

**MINUTES OF THE MILLVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
October 11, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.**

In attendance were Mayor Bob Gordon; Deputy Mayor Steve Maneri; Treasurer Susan Brewer; Secretary Valerie Faden; Council Member Steve Small; AECOM Representative Kyle Gulbranson, Town Manager Debbie Botchie, and Town Code & Building Administrator Eric Evans. Town Executive Assistant Matt Amerling was absent.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Gordon stated tonight's agenda would be reordered so the playground item number seven (7)-B would be switched with the Bishop's Landing item number seven (7)-A due to Mr. Brian Lewis having a prior engagement and needing to leave earlier.

3. ADOPTION OF TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES AND NOTES

A. Adoption of Town Council Minutes – September 13, 2016

B. Adoption of Town Council Workshop Minutes – September 27, 2016

Council Member Valerie Faden motioned to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2016, Town Council meeting, and the September 27, 2016, Town Council Workshop meeting. Council Member Steve Small seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT – Treasurer Susan Brewer

A. September 2016

Treasurer Susan Brewer read the Financial Report for the month ending 9/30/16.

September 30, 2016:

General Revenue: \$ 19,104. Restricted Revenue: \$ 149,634.

General Expenses: 43,582. Restricted Expenses: 139,679.

Council Member Steve Small motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending September 30, 2016. Deputy Mayor Steve Maneri seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Administrative Report for September 2016 – Town Manager

There were no comments.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discuss and possible vote on investment of the Town's funds - Steven Z. Dunn, MBA, WSFS Wealth Investments. *Synopsis:* The Town Manager and Financial Administrator have been researching safe financial investments for the Town's general funds. Mr. Steven Dunn

has met with them and discussed 3 options. Due to the large amount of money to be invested, they thought it best to bring to the full Council for discussion. At the September 27, 2016, Town Council Workshop meeting, Mr. Dunn presented to the Town Council options for Market-Linked CDs. Council agreed to have Mr. Dunn put together an investment offering and present it to Council at this meeting.

Mr. Steven Dunn, of WSFS Wealth Investments, asked Council if they had a chance to look over his proposal. Council stated yes. Mr. Dunn stated he proposed the Town invest seven-hundred-fifty-thousand dollars (\$750,000.00) into three (3) separate CDs, scattered throughout three (3) different banks, so the Town is getting full FDIC insurance up to two-hundred-fifty-thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) per bank. Mr. Dunn further stated he also recommended a market-length CD for a longer-term investment, which is also FDIC-insured and up to two-hundred-fifty-thousand (\$250,000.00), so everything Mr. Dunn proposed is principal protected and backed so the Town cannot lose anything. Mr. Dunn stated three (3) CDs Mr. Dunn recommended are shorter in term because of the interest rate environment – everyone expects interest rates to go up – so Mr. Dunn recommended putting money into three (3) CDs and keeping the terms short but maximizing the yield at the same time. Mr. Dunn stated he anticipates the interest rates will be higher “a few years down the road.” Mr. Dunn stated the longer-term CD he proposed is through J.P. Morgan and it’s linked to exchange traded funds (ETFs); and what they allow investors to do is invest money in the market with FDIC insurance and principal protecting them, so the Town can’t lose anything, but it is at an average of over five percent (5%) over a year, over the last nine (9) years. Mr. Dunn further stated we look at CD rates and nothing FDIC-insured is paying over five percent (5%) right now, and what we’re doing right now is positioning the money for the Town and to get an above-average rate of return versus traditional bank products, but also protect it at the same time.

Council Member Steve Small asked Mr. Dunn if Mr. Dunn is proposing Council take all four (4) of these steps in one (1) action tonight. Mr. Dunn stated yes, buying three (3) regular short-term CDs to maximize the Town’s return and one (1) market-length CD; so only one (1) is tied to the market but it is also FDIC-insured. Mayor Bob Gordon asked for the grand total amount. Mr. Dunn stated one million (\$1 million) dollars. Mr. Small asked Mr. Dunn what the consequences would be if Council took only one (1) or two (2) of these steps tonight and waited about thirty (30) days or sixty (60) days to take the remainder. Mr. Dunn stated there would not really be any negative consequence per se unless interest rates went down, but it has been a long time since rates went up and they are still trending downward, so Mr. Dunn cannot tell Council whether the rates will go up or down – but, based on the situation with the global economy, he thinks the rates will not go up quickly any time soon.

