

Town Meeting
Saxis Town Hall
Monday, August 7, 2023 @ 7:00pm— Weather- Sunny with some clouds---Warm 88'

Council Members Present: Lee Miles, Bryan Shreaves, Denise Chance, and Darrell Marshall

Council Members Absent: Donna Croushore, Wayne McCleary

Mayor Denise Drewer- Present Town Clerk Mariann Miller-Present

Town residents present: Ellie Payne, Debbie Hohman, Jan Foerster and Aubrey Justice

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Denise Drewer and Mariann Miller opened with the Lord's Prayer.

The July meeting minutes were reviewed. Darrell motioned to accept the minutes as written and Bryan seconded the motion. Minutes accepted. Unanimously passed.

General Business:

Update on the Mosquito Sprayer: We have the sprayer fixed and back in service. It was repaired/cleaned and serviced.

Brought up in the last meeting: Mosquito Control: Denise Chance brought up that Accomack County does have a commission regarding Mosquito control. Apparently, Ron Wolff has a meeting to discuss yearly. Captain Cove and Greenbackville get sprays twice weekly and get Aerial spraying if needed as well. Mayor said we will investigate it and see where we get with it. See below for update.

<u>Capt.'s Cove/ Greenbackville Mosquito Spraying</u>- Mariann spoke to Margaret Lindsay at Accomack and she transferred me to a lady that could help me find out more information. She told me that Captains Cove and Greenbackville bill the residents an additional tax of \$0.025 per \$100 of assessed value on real property in Greenbackville and Captain's Cove for the purpose of mosquito control. She does not know if this money covers the entire amount, they spend but once the real estate taxes are paid, she sends the proceeds from the additional tax to the treasurer at Captain's Cove and they pay the bills etc. If this is something we want to do, we would have to add more than the \$0.025 as we do not have half as many people or the amount of Real Estate taxes they do.

Island Road-Mayor spoke to David Pruitt and he said" I believe the entire road will be paved once repairs are completed. Mayor says she will get in contact with Dale Pusey or Chris Isdale to see what she can find out. Buses, Ambulances, fire trucks are taking a beating on the equipment. Ellie stated she will talk to Paul-she is trying to get VDOT Bus Safety commission to do something as well. Kirk talked to Delegate Robert Bloxom about the island road as well. Air B&B update- Mayor stated that she has done everything she can do but Accomack County is not giving up that money. We have hit a roadblock. If we could go back to the Board of Supervisors and Directors and get it on the agenda for a meeting, maybe we could talk them into a change. Mayor will talk with Mike Mason. We will table it until the next meeting.

<u>Yard Sale-</u> September 9, 2023-All signs going up tomorrow-Radio and newspaper advertising will be done as well. We will also put on Facebook and do a flyer to be placed at various businesses. There will not be Golf carts this year to rent. The Car Show will be from 10-2

Oyster Roast- All discuss food-Lee and Tammy have the corn all shucked and in the freezer. Lee swapped tickets for corn so that's done. Tammy suggested that we could try hush puppies. Everyone agreed that French fries might be difficult and get soggy—NO FF Tammy also said that we need to get liquid butter and unsalted butter for chowder. Start the chowder a little bit earlier than last year.

Assistance to Enforce Ordinances- Mayor stated that we need someone besides her to enforce the ordinances. Someone off Saxis, with a background in enforcement perhaps. We need someone that can assist with the Grass, boat trailers, cars in yards during different times of the year. Ordinance Enforcement Officer

Bryan said," What about Hance"? Mayor stated that Hance has enough to do and so does she to keep everything going. Maybe think about who you think would do a good job and come back to the next meeting with some suggestions.



<u>Website-</u> Denise Chance stated that she has been talking to Mr. Bell, and he has agreed to get us set up with a web domain. We would have to pay \$450.00 to the host to get it set up and \$12.00 monthly to Google. Your 1st year costs should be approximately \$1600 to \$1700, after that the annual bill should be \$600-\$700. Mr. Bell said he will send us a proposal and give us a demo to start working on. He would come back to show us what to do and it would be good if we had two people that know how to make changes, etc....to the website. He also said there is a Municipality Impact.com that we could set up to accept payments online.

Lee made a motion to get Mr. Bill here to meet about the website on Wednesday. August 16, 2023, and Darrell seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.

Denise also ordered the brochures-250 ... Discussion was had on the condition of the old computers in the town office and that we will need a laptop that can be used for the website. Mayor stated we need two as we have been saying for some time now. Bryan made a motion to purchase a new computer desktop and a laptop for the town business. Darrell seconded the motion. All approved of the motion. Unanimously passed.

Adams trailer-eyesore at the beginning of town. One of the first things you see when you come to the island. If the Fire Co. could burn it, the town would pay someone to get rid of the balance. If we could get more information on it, we could get a lien on the property—Mayor will get a quote. Bryan also said he will contact someone he knows to see if he will do the work. Will work on this and report at next meeting.

Floor Opened

No comments

Floor Closed

Darrell made a motion to pay the bills and Lee seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.

Denise made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Lee seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Open Meeting back up-To pass the July Meeting minutes. Darrell motioned to accept the minutes as written and Bryan seconded the motion. Minutes accepted. Unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned again,

Respectfully submitted,

Mariann Miler Saxis Town Clerk