



Town of Blades  
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January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Town Council Meeting  
Hardin Hall

Present: Mayor Michael J Smith, Councilman Robert Atkinson, Councilman BJ Hardin, Councilwoman Christena King, Councilman Earl Chaffinch, Sr., Town Administrator Vikki Prettyman

Absent: Councilman Russell Joseph

Meeting Opened at 7:01pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from 12/13/10 Motion made by Councilman BJ Hardin; seconded by Councilman Earl Chaffinch, Sr.; as printed.

Police Report-submitted by Chief Cooke read by Commissioner Earl Chaffinch, Sr.

BEDCO-submitted by Bart Saylor; read by Councilman BJ Hardin

P&Z-No Meeting in January

Unfinished Business:

- Housing/Code- No report submitted in writing by Commissioner Hardin; verbal report only: Code Enforcement Officer Marcus Trammell has been fully vetted and has been brought on full-time as of January 3rd, 2011. Inspections of the rental properties continue and will be complete by the end of March.
- Water report-submitted by Brandon Slater read by Commissioner Bob Atkinson
- Streets- Commissioner absent.
  - Mayor announced that Market street as paved; road looks good.
- Parks & Cemetery-report in writing by Commissioner King. Commissioner thanked BEDCO; the new toddler equipment has been installed and mulch will be distributed as soon as the weather gets better.
- Police Report- Commissioner Chaffinch has nothing further to add from the Police Report submitted and read from above.
- Mayor's Report- submitted in writing.



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New Business:

- Certificate presented to BEDCO for the Starz quick connectors for the fire hydrants in town that didn't have them.
  - 12 Fire Hydrants didn't have them
- Board Of Elections Appointments for the April 4th, 2011 election will be announced at the February Council Meeting

Good of the Community:

- Weather report is for a snow/sleet event this week...
- Councilman Hardin Congratulated Mayor Smith on his appointment to President of SCAT. It's the first time Blades has held the position in 8 Years...
- Mayor Smith notes that for the first time in years the new Mayor of Delmar showed up to the SCAT Dinner. He is looking forward to having more representatives from the towns in order to show upstate that Sussex County will be speaking with one voice. SCAT is the only town association in the state.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman King; Mayor closed the meeting at 7:23PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vikki Prettyman  
Town Administrator