Mr. Small stated he is very impressed with the financially conservative stance the administration and prior Council has set and maintained to make the Town as having the third lowest tax rate of any municipality in the state of Delaware but still having a great rate of growth without any debt and not raising taxes in over a decade, as well as being able to move on two (2) significant capital improvement projects without taking on debt or putting themselves in the position of almost every other township in Sussex County. Mr. Small stated this investment, to him, seems to be a “no-brainer” – if the market goes up seven percent (7%), the Town will not get seven percent (7%); but, worst case, the Town will do two (2), three (3), four (4) times better than the Town has done in the last three (3) years. Mr. Small further stated the Town is sacrificing future

uncertain gain – above a certain amount – in exchange for multiples of the gain with preservation and safety. Mr. Small stated this is a very cautious process to undertake and his commendation to everyone who has brought Council and the Town to this point, and he is going to vote in favor of this investment, and encourages the rest of Council to vote in favor of it. Mr. Walter Bartus, of Huntington Street, asked Mr. Dunn what three (3) banks Mr. Dunn was planning on investing in. Mr. Dunn stated the three (3) are Allied Bank, Bank of New England, and MB Financial Bank, all of which are FDIC-insured, so the only way this could go bad is if the FDIC goes bankrupt.

Mayor Gordon stated he agrees with Mr. Small that this is a “no-brainer,” but, because the Town is growing, Mayor Gordon would also like to look at this in maybe a period of time of six (6) months to see where the Town is at regarding whether the Town is doing well with this investment or is there another time to maybe invest more money in the same type but maybe not moving from bank to bank. Mayor Gordon stated his thanks to everyone for working on this. Mr. Small asked if Council agrees to the four (4) units tonight, will the four (4) be staggered? Mr. Dunn stated yes, it will spread money all the way from two (2) years to five (5) years.

Council Member Faden motioned to approve the plan as proposed with the four (4) investments as they are listed with Allied Bank, the Bank of New England, MB Financial Bank, and J.P. Morgan Efficient Plus Index CD. Mr. Small seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss and possible vote on the proposed design of the Town’s new park/playground – GameTime Representative Brian Lewis. *Synopsis:* For the past eight months, Town representatives, AECOM representative Kyle Gulbranson, and Mr. Lewis have designed plans for the Town’s new park.

Town Manager Debbie Botchie stated she doesn’t think there is a single resident in attendance tonight who doesn’t know about the Town’s newly acquired property, which is four-point-nine-one (4.91) acres and was purchased in September 2015, for eight-hundred-thousand dollars (\$800,000.00). Ms. Botchie stated the Town applied for a grant at the State level and received a two-hundred-thousand dollar (\$200,000.00) reimbursement on the land purchase. Ms. Botchie stated soon after, she met with Mr. Brian Lewis, of GameTime, AECOM representative Kyle Gulbranson, Deputy Mayor Steve Maneri, Town Code & Building Administrator Eric Evans, and Town Executive Assistant Matt Amerling to start working on the design of the park, which everyone present agreed would be a nautically-themed park. Ms. Botchie further stated, unfortunately, Mr. Lewis had a brief video presentation of the park to show tonight but, due to the antiquated Town laptop, the program will not work in conjunction with the software; but there are the display board mock-ups to display the park equipment to be erected and utilized. Ms. Botchie stated there will be a lot of money going into the infrastructure, which Mr. Lewis will explain in detail.

Mr. Brian Lewis, of GameTime, stated he has a great passion for developing parks and playgrounds for children and families and this is a considerable investment for the Town and its families. Mr. Lewis stated after hearing from Ms. Botchie, GameTime put together a small team to come up with some design ideas and Mr. Lewis thinks GameTime has come up with some really great designs for the Town and its children. Mr. Lewis further stated this park, because of its size in particular, offers many opportunities such as fitness equipment, walking trails,

