

# Town of Magnolia

**Mayor James Frazier**

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Mayor James Frazier called the September 9th, 2013 meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order at 6:00 pm. Councilpersons Michael Cohill, Barry Fillman and Scott Fowler were present. Cheryl Carney was absent. Diane Cahall, Ralph Satterfield and William Walker were also present. Guest Theresa Desanto from SIP Insurance was present to discuss insurance options with the council. The trustees from the Magnolia Methodist church were present with a property question. Mr. Reznik, local resident, was also present with photos to show council that his late mother has painted.

Mayor Frazier gave the floor to the Magnolia Church trustees regarding their request to split the land the parsonage is on. Scott Vautard (270-7942) addressed council stating that they would like to sell the parsonage with land needed to qualify for zoning; front 85 feet and depth 104 feet. The remainder of the land will be re surveyed and added to the church property as a separate parcel. Mayor Frazier entertained a motion to approve this request stating that the rear property must be one whole parcel including the church. Michael Cohill 2nd the motion - motion carried.

Council addressed Mr. Reznik and advised him to contact the Dover Art League for information on how to present his mother's art so it can be viewed by the local community.

Mayor Frazier introduced Theresa Desanto from Strategic Insurance Partners to explain public officials' coverage for employment misconduct, land use, 3rd party lawsuits, etc. Diane provided Theresa with current policy information from Marvel Insurance in Milford. Theresa will contact council in the near future for further required information on the water system, building conditions, previous loss runs, etc. Council noted that we have not filed any insurance claims in the past five years.

The agenda for the October meeting was accepted; Mayor Frazier requested a section for "Mayor's Updates" to be included in future agendas.

Mayor Frazier asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting; Michael Cohill made a motion to accept the minutes; 2nd by Barry Fillman – motion carried.

Mayor Frazier requested a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Barry Fillman made the motion to approve the report and pay the bills; 2nd by Scott Fowler.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 1,340,000 gallons of water during August 2013. Pump 2: 690,000 gallons. Pump 3: 650,000 gallons. Well levels: 32', 27', and 32'. Pump 2 ran 39.8 hours, Pump 3 ran 38.8 hours. Average chlorine is .225. Scott Fowler and Ed Marvel prepared the public health reports and Diane will mail reports to the Division of Drinking Water.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: 8/13/13: Loose storm grate reported by Mike Cohill; was repaired by DelDot on 6/27 and remains ok. 8/13: All mains flushed - no problems. 8/16 - H2O turned on at 6 South Main at 6:00 pm. 8/22: Sidewalk repaired at town hall by Bruce Shockley, also cell tower work in town park. 8/30: Flood light bulbs replaced. 9/3: Missing "N" in Magnolia sign noted, Diane contacted Austin signs to repair the sign. Will flush hydrants next Tuesday - not tomorrow. Will try to remove mold off building and fence.

Mayors updates:

\*Main Street will be repaved during the next few weeks - everyone must exercise patience during this project.

\*Spoke with FEMA regarding flood insurance program (page 42 of our comprehensive plan).

\*Received a call from Wireless Capital Partner in LA regarding cell phone tower.

\*The cost of speed signs is approximately \$4500 each - they appear to be effective. Perhaps we can request funding from Senator Colon Bonini for additional signs.

\*Mayor Frazier contacted town solicitor Barrett Edwards regarding Cheryl Carney's absences from meeting. Ms. Carney missed 3 consecutive meetings, which our charter (542,543) states is reason for dismissal. Council reviewed the letter to be sent to Ms. Carney and approved. Council is encouraged to make suggestions at the October meeting for a replacement.

\*Tom Lane has secured a second building permit for his property on South Main. Mayor Frazier is keeping close contact with Kent County regarding the updates on the properties to be improved.

\* Mayor Frazier sent Fire Company lot information to Barrett Edwards and Earl Dempsey; RFP is almost complete. Ralph Satterfield stated the Fire Company is ready to go.

Barry Fillman reported that Frank Young's mailbox request is complete. The No Parking signs are up and Mr. Young can put up mailbox anytime. We will receive a bill from DelDot for signs and poles.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm made by Michael Cohill and 2nd by Scott Fowler - Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane P. Cahall, Secretary