing the library review process. It was mentioned that Thomas Vose, the Library Director, and Christian Mash, the Board Chairman, are planning to attend the November 6th meeting for a photo opportunity. Mayor Schlosnagle also noted that during the construction of the new facility which will begin around October 2024, the library will require a temporary location to continue its services.

Mayor Schlosnagle has asked Councilman Kelley and Councilwoman MacLane to join a meeting tomorrow afternoon at approximately 2:00 p.m. This meeting will involve Mayor Schlosnagle, the maintenance team, and will focus on the installation of safety mirrors on

from \$15.00 to \$30.00 per meeting and write an ordinance & post before the next meeting on November 6, 2024.

5 Favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Upon reviewing the 2024 Mayor & Town Council meeting calendar, it was brought to the attention of the members that January 1, 2024 & September 2, 2024, meetings, occur on holidays.

Motion #5: (Councilman Kelley/Councilwoman MacLane): Approval to move January 1, 2024, Mayor, and Town Council meeting to January 8, 2024.

5 Favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Motion #6: (Councilman Artice/Councilwoman MacLane): Approval to have the annual Door to Door Trick or Treat on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for homes that have their porch light on, and the children must be accompanied by an adult.

5 Favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

It was brought to the Mayor & Town Council's attention that the meals & mileage reimbursement form is outdated and needs to be updated. Using receipts only for reimbursement is acceptable if the council chooses this method. Wanda Guard, administrative assistant, clerk-treasurer shared it would be best to use the form and receipts for reimbursements per our CPA's recommendation. Mayor Schlosnagle will verify with the municipalities and report back with his findings.

A thank you note was received from the Youghiogheny Glades Chapter of the DAR for their sincere thanks and support to the Mayor & Town Council for participation in their Constitution Week celebration. By issuing a proclamation recognizing our heritage and freedom.

Mayor's Report:

- Reviewed Jarrett Mahoney's seven open code enforcement cases.
- Shared what the other municipalities views regarding Airbnb/VRBOs. An Airbnb/VRBO ordinance may be something to think about for the future for the Town of Friendsville.
 - Accident – Ordinance not permitting.
 - Oakland – Ordinance not permitting.
 - Mt. Lake Park – Ordinance in place with tight restrictions.
 - Grantsville – Currently allows but looking at Mt. Lake Park's ordinance.
 - Loch Lynn – no policy in place.
- Maryland Department of Transportation – Secretary of Transportation will be at the Consolidated Transportation Program meeting scheduled for Friday, October 6, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's meeting room, Oakland, MD.
- Tree Committee Members for 2024
 - Sheryl MacLane, Chairperson, Dred Lowdermilk, Town Employee, Pam Jasper, Melissa Custer & Andrea Croskey

Motion #7: (Councilwoman MacLane/Councilman Kelley): Approval to reappoint Pam Jasper, Melissa Custer & Andrea to the tree committee members for 2024.

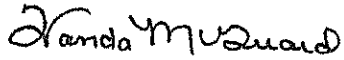
5 Favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Next Meeting: The next town council meeting will be on November 6, 2023, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

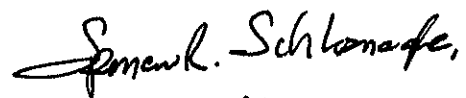
The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Wanda M. Guard,
Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved :



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