

**NOTES OF THE MILLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP
May 22, 2012 @ 7:00PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Hocker called the meeting to order at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Hocker, Council Member Gordon, Deputy Mayor Subity, Council Member Kent, Legal Counsel Elizabeth Soucek, Town Manager Debbie Botchie and Eric Evans. Council Member Bennett was not present.

3. NEW BUSINESS:

None

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Review and discuss Ordinance 13-01.

Synopsis: Ordinance 13-01 will amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance; Article X "Conditional Uses", to allow for Temporary Residential Real Estate Sales Centers, and Article XIV "Terminology", to add Temporary Residential Real Estate Sales Center. Item was discussed at a Public Hearing on May 8, 2012 and was tabled by a majority vote of the Town Council.

Council Member Gordon read the synopsis. Legal Counsel Elizabeth Soucek said she had made a few changes and updated the draft using the comments and suggestions from the Council. She said, changes were made in Section C "to pertain only to lots in development,"; Section D states "contiguous to the development,"; Section E will be removed because it confuses Section F; Section F states there will be no renewal of the conditional use; Section G will require a performance bond of \$25,000; and Section I states the developer shall maintain a general plan and current map in the sales center.

B. Review and discuss amendments to Article IX Sign Regulations.

Synopsis: Town Council directed the Town Manager and Code & Building Administrator to work in conjunction with the Planning & Zoning Commission to review the sign regulations for possible amendments.

Council Member Gordon read the synopsis. Code & Building Administrator Eric Evans noted the bold printed indicated added text, strikethrough indicated removed text and the regular text indicated unchanged text. Mr. Evans then proceeded to highlight and discuss some of the changes for the Council such as added definitions; removed the section on type of signs all are now included in definitions; most of the other modifications were mostly linguistic to help clean-up the language. He also remarked sandwich board and political signs were added to the

ordinance. Town Manager Debbie Botchie questioned whether flags, the ones used to attract attention, were covered under the new language. Mr. Evans said they were, and each business would be limited to one flag. Mayor Hocker asked about the size of political signs and Mr. Evans stated he prefers the smaller size in residential areas it has a less cluttered look. Mr. Hocker asked Ms. Soucek to check on how the State regulates political signs. The Council will review the document and discuss further at the June workshop.

C. Organizational Chart – Mayor Hocker

Mayor Hocker introduced the FY13 Organizational Chart and noted there were a few changes due to the passing of Mr. Thomas.

5. PROPERTY OWNERS/AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Mrs. Linda Kent, of Coventry, spoke about the Farmer's Market saying about 250 flyers were distributed in the surrounding towns from Fenwick to Bethany. A vendor meeting was held on May 21, 2012, in which eight of the twelve vendors attended. All seemed very happy with everything. She also mentioned they had selected a smaller ad size to run in the Coastal Point which would save half of what they'd budgeted to spend.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member Subity motioned for adjournment at 8:04pm. Council Member Gordon seconded his motion. All present voted in favor. Motion carried unanimously 4 / 0.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. Schwartz, Town Clerk