

MINUTES
WALKERSVILLE BURGESS & COMMISSIONERS TOWN MEETING
January 9, 2019

The Town meeting of the Walkersville Burgess & Commissioners was called to order on Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. Those in attendance included Burgess Chad Weddle, Commissioners Michael Bailey, Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis, and John Zimmerman, Planning and Zoning Administrator Susan Hauver, Public Works Director Bob DePaola, Town Manager Gloria Long Rollins, Ken Kellar of the Woodsboro Times, and 9 citizens. Commissioners Tom Gilbert and Michael McNiesh were absent due to conflicts in schedules.

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

1. MINUTES

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner John Zimmerman, to approve both sets of the Town meeting minutes and Closed Personnel meeting minutes of December 12, 2018. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

2. FREDERICK SUMMER SOLSTICE 8K – ALEX YOUNG – RACE COURSE REQUESTS

Mr. Alex Young, of the Frederick Steeplechasers, requested to hold an 8K run starting from the Walkersville Fire Company, up Frederick Street, out Glade Road to Heritage Farm Park, around the park loop and back to the fire hall. There will need to be road closures throughout the route. Mr. Young was directed to attend the next Parks meeting for notification and approval, so that the park can be reserved and GVAA notified.

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner John Zimmerman, to allow closure of Town roads during the Summer Solstice 8K run at 7:00 p.m. on June 15, 2019 after approval by the Parks Committee for the use of Heritage Farm Park. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

3. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Michael Bailey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner John Zimmerman, to pay the attached bills. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

4. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis asked when the Rock Creek School will go before the Planning Commission – January 22 will have the site plan review before the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Brodie-Ennis reported that a grant for the replacement of 31 streetlights with LED streetlights has been received.

Commissioner Brodie-Ennis reported that the Parks Committee will be devising an equipment plan to include handicap accessibility equipment for Community Park.

Ms. Rollins reported that Nate Merkel of ARRO called to say the plans for the Heritage Farm Park have been approved pending signature on the Mylar when prepared.

Ms. Hauver reported that she met with the Design team for the Rock Creek School.

Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis asked commissioners to ponder on the users and processes for the Heritage Farm Park Building after it is constructed. Users will include GVAA wrestling and other users who reserve the building. There will be rules and sign up processes for use of the building rather than simply turning over the key to GVAA.

Ms. Hauver reported the permit from SHA for the Fountainrock Road right turn in, right turn out has been received. Bid package for the construction will need to be produced.

5. CITIZENS' QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

Ron Layman, 24 West Frederick Street, and manager of the Walkersville Watershed Scout Camp, reported that on January 19th there will be 200 scouts there participating in the Klondike. He invited all to attend starting a 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

Burgess Weddle reported that Rutters plans to open next week. He also reported that the removal of the tree line at Gladetowne has nothing to do with Rutters, as this rumor was rampant. The Gladetowne HOA is responsible for the tree removal along Glade Boulevard.

Ms. Rollins reported that the new Code Enforcement officer, Donny Strawsburg, has started training with Andy Dewese.

Mr. DePaola reported that the water holding tanks have been installed in the basement area of the new water plant and the contractor is still on schedule for completion in March 2020.

Announcements:

- Tues., Jan. 22 – 7:30 p.m. – Planning Commission
- Wed., Jan. 23 – 7:30 p.m. – Town Meeting
- Tues., Feb. 5 – 7:30 p.m. – Board of Appeals (if needed)
- Wed., Feb. 6 – 7:30 p.m. – Parks Committee
- Tues., Feb. 12 – 7:30 p.m. – Planning Workshop
- Wed., Feb. 13 – 7:30 p.m. – Town Meeting
- Tues., Feb. 26 – 7:30 p.m. – Planning Meeting
- Wed., Feb. 27 – 7:30 p.m. – Town Meeting
- Sat., May 18 – Walkersville Day

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 23rd, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Long Rollins
Town Manager