

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 26, 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-Dennis, Ward Two
Bob Holston, Ward Four

STAFF PRESENT:

Eugene S. Dvornick Jr., Town Manager
Eric Rust, Wastewater Superintendent

ABSENT:

Stephani J. Ballard, Town Solicitor
Chris Lecates, Ward Three

7:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Manager Dvornick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor West led the Invocation.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor West would like to table item #5 G.R.E.A.T Fund Request – Playground Committee.

Motion by Councilwoman Johnson-Dennis, seconded by Councilman Holston to adopt the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

4. APPROVAL OF JUNE 12, 2019 TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Motion by Councilman Holston, seconded by Councilman Hartstein to approve the June 12, 2019 Town Council Minutes as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

5. G.R.E.A.T. FUND REQUEST – PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

Tabled

6. 1st READING OF ORDINANCES

A. ORDINANCE #2019-04 LODGING TAX

Town Manager Dvornick presented an overview of the ordinance to Mayor and Council. This is the first reading. No action at this time.

7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. GENE DVORNICK – TOWN MANAGER

Lodging Tax

With the Governor signing SB 64 and the first reading of Ordinance 2019-04 imposing the Lodging Tax, staff and I will be contacting each of the hotels and requesting a meeting with the manager to share the ordinance and its requirements. We will also add information to

our website with the enabling legislation (SB 64), the adopted Ordinance, and the Payment Voucher Form.

Community Development Block Grant

The Town received notification from the Delaware State Housing Authority that as part of the FY 2019 CDBG Allocation, Sussex County was awarded \$70,000 for housing rehabilitation.

Vacant Building Registration

The Town has contacted all owners of structures identified as being vacant and advised them of the new registration requirement. A few legitimately not vacant as verified by the Code Enforcement Officer (used for storage, serviced with electricity). It is estimated we will end up with approximately 35 to 40 properties being registered.

Updates

A few updates on current projects:

- 39 The Circle
 - Substantial Completion is anticipated for July 9 (following the Fire Marshal inspection on July 8)
- Burger King Road
 - Storm water pond rehabilitation and drainage improvements are ongoing
- Cycling Infrastructure Innovation Grant
 - Application being completed and will be submitted on June 27
- West Market Street Pedestrian Signal
 - Work is completed – signal is fully operational

Miscellaneous

- Legislative Update
- Reminders:
 - Town Offices Closed: Thursday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day
 - Sussex County Association of Towns: Summer Recess
 - Delaware League of Local Governments: Summer Recess

B. ERIC RUST – SUPERINTENDENT OF THE WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

1. Flows

Influent Flow January – May 2019: 149.1mg
Gallons Sprayed Town's Field: 51.3mg
Gallons Sprayed Baxter's Field: 9.6mg
Gallons Sprayed Pettyjohn's Woods: 94.5mg
Lagoon Depths: 75mg, 14.5' and 15mg, 6.75'

2. We are working with Kappe Associates to get quote to replace existing Pump-X pump at the Main Pumping Station. We can no longer get parts for the Pump-X pumps

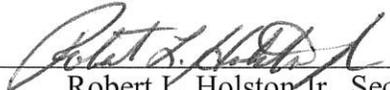
8. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Rebecca Breasure submitted a letter in reference to the Parks and Playground Committee
- Resident expressed concerns about Carriage Place

9. ADJOURNMENT

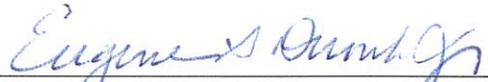
Motion by Councilwoman Johnson-Dennis, seconded by Councilman Hartstein to adjourn at 7:29pm. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

APPROVED:



Robert L. Holston Jr., Secretary

ATTEST:



Eugene S. Dvornick Jr., Town Manager