

Town of Magnolia

Mayor James Frazier

302-335-5891

Mayor James Frazier called the September 8, 2014 meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order at 6:00 pm. Councilpersons Mike Cohill, Bud Faircloth, Barry Fillman and Scott Fowler were present. Diane Cahall and Ralph Satterfield were present. Visitor Michelle Zerrad was also present.

The agenda for the September meeting was accepted with two additions: Update on Verizon water tower and Heritage Day. Mike Cohill made a motion to approve the agenda with these additions, 2nd by Bud Faircloth - Motion carried.

Mayor Frazier asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Mike Cohill motioned to accept the minutes; 2nd by Bud Faircloth - Motion carried.

Mayor Frazier requested a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Diane advised council that PNC charged us \$91.00 for account deposit slips. Michelle Zerrad received letter stating she must pay 10% of existing balance each month or her water service would be disconnected. She asked council if this was the case, and council agreed that these payments must be received to continue water service. Letters and disconnect notices were also sent to: Alan Forney, Dennis Consalo, Nancy Bailey, Sandra Nauman Sahm and Sue Kleindienst. Barry Fillman made the motion to approve the report and pay the bills; 2nd by Bud Faircloth - Motion carried.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 1,587,000 gallons of water during August 2014. Pump 2: 732,000 gallons. Pump 3: 855,000 gallons. Well levels: 40', 35' and 40'. Pump 2 ran 51.6 hours, Pump 3 ran 51.6 hours. Average chlorine is .275. No major problems; well levels are good with average use of water. Scott recommends we check the flow rates next spring; pumps are pulled up and calibrated. Scott ordered chlorine and testing tablets. Repaired water valve box at McIlvaine School. The town received a Water Quality Award from the Office of Drinking Water. Scott will be doing water sampling for lead & copper next Tuesday or Wednesday. Sample bottles must be delivered to Envirocorp by noon on Thursday. 12 samples will be taken; 10 samples will be used.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: painted hydrant. Storm water drain was clogged in front of Herb Semans, contacted DelDot to fix the problem. Leveled benches in town lot but they need to be replaced. Will paint the top of water hydrants to match gallons rate flow.

Mayor Frazier advised that he saw a resident charging his cell phone with the town electrical outlets behind the town sign. Council will contact electrician Dave Thompson to cover or disconnect the outlets.

Mayor Frazier noted that Barry Fillman and Scott Fowler will be up for reelection in January 2015. Election notice must be posted 20 days prior to the November council meeting. Notices

will be posted at the Post Office, Town Hall, and on the town website. Certificate of intention will be available on the Commissioner of Elections website.

Mayor Frazier advised council that the MVFC parking lot project was a success. The town paid the bill; we have already received reimbursement from the Fire Company for their portion and we will receive the remaining amount from DelDot as soon as it processes through their accounting system.

Heritage Day will begin with a 5K run/walk at 8:00 a.m. Vendors and car show will begin at 9:00 a.m. St. Thomas More band will march in parade.

The Verizon tower contract is almost complete. Town Solicitor Barrett Edwards is finalizing the details. Mayor Frazier is in constant contact with John Harriett from Verizon.

Councilman Barry Fillman will contact Eric Buckson from Kent County regarding trash collection for the town (billed through the county taxes to residents). Several residents in the town have requested information on this service.

Tall grass has been reported at 3/5 West Walnut; Scott Fowler will mow the property and the cost will be added to residents' quarterly water bill.

Council has heard that the Shirley Jarrell property has a pending offer.

Councilman Fillman and his wife Carla would like to initiate a Free Town Library Box. Barry can get the box built at Polytech. Residents can take books and donate books to the library. Michael Cohill made a motion to approve the library; 2nd by Mayor Frazier - motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 pm was made by Mike Cohill and 2nd by Bud Faircloth - Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane P. Cahall, Secretary