playgrounds for the children, a shelter such as a pavilion; so there is some infrastructure Ms. Botchie referred to and the Town is starting with a blank slate. Mr. Lewis stated GameTime produced some drawings and, thanks to Mr. Gulbranson and AECom, the Town has a layout of the property which gives an idea of what will be located and where. Mr. Lewis stated the property is rather long and narrow, which GameTime took into account during the design, and the walking trail along the back part of the property is a fairly large section of land, with a large, open area which can be used for festivals, events, gatherings, light athletics or just running around. Mr. Lewis stated along the fitness trail, the Town has added four (4) adult (for ages thirteen to a senior citizen sixty- or seventy-years-old) physical fitness machines. Mr. Lewis further stated at the beginning of the trail, there is a little plaza which was designed for gatherings, concessions at events, etc.; and to the rear of that is a state-of-the-art playground GameTime and the Town representatives have come up with relating to a nautical theme. Mr. Lewis stated GameTime is located in Alabama, and the playground equipment is manufactured in the United States. Mr. Lewis stated what has been added to this playground is a cord-rubber surface, which requires the least amount of maintenance – a benefit since all of the Town’s park maintenance will be “in-house” – as well as providing access by wheelchair. Mr. Lewis stated this is important for both children and parents or guardians who are in a wheelchair, so this will provide access to them; and the sidewalks are sized appropriately, so the mobility devices can pass each other at the same time. Mr. Lewis stated this park is very important for the state of Delaware because it doesn’t have a lot of parks like this. Mr. Lewis stated when GameTime and Town representatives designed this park, they tried to tie everything to the walking trail or the parking area so the park may be accessible to everyone, especially those with a disability or a parent with a stroller.

Mr. Lewis stated the Challenge Course shown is very new in the industry, and it brings the “America Ninja Warrior” concept to the parks. Mr. Lewis further stated the Challenge Course is a huge draw to pre-teens, teenagers and young adults, even those who are not into sports such as baseball or football, who can all go out and run an electronically-timed activity course, to strive to do better as you can compare times to others around the world who are running the same course; and it is a draw to those athletes who are also into extreme sports such as BMX biking or skateboarding. Mr. Lewis stated this course is something a father or mother and daughter or son can do together as a family. Mr. Lewis further stated to the right of the Challenge Course is a forty (40)-yard dash, which also has a timing system and can be compared to others around the world. Mr. Lewis stated what he can tell everyone after fifteen (15) years designing parks in this area is there is nothing like this park in Sussex County, nor is there anything like this in Ocean City (Maryland) or as far north as Wilmington (Delaware). Mr. Lewis stated this product is designed to last outside for a long time as Mr. Lewis has seen the same equipment hold up at public schools with about a thousand (1000) kids on it for about two-hundred-fifty (250) days out of the year; so if it holds up well in those conditions, it will hold up very well for the Town.

Mr. Lewis stated GameTime and Town representatives tried to put in some stuff that would be fun for all kids, especially those with a disability – things that can be reached from a wheelchair or maybe a walking device – and something that is fun for the parents as well. Mr. Lewis stated this playground will attract visitors from far away and those people will stay in the area and invest money into the Town’s businesses. Mr. Lewis further stated another amenity added to the park are pickleball courts as pickleball is an extremely popular sport right now for all ages, especially senior citizens, and there are leagues being created right now, and those leagues are

looking for facilities to host their tournaments, which is another great opportunity for the Town. Mr. Lewis stated with all of these amenities, the Town needs to think of the long-term cost, so there is the initial investment the Town will make, then there is the idea of how to maintain the park and what will it cost. Mr. Lewis stated all of the products selected are to be used in an area similar to this park, and GameTime has a high-quality product which has been manufactured by a company that has been around since 1929.

Mr. Lewis stated another thing to take into account is to make the people going to the park feel like they are in a comforting, inviting, safe environment. Mr. Lewis stated to help achieve this safety with this park, there is a good view of the parking area from the playground; the pickleball courts will be fenced so the ball in play can be controlled; the access to the playgrounds have paved surfaces so a person can get in and out of the park safely, from the parking area. Mr. Lewis stated the Town has also applied for a grant from the manufacturer of the playground equipment and the Town was granted one-hundred-three-thousand dollars (\$103,000.00). Mr. Lewis stated his disappointment to not be able to show the video presentation but Ms. Botchie has a link to the video and the public can come in and request to see it. Mr. Lewis stated there was a lot of work and effort that went into the selection of the product for this park as well as the placement of the components.

