

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: Wednesday, July 10, 2019
Location: First State Community Action Agency, 308 North
Railroad Avenue
Time: 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

PRESENT:

Bill West, Mayor
Steve Hartstein, Ward One
Rebecca Johnson-Denis, Ward Two
Chris Lecates, Ward Three
Bob Holston, Ward Four

STAFF PRESENT:

Eugene S. Dvornick Jr., Town Manager
Stephani J. Ballard, Town Solicitor

7:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Manager Dvornick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. INVOCATION

Councilwoman Lecates led the Invocation.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilwoman Lecates, seconded by Councilwoman Johnson-Dennis to adopt the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

4. APPROVAL OF JUNE 26, 2019 TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Motion by Councilman Holston, seconded by Councilman Hartstein to approve the June 26, 2019 Town Council Minutes as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

5. PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

There was one (1) letter of interest submitted from Justin Illian to fill the Planning Commission Vacancy.

Motion by Councilwoman Lecates, seconded by Councilman Hartstein to appoint Justin Illian to the Planning Commission. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

6. 2ND READING & ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

A. ORDINANCE #2019-04 LODGING TAX

Motion by Councilwoman Lecates, seconded by Councilman Holston to adopt Ordinance #2019-04 Lodging Tax. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. GENE DVORNICK – TOWN MANAGER

Lodging Tax

With the passing of Ordinance 2019-04 imposing the Lodging Tax, staff and I are scheduling appointments with the manager at each of the hotels in Town to explain the

ordinance and reporting requirements. We have added information to our website with the enabling legislation (SB 64), the adopted Ordinance, and the Payment Voucher Form.

Edward Street Storm Water Conveyance Pipe

Public Works is in the process of determining the extent of a corrugated pipe failure along the Northern side of Edward Street from Robinson to Teal Court.

Vacant Building Registration

The Town is in the process of creating and mailing invoices for 20 vacant building registrations. All of the properties have been entered into our Code Enforcement System for follow up every six months.

Updates

A few updates on current projects:

- 39 The Circle
 - Substantial Completion took place on July 9
- Burger King Road
 - Storm water pond rehabilitation and drainage improvements are ongoing
- Cycling Infrastructure Innovation Grant
 - Application for \$17,000 was prepared and submitted – A site visit is next with final selection in October
- Georgetown to Lewes Bicycle Easement
 - Simone Collins has met with property owners and a revised easement location has been developed

Miscellaneous

- Legislative Update
- Reminders:
 - **Kimmeytown Community Day:** Saturday, July 20 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 - **Town Hall and Annex Dedication Ceremony:** Thursday, August 22 at 10:00 AM
 - **Sussex County Association of Towns:** Summer Recess
 - **Delaware League of Local Governments:** Summer Recess

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. & Mrs. Riddeau, 25 Surrey Lane

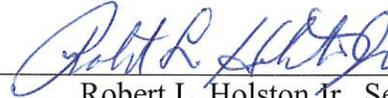
- We have seen some improvements in Carriage Place
- Secondly, there is a gap next to my house and I am certain that the Town owns it
 - Gene Dvornick added: It is a future connection road to the property to the South.
- So is that still going to happen?
 - Gene Dvornick: Nobody has come in with a plan to develop the property, but yes, the connections are still there. We always try to require connectivity amongst communities.

- Because of the pond that is there, we were hoping to put some picnic tables there because people are always coming to look at the pond.
- Another concern is, we have some drug activity that is ongoing.

9. ADJOURNMENT

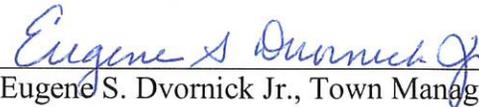
Motion by Councilwoman Johnson-Dennis, seconded by Councilwoman Lecates to adjourn at 7:14pm. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

APPROVED:



Robert L. Holston Jr., Secretary

ATTEST:



Eugene S. Dvornick Jr., Town Manager