

TOWN OF BLADES

Office of the Mayor and Council
20 West Fourth Street
Blades, Delaware 19973

Council Meeting Minutes
October 20th, 2008

Present: Mayor David Ruff, Councilman Russell Joseph, Councilman Earl Chaffinch, Councilman Michael Smith, Councilman Charles Greene, and Vikki Prettyman, Town Administrator

Mayor Ruff called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the September 8th, 2008 minutes, motioned to accept by Councilman Joseph, seconded by Councilman Smith, motion carried.

Police Report: Report submitted by Chief Cooke, read by Councilman Chaffinch.

BEDCO: Report submitted by Spuck Bennett, read by Mayor Ruff.

Planning & Zoning: Meeting Minutes were not available at the time of this meeting.

Committee Reports:

- 1) Code Officer Report, Submitted by William Matsinger read by Mayor Ruff
- 2) Housing Report, No Report
- 3) Water Report, Submitted by Brandon Slater, read by Councilman Greene
- 4) Streets Report, Submitted and read by Councilman Joseph
 - i. Discussion on why no paperwork or maps received by DelDot for the project underway making the sidewalks ADA compliant and the milling and repaving of Market Street
 - ii. Question from Mr. Allen regarding how the State plans to handle the truck traffic from River Road to Market Street
- 5) Parks/Cemetery, Submitted and read by Councilman Smith
 - i. Mayor Ruff expressed his thanks to Councilman Smith and to all others involved in helping obtain the \$5000.00 grant from Sussex County and Dale Dukes.
- 6) Police Report, Submitted by Chief Cooke, read by Councilman Chaffinch
- 7) Mayor Report, No Report

All reports were approved and are on file at the Blades Town Hall.

New Business:

- First reading of ordinance 427
- Resolution to surplus the Chevy Caprice, motion, to accept the resolution, made by Councilman Smith, motion carried.
- Motion, to contact Town Solicitor regarding proceeding with the lien process on Tull-Ramey Real Estate, by Councilman Joseph, seconded by Councilman Smith, motion carried.
- Motion, to accept the amendment to the comprehensive plan regarding the re-zone of the Blades Property on the corner of Fifth and Market Streets, by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Greene, motion carried.
- Motion, to retain the DBF to develop the Source Water and Well Head Protection Act, by Councilman Joseph and seconded by Councilman Chaffinch, motion carried.
- Councilman Smith requested that the Council accepts the proposal to replace 219' of fencing at the cemetery for \$850.00. Motion to accept proposal by Councilman Chaffinch.
- Verizon Wireless needs to renew the building permit for the antennas on the water tower or will have to go through the process all over again.
- William Lecates will be at the December meeting to go over the CDBG grant process.
- Workshop for the PWA is set for October 27th, 2008 at 6pm, Town Administrator will provide Council with the rough draft of the 2009 Budget
- Workshop for the 2009 Budget will be November 3rd, 2008 at 6pm.

Good of the Community:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Councilman Joseph, seconded by Councilman Greene, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vikki L Prettyman
Secretary