Mr. Walter Bartus, of Huntington Street, asked from start to finish, how long does Mr. Lewis see the construction of this park going on for? Mr. Lewis stated it could be a six (6) to nine (9) month project as there is a lot infrastructure which needs to take place and this construction will be done in stages, but the actual installment of playground equipment will only take about two (2) to four (4) weeks; however there are many, many components that come before the installment of the equipment. Mr. Lewis stated the walking trail is estimated at a third (1/3) of a mile, so walk around it three (3) times and you've walked a mile. An audience member asked what the material of the walking trail is going to be made out of. Mr. Lewis stated he believes the walking trail will be asphalt, and the parking area is still planning on consisting of clam shells.

An audience member asked about restrooms. AECOM representative Kyle Gulbranson stated there will be two different restroom facilities: the small maintenance facility across from the playground will have restrooms accessible from the outside, and the community building will have restroom facilities inside. An audience member asked what the first construction phase will entail. Mr. Gulbranson stated the first phase will include site preparation, the parking lot, utility preparation, water and electricity, playgrounds, swings, fitness trail, the Challenge Course, and the 40-yard dash area. An audience member asked if the item is approved tonight, how long would it take to complete the phase one project? Mr. Gulbranson stated it would probably be a six (6)-month period. Mr. Bartus asked what the cost for liability insurance is for this. Ms. Botchie stated the Town will not know until it gets the final cost on the project. Mr. Gulbranson stated the survey work out at the park is complete.

Mr. Pat Plocek, of Blue Heron Drive, stated GameTime is a very good company and Mr. Plocek has worked with GameTime since the early 1970s so he is very much aware of their product. Mr. Plocek stated there are some major maintenance issues in the overall design which will need to be reviewed before the Town gets started. Mr. Plocek stated, for example, with the walking trail, there will be vehicles using this path to get to the rear of the property; and with the width of the trail, the edges of the asphalt will start cracking as more and more vehicles use the path. Mr.

Plocek stated rollerbladers also need at least a three (3)-foot width to do the skating action, so there needs to be at least a six (6)-foot width so two may pass at the same time. Mr. Plocek further stated regarding the wood chips in the swing area, although the wood chips meet the safety requirements, it may not meet the disabled access requirements. Mr. Lewis stated the issue with the wood chips was discussed by GameTime and the Town representatives. Mr. Plocek stated what also needs to be taken into account is when/if the Town gets snow and/or strong winds, and having to consider taking down some of the shade structures. Mr. Lewis stated he understands and these shade structures are tested to hold ten (10) pounds (lbs.) per square foot of snow-load and withstand one-hundred-ten (110) mile-per-hour (mph) winds, but that is something to take into consideration and it is a part of the upkeep of maintenance, and Mr. Lewis will definitely recommend to the Town those shade structures be taken down when now builds up in excess of ten pounds. Mr. Lewis stated these issues were considered during the design meetings but there was also a limit on budget. Mr. Lewis further stated the walking trail width was increased so emergency vehicles could access them. Mr. Lewis stated, with the swings and the wood fiber, a swing-set that size will only accommodate six (6) to eight (8) children, and the cost per square foot for the rubber surface is very, very high. Mr. Plocek asked if GameTime could place the rubber surface just underneath the bottom of each swing and have the rest of the area covered in the wood fiber. Mr. Lewis stated yes, and the great thing about having the curbing around the swing-set is that in the future, if the Town wanted to and would want to pay for it, the Town could replace the wood fiber with the rubber-cord.

An audience member stated her one concern is there is no shaded bench noticeable on the plan. Ms. Botchie stated the Town is working on that issue. Mr. Lewis stated there will be some tree planting with the project and that is something taken into account when the furnishings are further planned. Mr. Gulbranson stated the plan is to surround the plaza area with shade trees. Mr. Small asked if, considering everything goes according to plan, this park could be in place by the beginning of next summer or by August. Mr. Lewis stated that would be reasonable.

