

TOWN OF HARTLY
P.O. BOX 181
HARTLY, DE 19953

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 9, 2018

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Mark Maguire at 7:06 PM.

Council Present:

Suzanne Morris	Raymond Morris
Mark Maguire	

II. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Suzanne provided Invocation.

Ray led in Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Tonight's Agenda

June meeting cancelled due to lack of quorum. No minutes.

Ray motioned, Suzanne 2nd, approval of tonight's agenda. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

IV. Reports

a. Treasury (Suzanne Reported)

i. Citizens Bank Account

As of 6/14/18, there is a remaining balance of \$19,738.71. Revenues collected totaled \$10,953.50 (included a reimbursement of \$10,000 CTF funds for earlier ATV expense). Expenses totaled \$1,601.62; leaving a balance of \$29,090.59 as of 8/9/2018.

ii. Restitution from Richie Casson

Payments received since 6/14/18 totaled \$150.00. Total paid to date as of 8/9/18, \$7,640.00. Remaining balance owed: \$85,626.50.

iii. Delaware State Police Accounting Record

Since 4/21/17, we have paid DSP \$6,844.50. Received from Courts \$3,755.00. We are getting back roughly 54.86% of our costs. So far in 2018, 68 citations have been written.

iv. Street Light Impact Tax

2017 Balance of Unpaid Fees \$700

v. 2017 Property Tax

8 outstanding bills. Not paid \$1677.85 in property tax. 2018 Property Tax Invoices will be sent later this month and will include paragraph previously voted on, which allows for residents to request a payment plan if necessary.

Ray motioned, Rebekah seconded, to accept the Treasury Report. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

b. Building Permits

Ray reported two permits pending. One is a demo permit for the old car lot.

c. Correspondence

Suzanne read all correspondence. Emails & invitations discussed.

V. Unfinished Business

a. Sidewalks (TAP)

Mark met with Senator Lawson, Representative Spiegelman, and DelDOT to discuss and secure all funding for project. The project is scheduled for Spring 2019, however it may start sooner as they are trying to push it faster. One property in town has new ownership so DelDot will need a new signed agreement for that property.

b. Delaware State Police/Speeding/Road Signage

Signs seem to be slowing drivers down. Sign on Main Street has been working intermittently. Data has been used to determine when to schedule DSP and they're actively writing citations again.

c. Town Sign

Town Sign was installed by Signs of Tomorrow on 5/14/18. The Hartly Ruritan Club donated monies towards the cost of the Town Of Hartly Sign. Request was made by S.Morris to send a Thank you note to the Hartly Ruritan Club. Many compliments received on it from residents.

d. Town Yard Sale

Town Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, September 8th. Rebekah will place ad in newspaper and on Facebook.

e. Other unfinished business as needed:

None

VI. New Business

a. Lawn Care Company Bids

Bids were collected on mowing and weed eating services that would be required to clean up yards in violation of the Town Ordinance. The company will also maintain the town island as needed (\$25 per occurrence). Crossley Enterprises, Inc. was contracted.

b. Landscaping Town Sign/Island

Ray motioned, Suzanne 2nd, to spend up to \$1,000 landscaping the town island to compliment the new town sign. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

c. Animal Control/Odor

A resident submitted a complaint asking the town for help regarding loose chickens on Main Street. We currently do not have a Town Ordinance that would address chickens. The amount of feral cats and strong odor throughout the town was also discussed. Commissioners are to bring ideas to discuss solutions at the October Meeting.

d. Insurance Renewal

On 7/29/18, our insurance policy covering Commercial Crime / Employee Theft / Loss, was renewed for \$692 annual premium.

e. Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

Ray motioned, Rebekah seconded, to accept the FY19 Budget as presented in 1st Reading. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

f. Tree Lighting Ceremony

Mark will contact the Fire Company and request to rent the hall on Saturday, December 8th for the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

g. Capital Monies

Discussion regarding the investment or savings account for the budget funds identified as capital funds. Council will investigate the various avenues of investment of capital funds and report back in October meeting.

VII. Public Comment / Council Member Comment

None

VIII. Adjournment

Ray motioned, Suzanne seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			