

TOWN OF BETTERTON
Mayor & Council Meeting
November 12, 2019 @ 7:00 P.M.
Berterton, MD 21610

SCANNED

Mayor Sutton opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. Budget Revision Emergency Ordinance 2019-05.

In Attendance: Mayor Sutton, Councilman Marcy, Councilman Pyfer, Town Manager Greenwell, Town Clerk Dlugoborski. Absent: Councilman Fracassi, Councilman Gilchrest, Town Attorney Yeager.

RESIDENTS: Clyde Warden, Cheryl Fracassi, Ginny Story, Dick Story

Town Manager Greenwell explained what the revision covers.

Mayor Sutton read into record Budget Revision Emergency Ordinance 2019-05. *Councilman Marcy made a motion to accept the budget revision; Councilman Pyfer seconded; all in favor; motion carried. Councilman Marcy made a motion to close public hearing for Budget Revision Emergency Ordinance 2019-05; Councilman Pyfer seconded; all in favor; motion carried.* Ordinance 2019-05 passed. Hearing closed at 7:09 p.m.

The Berterton Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Sutton at 7:09 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Sutton, Councilman Marcy, Councilman Pyfer, Town Manager Greenwell, and Town Clerk Dlugoborski. Absent: Councilman Fracassi, Councilman Gilchrest, Town Attorney Yeager.

RESIDENTS: Clyde Warden, Cheryl Fracassi, Ginny Story, Dick Story

MINUTES: *Councilman Marcy motioned to approve the Mayor and Council Meeting minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting, Mayor and Council Workshop October 22, 2019 meeting and Council Special Meeting Bid Opening November 5, 2019; Seconded by Councilman Pyfer; all in favor, motioned carried.*

FINANCIAL REPORT: *Councilman Pyfer motioned to approve the October 2019 financial report; seconded by Councilman Marcy; all in favor, motioned carried.*

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Sgt. Lodge gave the report for the Month of October 2019: 20 Speed Assignments; 4 Warnings; 3 Citations; 0 DUI Arrest; 1 Criminal Complaint; 1 1st Degree Burglary-under investigation; 0 2nd Degree Assault; 0 CDS Case; 2 Non-criminal Calls for Service. Fiscal Year 2019/20 October Overtime Expense – \$534.23 leaving a balance of \$3,012.26.

GUEST SPEAKERS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BCC: No Report.

BCDC: Candi Sorge reported that the Berterton Heritage Museum closed the end of October for the winter. The train show is scheduled for the weekend of December 7th and 8th from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Line Dancing fund raiser is scheduled for Saturday, November 16th at the Berterton American Legion. Waiting to hear back from Critical Area before moving forward with the canopy over the “Ark”. The Ark will be moved to the Leigh farm the end of November and stored for the winter.

PLANNING: There are two people interested in the vacant spots. Both have been invited to the next planning meeting on November 18th. The commission can have an alternate on the board. Must be a resident of the town to hold a position. Commission has been continuing work on the Comprehensive Plan. Ginny Story and Elizabeth Greenwell attend the Planning Commission conference.

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APPEALS BOARD: No Report.

ROADS: No Report.

PARK: Bathhouse is winterized. Replaced boards at Firefly Park.

SAFETY: No Report

FIRE CO.: Dick Story reported that there will be a pancake dinner held on February 25th. Next Lions Club horse race is scheduled for March 14th.

WATER/SEWER: Mayor Sutton read into record the report submitted by plant operator Jeff Miller.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES: The Town Manager reported that they went over a portion of the renewal application at the last meeting. Will finish at the next meeting on November 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Trash: October 2019 – 9.67 Tons
Recycling: October 2019 – 2.18 Tons

TOWN MANAGER REPORT: Will give full report at the next workshop. Met with Delmarva Power about the grant for electric car charging area at town hall. Emailed Bayside Blvd. residents with an update on the Shoreline project. Received the second rendering for the Arbor Play area. Sent off the third rendering. Estimated start time will be as soon as they can get on the ground in the spring. Possibly March. Discussion about the sand and landscaping ties that are in place now. Mayor Sutton said our town crew can remove and store for later use.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Wheeler Avenue – Councilman Gilcrest joined meeting via phone. Mayor Sutton read Jay Silcox's, Engineer, comments for the bid. The town received one bid from David A. Bramble, Inc. in the amount of \$925,838.40. Town Manager Greenwell has discussed with CDBG and USDA and both agreed that the town does not have to rebid the project. Mr. Silcox recommended to award the bid to David A. Bramble, Inc. *Councilman Marcy motioned to recommend to award the bid to David A. Bramble, Inc.; Councilman Gilcrest seconded; Councilman Pyfer abstained as he is an employee of David A. Bramble, Inc.; Motion carried.*

Discuss Golf Carts – Councilman Marcy stated that this issue is time sensitive and that Town Attorney Yeager should review the rules and regulations. A letter will be sent to Delegate Jay Jacob to move forward and request approval from State Highway to cross Main St. Will discuss more at the council workshop. Mayor Sutton stated that he is not opposed to golf carts in town. Worries about the underage drivers and the speed of vehicles throughout the town.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proclamation – November Municipal Government Works Month – Mayor Sutton read into the record the proclamation.

Present Updated Critical Area Ordinance and Update Maps. The Town Manager presented the updated map and ordinance. Briefed the council on the modification to the buffer. Will be going to the next Critical Area meeting in Crownsville on December 4th to present the Critical Area Ordinance.

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OPEN FORUM / ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 28th & 29th Office Closed Thanksgiving.

Collecting new hats, gloves, scarfs and socks at the Town Hall for the Kent County 4-H Program which is partnering with the Lion's Club Christmas Basket Program.

A motion was made by Councilman Pyfer to close the November 12, 2019 meeting; seconded by Councilman Marcy; all in favor; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Dlugoborski, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: December 10, 2019