

MINUTES
WALKERSVILLE BURGESS & COMMISSIONERS TOWN MEETING
August 22, 2018

The Town meeting of the Walkersville Burgess & Commissioners was called to order on Wednesday, August 22, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. Those in attendance included Burgess Chad Weddle, Commissioners Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis, Donald Schildt, Russell Winch, and Debbie Zimmerman, Planning and Zoning Administrator Susan Hauver, Public Works Director Bob DePaola, Town Manager Gloria Long Rollins, and 15 citizens. Commissioner Gary Baker was absent.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

1. MINUTES

Commissioner Russell Winch made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Zimmerman, to approve the Town meeting minutes of August 8, 2018. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0-1, with Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis abstaining.

2. PAVING PROPOSAL FOR PENNSYLVANIA DRIVE, WALKERSVILLE SOUTHERN RAILROAD, AND BIGGS FORD ROAD

Mr. DePaola got a quote on paving the 3 areas including Pennsylvania Drive, the Walkersville Southern Railroad, and Biggs Ford Road from Lonza to row of houses. Since CJ Miller is already mobilized and available in the area and doing work at Parkside, they have proposed work as the following:

- Walkersville Southern Railroad lot, 380 sy, Grade and roll existing stone, Install 2" to 3" 9.5mm Asphalt Surface Course - \$11,368.00
- Patch at Railroad Crossing on Biggs Ford Road, 190 sy, Remove 2" of broken asphalt, Install 2" 9.5mm Asphalt Surface Course, Traffic Controls - \$7,934.00
- 2" Mill & Overlay Biggs Ford Road, 630 sy, 2" Asphalt Milling, 2" 9.5mm Surface Asphalt, Replace linestriping, Traffic Controls - \$19,006.00

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Russell Winch, to approve the paving proposal by CJ Miller in the amount of \$38,308 if approved while their equipment is still mobilized in the Parkside area. The motion passed by a vote 3-1, with Commissioner Donald Schildt in opposition.

3. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE FOR ELECTION SUPERVISOR

Ms. Cindy Harbaugh submitted a letter of interest in serving as an Alternate Election Supervisor.

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Russell Winch, to appoint Ms. Cindy Harbaugh as an Alternate Election Supervisor for the September 10th, 2018 election. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND UNAUDITED JUNE 2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Commissioner Russell Winch made a motion, reluctantly seconded by Commissioner Donald Schildt, to approve the unaudited June 2018 financial statements and pay the attached bills. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

5. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS

Commissioner Donald Schildt would like to see the resident troopers step up their patrols around the schools when school starts.

Commissioner Schildt asked for an update on the Heritage Farm Park building. We've been told by ARRO that the plans are still with Frederick County awaiting approval.

Commissioner Donald Schildt reported that there is a meeting scheduled for Friday, 8/24, at 4:30 p.m. between the residents of Port Circle and Ausherman Construction and town staff and him?

Commissioner Schildt reported that the ARIA group will send representatives when the brick memorial is dedicated.

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis reported that she is investigating the installation of LED streetlights and she and Yunellis are exploring a grant that covers \$85 of the cost per light. There are 31 lights that are to be installed.

Commissioner Brodie-Ennis explained that she has contacted State Highway Administration about their redoing the stormwater pond at Rt. 194 and Frederick Street. They have removed (busted up) the sidewalk during the work and it's a concern for citizens. She was told they will come and take a look and work on a solution. Mr. DePaola expressed his initial concern about the retrofitting of the storm pond and the fact that our water line runs through the pond. They have assuaged his concerns by providing the plans which show that the pond will be divided into 2 ponds with a berm containing the water line between them.

At this point, Mr. Wayne Starkey, owner of Olde Towne Jewelers, was invited forward to express his concerns about the SHA work in the storm pond that adjoins his property. He is concerned about it being a wet pond with the possibility of a mosquito infestation. He stated that he had spoken with the superintendent on the job and is wondering about the installation of a fence. He said they dumped a load of rocks on his property for erosion prevention. He mentioned the name of Terry Soos, who is also someone who spoke with Mr. DePaola. Burgess Weddle is going to contact someone from the State and insist that they address this issue with the Burgess and Commissioners.

Commissioner Russell Winch reported that the town sponsored shred event that took place on Friday, 8/10, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon, collected and shredded 10,125 pounds of material from the people who dropped off their confidential paperwork.

Burgess Weddle reported on the successful opening of Richard Winn Lane. It was a beautiful night and a well attended celebration honoring the service of Richard Winn. Three of his four children, Tina Green, Ruby Hebb, and Brad Winn attended and cut the ribbon opening the road.

Ms. Hauver reported that the cost estimate for installing the right turn in/right turn out at Fountain Rock Road has been received and will be reviewed. Burgess Weddle wants it scheduled for the September 12th town meeting.

Mr. DePaola reported that blasting for the water plant has begun and the contractors are following the plan and the procedures for the blasting.

Burgess Weddle announced an Open House at the Law Mall put on by the Frederick County Sheriff's Department similar to the MSP National Night Out event. It will be held Thursday, August 30th from 5-8 p.m.

Burgess Weddle reminded everyone of the occurrence of West Nile virus in local news and to remove any standing water on property to help with the prevention of the disease. This is especially important with the amount of rain received lately.

Burgess Weddle reviewed the list of announcements :

- Tues., Aug. 28, 7:30 – Planning Meeting
- Mon., Sept. 3 – Labor Day – OFFICE CLOSED
- Tues., Sept. 4, 4:30 – Deadline to Apply for Absentee Ballot
- Tues., Sept. 4, 7:30 – Board of Appeals (if needed)
- Weds., Sept. 5, 7:30 – Parks Meeting
- Thurs., Sept. 6, 7:00 p.m. – Meet the Candidates Night at Town Hall
- Mon., Sept. 10 – 7:00am-8:00pm – Town Election
- Tues., Sept. 11, 7:30 – Planning Workshop
- Weds., Sept. 12, 7:30 – Town Meeting

- Tues., Sept. 25 – Water Disconnects
- Weds., Sept. 26, 7:30 – Town Meeting

6. CITIZENS' QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

Burgess Weddle noted the presence of Mr. Roger Wilson, Government Affairs and Public Policy Director for Frederick County.

Tom Gilbert, of 56 Hampton Place, noted that there was a blast around 12 noon today during the construction of the town's water plant. He stated that it shook houses in Glade Village and that there was a train on the tracks at the time and he felt it was dangerous. He stated that they did not use mats and debris was flying 15 feet in the air. Burgess Weddle reported that they did indeed use the mats over the blasts as required.

Burgess Weddle wished everyone a Happy Labor Day and announced the next meeting Wednesday, September 12th at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Long Rollins
Town Manager