

Town of Magnolia

Mayor James Frazier

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Mayor James Frazier called the July 13th, 2015 meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order at 6:00 pm. Councilpersons Mike Cohill, Scott Fowler and Shawn Ramsey were present. Bud Faircloth was absent. Diane Cahall and Ralph Satterfield were present. The Kelly family from Chestnut Ridge development were present; did not realize they do not live in the town limits.

Mayor Frazier requested approval or additions to the published agenda. Mike Cohill motioned to accept the agenda as presented, 2nd by Shawn Ramsey — Motion carried.

Mayor Frazier asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Shawn Ramsey noted his name should be spelled Shawn not Sean, and the startup voltage on a generator should be 85KW not 85,000. Mike Cohill made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections, 2nd by Scott Fowler - Motion carried.

Diane Cahall presented the treasurer's report. Water bills and tax bills were mailed. Annual water report was included in the 2nd quarter water bills. Dennis Consalo has paid \$250 and will be paying another \$200 this week. Other delinquent statements have been mailed for customers owing over 2 quarters. Andrew Detweiler purchased home from Robert Taylor (4860 Irish Hill Road) and will be responsible for water bills. Mike Cohill made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, 2nd by Shawn Ramsey - Motion carried.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: Activities since 6/8/13: Very quiet month. Flushed all hydrants - very clear. 6/20: shut off water at 27B N. Main for plumber to do a repair. Cement work is completed.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 1,290,000 gallons of water during June 2015. Pump 2: 595,000 gallons. Pump 3: 695,000 gallons. Well levels: 31', 26' and 31'. Pump 2 ran 42.4 hours, Pump 3 ran 42.3 hours. Average chlorine is .226. The chlorine level is back on line. Pump 2 is a little low, we have two new chemical pumps.

Councilman Ramsey noted that the properties at 16 & 18 West Walnut are in terrible condition. He will take photos and email them to Mayor Frazier who will take them to the County; hopefully this will get the County back in the notion to assist us. The properties are owned by Larry Washburn.

Mayor Frazier requested Councilman Ramsey to assist with the review of all town ordinances. They will utilize the information provided by real estate broker Edward Hammond regarding rental properties and neglected properties. Shawn Ramsey agreed to assist the Mayor with the review.

Mayor Frazier provided the following information on Community Transportation Fund for sidewalks. He invited Caroline Cohee of DelDOT to attend our council meeting but she declined.

The process starts with the Legislature and each legislator has only \$260,000 for their entire district. The Fire Company parking lot required funding from Rep. Blakey, Sen. Bonini and Rep. Peterman to get the project funded. The town also has to consider not going over any good water lines. Old lines should be replaced before covering them with new concrete. The town will have to acquire estimates after the areas to be replaced/ created are determined.

The pre-application for generator grant was submitted on 6-16-15. It is not formally approved; final submission should be made mid-August. DEMA asked Mayor Frazier several questions, for which he provided information. The match grant requires the town to pay 25 percent of the \$60,000 (estimate provided by Thompson Electric). A formal bid is not required, just three proposals. The prevailing wage was raised from \$15,000 to \$45,000 on a renovation project and from \$100,000 to \$500,000 on a new project, so it will not apply. The decision will not be made until the end of December.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 pm was made by Mike Cohill and 2nd by Shawn Ramsey - Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane P. Cahall, Secretary