

Town of Millington

Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2024

Presents: Mayor Kevin Hemstock
Council Mark Linton
Council Zita Seals
Council Wayne Starkey

Town Administrator: Jo Manning

Public & Others: Will Bontrager & Captain Kettner

Call Meeting to Order: Mayor Kevin Hemstock called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Minutes of previous meeting: A motion to approve the minutes for the June 11, 2024, meeting was entered by Council Starkey; a second by Council Linton a vote of 4-0 was entered.

Susquehanna Operational Services Report: No Report

Kent County Sheriff's Report: Captain Kettner reviewed the report with Council

Town Administrator Report: Admin Manning reviewed her report with Council, provided an update on the senior housing project and community/business center project and shared the audit has started. She also shared the county is giving her a hard time about the fireman tax credit.

Code Enforcement Report: Reviewed

Rental Property Report: Reviewed

Old Business: Admin Manning gave the council a letter request to relinquish 1 EDU and waiver of additional expenses due to the EDU from 415 Cypress St, Mr. Starkey would like to sell the empty lot, with some decision from the council. A motion to relinquish the EDU and waive additional expense made by Council Starkey and a second by Council Seals, a vote of 4-0 was entered.

Admin Manning asked the Council if the town could reopen the Commercial Façade Program, since we only had two that applied for it, the council agreed to reopen the Commercial Façade Program. It will help the business in town to update the front of their buildings.

Admin Manning asked the council if they had a change for Chapter 34- Flood Plains. The council decided not to change anything in the chapter, it follows all state guidelines.

Mayor Hemstock introduced-Resolution 2024-14-A resolution to adopt Construction Standards & Specification of Kent County, Maryland.

Mayor Hemstock introduced- Resolution 2024-15- A resolution to adopt Construction Standards & Specifications of Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

Mayor Hemstock introduced- Resolution 2024-16- A resolution to amend Chapter 48-Peace and Good Order.

Mayor Hemstock introduced-Resolution 2024-17-Cannabis- Medicinal & Recreational.

New Business: Austen Parish (On Phone) explained how RiverNet works a lot like EastCoast WiFi with antennas. He has a couple of properties in town, and he is trying to make their service better for them and since he is a small company he can't afford the rent on the water tower. Council Seals asked Mr. Parish about cell phone service because that is the biggest problem Millington residents have at this time. Mr. Parish said there is really nothing he could do to improve that, but he is willing to work some tricks if he gets more people to get his service in town limits. The council thanked Mr. Parish for taking the time out of his schedule to explain his service for internet, they will have to talk about it.

Admin Manning asked the council if they would want to put a deed restriction on 172 Sassafras property. The deed restriction would keep it as senior housing, in case home partnership decides, they aren't going to run the complex anymore. The council agrees that the town should deed restrict 172 Sassafras Street.

Public Comments: No Comments

Council Comments: Council Starkey informed the council that there was a trash fire at the park Saturday night, July 6th. Mayor Hemstock asked Admin Manning what is going on with the electric at the new shed, she explained she is waiting for Frank, he said he would take care of it because the cost is \$20,000 to run it back there.

Correspondence: No Correspondence

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn at 7:50 PM was entered by Council Starkey, seconded by Council Linton, a vote of 4-0 was entered.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Starkey, Town Clerk