

MAYOR & COUNCIL

July 3, 2017

Vice Mayor Pase called the regular scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of Delmar, Delaware to order at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Vice Mayor Pase, Council Members Smith, Boyan and Holmes, Town Manager Bynum-King and Administrative Clerk Amanda Taylor. Absent: Mayor Houlihan, Clerk of Council Fisher. Guests: Kevin Minnich, Delmar Police Chief Barkley.

Mayor's Comments

Vice Mayor Pase indicated that Mayor Houlihan was on vacation.

Approval of Minutes

The June 5, 2017 meeting minutes were tabled until next month since there was not a voting quorum.

Unfinished Business

Resolution 2017-07-03- Approving the Issuance of Bond up to \$883,786

Vice Mayor Pase read Resolution 2017-07-03 approving the Issuance of up to \$883,786 principal amount General Obligation Bond for the water main replacement project on Grove Street. A Special Election was held on June 20, 2017, where the voter turnout was only 20 Delmar, Delaware residents. The Referendum passed; all votes were in favor of the Town borrowing up to \$883,786. After reading Resolution 2017-07-03, Vice Mayor Pase took an oral vote. (4 ayes/1 absent (Mayor Houlihan)). All members were in favor with Mayor Houlihan being absent.

Committee Reports:

Police Chief's Report

Chief Barkley reported that they have been working with Delaware State Police with DUI checkpoints and for the recent event held at the Delaware Speedway. The Police Department is pursuing grants to keep Pfc. Jeffrey Novack as the Resource Officer at the high school. The school is also looking for Federal grants to help as well. Things have been quiet for the most part in Town with the exception of some domestic calls. He stated that there have been no new traffic issues brought to their attention. Chief Barkley stated Delmar's National Night Out is coming up fast and everything is going well. The event will be held on August 4, 2017 from 5 p.m. 8 p.m. He also stated that everything is free and invited everyone to come and enjoy the festivities.

Code Enforcement Officer Report

Vice Mayor Pase stated that the Code Enforcement Report is included in their mail packet.

Fire Department Report

There was no report nor was anyone present to give a report.

Utility Commission

Vice Mayor Pase stated that the Utility Commission approved two irrigation wells in the Breckenridge development.

Public Works

Council Member Smith reviewed the notes from the Public Works meeting. He informed everyone that there are three new grills in State Street Park along new benches. Sewer work was completed around the Napa Parts Store, a new VFD was installed at the lift pump station located in Amber Ridge, and handicapped ramps are being installed in the E East Street area. Council Member Smith stated that even with the hot temperatures everyone is doing a good job in Public Works.

Planning & Zoning

Council Member William Boyan reported on the Delaware motions from the June Planning and Zoning meeting.

Kevin Minnich- Final Approval- Package Store Lot 5, Gerald Court, Delmar, DE

Council Member Smith made a motion to accept the favorable recommendation from Planning and Zoning for final approval of the package store to be located on Lot 5, Gerald Court, Delmar, DE, per the attached drawings. Council Member Holmes seconded the motion which passed with 4 ayes and 1 absent.

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Bynum-King informed everyone that the Administrative Office will be closed tomorrow for the 4th of July. The audit season is upon us, next week the auditors will be on-site for preliminary field work. Also, this is the last Council meeting before Delmar's National Night Out so she encourages everyone to support the Police Department in this effort. It's a great opportunity for the community and for kids to build relationship with the Public Safety Officers. She also mentioned that the V.F.W. volunteered to do all of the cooking, which is very commendable. .

Commission Comments

Vice Mayor Pase welcomed back Council Members Holmes and Smith.

Public Comments

A resident of the Breckenridge development attended the meeting to discuss an issue pertaining to the standing water after heavy rains on the street between the railroad track and Bi-State Blvd. on Connelly Mill Road. Town Manager Bynum-King stated that she appreciated him bringing the concerns to the Town meeting but this is a Delmar, Delaware meeting and informed the resident that the Delmar, Maryland meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. She said that she would pass the information on to the Town's Director of Public Works.

Adjournment

Council Member Holmes made a motion for adjournment which was seconded by Council Member Boyan. This motion was passed with 4 ayes and 1 absent.

Amanda Taylor
Administrative Clerk