

**NOTES OF THE MILLVILLE  
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
April 22, 2014 @ 7:00PM**

In attendance were Mayor Gerry Hocker, Deputy Mayor Robert Gordon, Council Members Joan Bennett, Harry Kent, and Steve Maneri; Town Solicitor Seth Thompson, and Town Clerk Matt Amerling. Town Manager Debbie Botchie was absent.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Hocker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Discuss and possible vote to increase line item 55002/Capital Equipment by \$7,280.00 – Secretary Harry Kent. *Synopsis:* The heat pump that services the older part of Town Hall is no longer working. The attached proposal is from Custom Mechanical, Inc., to replace the unit.

Council Member Harry Kent stated in the early part of the month, Mr. Kent received a phone call from Town Hall, informing him that the heat pump which maintains the center section of the Town Hall building had failed. Mr. Kent stated he met with a technician who showed and explained to Mr. Kent the unit compressor had shorted out, and the circuit board within the unit has been eroded by the outside elements and weather. Mr. Kent further stated the technician informed Mr. Kent that new parts and pieces could be ordered and put into the unit, but Mr. Kent stated that would not make much sense as the units are very old and pre-date the new regulations relative to the Freon, so the units would have to be re-fitted with new Freon. Mr. Kent stated the best choice for the Council to take is to completely replace the unit with a new unit system. Mr. Kent stated the Town currently has a 10C'er and the current standard for minimum is a 13C'er, so Mr. Kent recommended the Town go with a 15C'er because the 13 is "going the way of the 10C'er," so rather than Council put money into something that they know is less effective and has limited life, Mr. Kent would rather have Council put money into something that will have a long service life. Mr. Kent stated because of this, he is looking at an estimated bill of about \$7300, which will replace the outside equipment as well as the inside equipment, and it has to be re-piped because the nature of the replacement of Freon has to be different.

Mayor Hocker asked if the service company gave Mr. Kent an estimated timeframe. Mr. Kent stated the company has to order parts and that is one of the reasons Mr. Kent wanted to get this approved as expeditiously as possible, as well as once the weather turns hotter outside, there will be no air conditioning in the center portion of Town Hall. Council Member Steve Maneri asked if the sum of \$7,280 will cover all costs for replacement and installation. Mr. Kent stated yes. Mr. Maneri asked if the technicians saw any foreseeable thing that may have to be changed. Mr. Kent stated the only thing the technicians had concern with were the gas line because if the other one has been mechanically fastened in the interior, then the technicians would have to find a different route. Ms. Bennett asked if the technicians have to go the other route, will that be inclusive in the \$7300. Mr. Kent stated yes.

Deputy Mayor Gordon motioned to increase line item 55002/Capital Equipment by \$7,280.00. Council Member Steve Maneri seconded the motion. Council Member Bennett voted yes. Council Member Maneri voted yes. Council Member Kent voted yes. Deputy Mayor Gordon voted yes. Mayor Hocker voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**4. PROPERTY OWNERS/AUDIENCE COMMENTS:**

There were no comments.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING – May 13, 2014** – Mayor Hocker announced the next meeting of the Town Council would be a Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, at 7:00 p.m.

**6. ADJOURNMENT:**

Council Member Bennett motioned for adjournment at 7:11 p.m. Deputy Mayor Gordon seconded the motion. All present voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matt Amerling, Town Clerk