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*Town Council Meeting  
Hardin Hall  
7:00PM  
December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014*

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Community Development Block Grant, Mike Jones, present to discuss the rules and regulations for applying for community development block grants through the county. Mr. Jones gave council the resolutions to be read and voted on in order to maintain the process of applying for these grants for eligible applicants.

Hearing closed at 7:11pm.

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

Meeting Opened at 7:11pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Town Council Meeting; motion to accept in written form by Councilman Reiss; seconded by Councilman Ruff; motion passed. Minutes from November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Council Workshop; motion to accept in written form by Councilman Joseph; seconded by Councilman Chaffinch; motion passed.

Police Report – submitted by Chief Cooke; read by Commissioner Chaffinch.

BEDCO – No minutes available by the time of this meeting, will post online once they are received.

P&Z – No Minutes at the time of the meeting. Commissioner Reiss stated that the new flood maps and a updated flood ordinance are being reviewed and then recommendation will be made to the council; recommendation is to approve and recommend approval to council for the January meeting agenda.

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. Ready for snow. Some additional patches are needed.
- Parks & Cemetery – No written report. Swings chain is broken; another board broken at pavilion; next Anniversary Committee meeting will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm here at Hardin Hall. Miss Blades pageant: Great Job to the committee members; Seaford Christmas Parade, Little Miss Blades won 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
- Police Report – Nothing further to report.
- Mayor's Report – No written report.

❖ New Business:

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- Fiscal Year 2015 Town Budget Resolution
  - Synopsis: FY15 Resolution approving the town budget
  - Resolution 2014.12.08 R05 Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015; motion to approve by Councilman Reiss, seconded by Councilman Atkinson; motion passed; 5 yeas to 1 no.
- Christmas Light Contest
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$50.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$25.00
  - Judging will take place the week of December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and winners will be announced the week of December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 online.
- Community Development Block Grant
  - Resolution R06 read; motion to accept as read by Councilman Reiss, seconded by Councilman Ruff; motion passed.
  - Resolution R07 read; motion to accept as read by Councilman Reiss, seconded by Councilman Atkinson; motion passed.

❖ Good of the Community:

- Question brought up about issues at Dollar General. The police department is working with management.

Council Workshop scheduled for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7pm. Agenda: Impact Fees and Personnel.

Mayor closed the meeting at 7:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vikki Prettyman  
Town Administrator