

Utility Commission
May 1, 2023
DELMAR TOWN HALL & VIA TELECONFERENCE

The regular scheduled meeting of the Delmar Utility Commission was called to order by Commissioner Unsell. 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 were Commissioner Shaffer, Commission Members Dewald and Moore. Key personnel: Town Mgr. Jeff Fleetwood and Clerk of Council Vondell Spencer. Guests: Vince Luca and Denise Garner.

Commissioner Unsell took a roll call for attendance to establish a quorum and all were present.

Commissioner Unsell commented this is the first time in about five years this Commission has five members. Commission Member Moore and Council Member Lanier are new to this Commission. Commissioner Unsell further commented it is a pleasure to have them here.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made, seconded (Dewald/Shaffer) and carried to approve the April 3, 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Unsell took a roll call vote and the motion was passed 4 Ayes 1 Abstain (Lanier).

Unfinished Business –

None.

New Business/Town Manager Report –

Town Mgr. Fleetwood reminded and invited everyone in attendance to the State Street Park rededication on May 7th at 1:00 p.m.

Town Mgr. Fleetwood reported: 1.) Interviews started today for Community Development Coordinator William Hardin's position for the Planning and Zoning Director for the Town of Delmar. 2.) The Heacock Fest that was scheduled this past weekend was postponed and has now been rescheduled for August 27th, same venue and same time. 3.) The Town of Delmar has received the signs for the street dedication on the surface road between McDonald's and Wawa. 4.) Friday, May 12th at 11:00 a.m. the Town of Delmar will have its first annual Milkshake Day at the PD in the training room. There will also be hotdogs and hamburgers. 5.) Yesterday's storm produced a little over 4 inches of rain and a small amount of water accumulated on Connelly Mill Road because of the work that has been done so far. The remaining water that

accumulated should not be an issue after the overlay of asphalt work is completed. 6.) At Gordy Park yesterday after the storm a big tree fell across one of the Little League field fences and was cut up and removed today. Later this week there will be two more trees removed because the trees are actually hollow. 7.) The Town of Delmar did get a grant for Gordy Park cameras. The Town has received bids from contractors and are well within the grant award. 8.) The response from the Town based on the last communication with Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) will go out this week. In the response the Town is requesting an onsite face-to-face meeting with MDE with the Delmar, MD and Delmar, DE Mayors and himself in attendance at this meeting in reference to the issue.

Council Comments –

Commissioner Unsell, Commissioner Shaffer, Commission Member Moore, and Council Member Lanier had no comment.

Commission Member Dewald commented that her nephew's first time at bat in a baseball game last year had a first pitch homerun the day after her father's death. On April 23rd of this year the exact same thing happened. She explained that is the definition of Godwink. A conversation ensued.

Public Comments –

Mayor Bauer commented the Heacock Fest will start at 3:00 p.m. The National Anthem is 4:00 p.m. and then the first band will follow. The band LoCash will wrap up the fest about 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The previously scheduled time for the fest to start was at 1:00 p.m. Due to the heat in August the fest will start at 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment –

A motion was made, seconded (Dewald/Shaffer) and carried to adjourn. By roll call, the motion passed with 5 Ayes.

Clerk of Council

Vondell Spencer