# Utility Commission January 2, 2024 DELMAR TOWN HALL & VIA TELECONFERENCE

The regular scheduled meeting of the Delmar Utility Commission was called to order by Commissioner Shaffer. This meeting is available to the public, in person with limited seating and via teleconference. The phone number and access code has been provided to all the members as well as the public. In attendance was Commissioner Moore and Commission Member Dewald. Key personnel: Town Mgr. Jeff Fleetwood, and Clerk of Council Vondell Spencer. Guests: Mayor Bauer. Absent: Council Member Lanier.

Commissioner Shaffer took a roll call for attendance to establish a quorum. A quorum was established with three members present.

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made, seconded (Dewald/Moore) and carried to approve the December 11, 2023 meeting minutes adding a question mark after the word previously in the last paragraph, second line from the bottom. Commissioner Shaffer took a roll call vote and the motion was passed with 3 Ayes 1 Absent (Lanier).

#### Unfinished Business –

#### HydroCorp -

Town Mgr. Fleetwood asked Commission Member Dewald if there was any clarity needed on HydroCorp. He informed her that more information about HydroCorp is in the packet that should satisfy her concerns. She responded her biggest concern was the speed of voting on it.

## New Business/Town Manager Report

Commissioner Shaffer informed Town Mgr. Fleetwood at some point he would like to evaluate how streets are repaired from the Utility standpoint and what the policies are as far as business because there are new streets in town and he would like to make sure they are long lasting.

Town Mgr. Fleetwood reported: 1.) Town Mgr. Fleetwood advised everyone to keep former Council Member Smith and his wife in their hearts because he is not well. 2.) The town did received correspondence from MDE (Maryland Department of the Environment). The initial response was formulated and has been sent. The unresolved issues were significant Waste Water Treatment Plant flows three years ago which have lowered significantly, and INI issues. MDE would like the Town of Delmar to enter into an APFO (Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance) which is codifying what the town is doing. 3.) Gordy Park's basketball courts are deteriorated and they need to be redone, another pavilion needs to be in the park because of the town's growth, and more playground equipment needs to be added. He said he made a request for a grant through the State of Maryland in the amount of \$175,000. The grant has not been denied it has been accepted. The final word will be in March 2024.

## **Commission Comments –**

1.) Commission Member Dewald commented the South Dakota State University Jackrabbit's Football Team is in the National Championships again and they play Montanna.

## **Public Comments –**

None.

## Adjournment -

A motion was made, seconded (Moore/Dewald) and carried to adjourn. By roll call, the motion passed with 3 Ayes 1 Absent (Lanier).

Submitted by:

Vondell Spencer Clerk of Council