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Town Council Meeting BVFC, East Fifth Street, Blades, DE 7:00PM September 11, 2023

Present: Mayor Robert Atkinson, Councilman William Stang, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams, Councilman Donald Trice, Councilman Garold Miller, Police Chief Martin Willey, Police Administrative Assistant Loretta Lynch, Code Enforcement Officer Marcus Trammell, Administrative Assistant Crystal Gregor and Town Administrator Lisa Marks.

Mayor Robert Atkinson officially opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Opening Prayer by Councilman William Stang, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from the August 14, 2023, Town Council Meeting: Motion to accept in written form by Councilman Donald Trice; Seconded by Councilman William Stang. Motion passed, Councilman William Stang – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Garold Miller – Yes. Carried

Police Report – Submitted and read by Police Chief. Monthly statistics

BEDCO – No report at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – Read by Councilman Garold Miller. – Plans for a new construction was tabled until next month due to setbacks. Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code Report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Marcus Trammell and read by Town Administrator Lisa Marks. Monthly statistics
- Water report Reports submitted by Public Works Supervisor Frank O'Day and read by Councilman William Stang. Monthly statistics
- Streets Report submitted and read by Councilman Garold Miller. Blades 2023 Street Paving Project should be completed in the next two days, weather permitting.
- Parks & Cemeteries Report submitted and read by Councilwoman Nancy McAdams. Hardin Hall is in the permitting process. The park has been rented most Saturdays throughout the summer. The first two Saturdays in October are still available for rental. Grass seed will be spread in the cemetery this fall. Information for Wreaths Across America is available for anyone wanting to participate.
- Police Report submitted and read by Councilman Donald Trice. Councilman Trice picked up the 2023 Dodge Durango August 29th. Remodeling of the Police Department and Town Hall will begin next week. Incar and body cameras are now being used. The new hire will be starting the academy in October. The Police Department and BVFC will be handing out candy at the BVFC Halloween.

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- Mayor's Report Report submitted and read by Mayor Robert Atkinson. Mayor Atkinson gave a brief
 report of his numerous meetings during the month of August.
- Town Administrator Report Report submitted and read by Town Administrator Lisa Marks. Ms. Marks reported August door hanger and shutoffs for past due accounts, notaries are available at Town Hall during business hours, Weaver Real Estate Appraisal continues to appraise homes that have been recently built. The report was concluded by thanking town staff for their efforts in this year's upcoming Thanksgiving turkey giveaway.

❖ New Business:

- Announce Town Clean-Up, September 30, 2023, 7am-Noon.
- The Comp Plan Update PLUS reviewed the town's draft Comp Plan on August 23rd and will submit their suggestions to the town by September 21st. The PLUS suggestions will be discussed at the October council meeting.

Old Business:

- N/A
- Good of the Community

Citizen inquired about the time limit during Good of the Community.

Citizen inquired about the location of a flag pole donated to the town seven years ago.

Citizen inquired about water readings and water meters that are being updated.

Citizen inquired if the towns density is being monitored.

Councilman Donald Trice motioned to adjourn the September 11, 2023, Blades Town Council Meeting, Seconded by Councilman Garold Miller.

Mayor Robert Atkinson adjourned the Blades Town Council Meeting at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Lisa Marks Town Administrator