



Town of Blades
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September 10th, 2012
Town Council Meeting
Hardin Hall

Present: Mayor Michael J Smith, Vice-Mayor Russell Joseph, Councilman Robert Atkinson, Councilman John Reiss, Councilman Earl Chaffinch, Sr., Town Administrator Vikki Prettyman

Absent: Councilman David Ruff

Meeting Opened at 7:00pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from August 13th Council meeting and August 21st Workshop; motion made to accept minutes in written form by Councilman Joseph; seconded by Councilman Reiss, motion accepted.

Police Report – Submitted by Chief Cooke; Read by Commissioner Chaffinch.

BEDCO – September 6th meeting minutes submitted by Spuck Bennett; read by BJ Hardin.

P&Z – No written meeting minutes available at this time of this meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code – Code Report Submitted & Attached in the minutes.
- Water report - submitted by Brandon Slater; read by Commissioner Atkinson.
- Streets – No written report submitted; Commissioner Joseph stated that the backhoe is back in town; the fuel tank was replaced. There are 13 repairs to the streets that need to be made and have received 2 quotes; Delmarva Paving \$5175.00 & Schrock \$3600.00; prices not including Third Street with that recent water main break; Councilman Chaffinch motioned to have Schrock repair the streets; motion passed.
- Parks & Cemetery – No report Submitted.
- Police Report – No further information; report submitted.
- Mayor's Report – Submitted in writing.

New Business:

- Water Ordinance, second reading.
- Security Cameras in the park: Councilman Chaffinch motioned to approve placing the security camera in the park with the grant received; Council Atkinson seconded the motion; vote was unclear so town administrator asked for individual votes;
 - Councilman Atkinson – Yea
 - Councilman Reiss – Nay



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- Councilman Joseph – Nay
- Councilman Chaffinch – Yea
- Tied Vote: Mayor Smith – Yea

Motion passed 3 to 2; with Mayor Smith casting the tie breaker.

- Games ordinance #431, first reading.

Good of the Community:

Starr Kulikauski questioned why the Blades Night Out was poorly attended by the surrounding towns departments....

What is left of the new garage? All is complete except the gutters.

The town received a donation of salt from Wal-Mart. This will save the town a great deal of money for this winter.

Mayor closed the meeting at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vikki Prettyman
Town Administrator