An audience member asked about the cost for the maintenance. Ms. Botchie stated the Town has several different breakdowns, but let's talk about the playground equipment itself. Ms. Botchie stated should Council approve the playground equipment tonight, the Town will receive the one-hundred-three-thousand dollar (\$103,000.00) grant and the Town would have to have the playground equipment ordered by November 13, 2016. Mr. Lewis stated the playground equipment are the two main composite play structures, but does not include the crab climber or the cave climber. Ms. Botchie stated after the grant money, the cost to the Town for the playground equipment would be one-hundred-fifteen-thousand-three-hundred-three dollars and ninety-three cents (\$115,303.93). Ms. Faden asked if this would be including using the highest level of sustainable material. Mr. Lewis stated yes as sustainability is very important to GameTime as it has its manufacturing facility certified for such a high level. Mr. Plocek stated GameTime equipment is also certified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to meet safety standards for children so that meets the liability issue. Ms. Botchie stated the estimated cost for all of phase one, including site preparation, the parking lot, utility preparation, water and electricity, playgrounds, swings, fitness trail, the Challenge Course, and the 40-yard dash area, will cost one-million-four-hundred-eighty-nine-thousand-seven-hundred-forty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$1,489,741.25). Ms. Botchie stated phase two includes the maintenance building, the community center building, part of the trail, the plaza, the parking lot east of the community center, and utility connections, will cost an estimated six-hundred-

seventy-thousand-two-hundred-forty-five dollars (\$670,245.00). Ms. Botchie stated phase three, which includes fitness stations, pickleball courts, and the pavilion will cost an estimated two-hundred-fifty-thousand-nine-hundred-seventy-five dollars (\$250,975.00). Ms. Botchie stated all together, the estimated total cost will be two-million-four-hundred-ten-thousand-nine-hundred-sixty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2,410,961.25), but minus the one-hundred-three-thousand-three-hundred-seven dollar (\$103,307.00) grant, bringing the estimated total to two-million-three-hundred-seventeen-six-hundred-fifty-four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2,317,654.25). Mr. Gulbranson stated that estimated cost was considered with a twenty-five percent (25%) contingency so the cost could be considerably less. Mr. Lewis stated only phase one could be completed in six (6) to nine (9) months, not the entire park land. Mr. Gulbranson stated the goal would be to have the playground in place by the next Great Pumpkin Festival.

Mr. Maneri stated the community center will be a four-thousand (4,000)-square-foot building, with a kitchen, an office, a small meeting room, another open area, and American with Disabilities Act (ADA)-approved bathrooms. Mr. Maneri stated the building will have heating and air conditioning, and there will be outside lighting, as well as the Town is hoping to get security cameras for the area. Mr. Small asked how many people the new building's big room could hold. Town Code & Building Administrator Eric Evans stated the room will be just a little bigger than the Council chambers, so it could probably fit somewhere around two hundred (200) people. Mr. Small stated that sounds great as it could be a place to host future homeowners' association (HOA) meetings, Boy Scouts meetings, etc. Mr. Small asked the audience if there was anyone who would be opposed to moving forward on this tonight. There was no response from the audience. Mr. Lewis stated his appreciation to everyone for being here tonight and letting him speak and present to them.

Mr. Maneri motioned to approve the design of the park and the purchase of the playground equipment in the amount of two-hundred-six-thousand-six-hundred-fourteen dollars (\$206,614.00), plus the shipping and freight fees of eleven-thousand-nine-hundred-ninety-six dollars and ninety-three cents (\$11,996.93), minus the grant amount of one-hundred-three-thousand-three-hundred-seven dollars (\$103,307.00), for a grand total of one-hundred-fifteen-thousand-three-hundred-three dollars and ninety-three cents (\$115,303.93). Mayor Gordon seconded the motion. Ms. Faden stated she is not ready to vote on this matter as she has gotten a lot of new information tonight and she would like to take some time to digest it all. Ms. Faden stated she would like to table this matter until the next meeting. Mayor Gordon stated the only thing the Town jeopardizes is \$103,000.00, which, to Mayor Gordon, is free money and Council would have to wait to vote on this matter until the November Council meeting as the meeting in two (2) weeks is a workshop meeting and there are no votes at said meeting; but Mayor Gordon sees no reason to delay this process or that it will benefit the Town. Ms. Brewer stated her vote is to move forward on this matter tonight. Mr. Small stated the motion to table is not debatable and is before Council right now. Ms. Botchie stated Mr. Maneri motioned to approve the park design and the purchase of the equipment as stated. Mayor Gordon stated he seconded Mr. Maneri's motion. Mr. Small stated Ms. Faden's motion was to table, and Mr. Small asked if there was a second for that motion. Ms. Faden asked if Mr. Maneri's motion was simply for the equipment. Ms. Botchie stated yes, so the Town can receive its grant. Ms. Faden stated if the motion is just for the equipment purchase, she is OK with that. Ms. Botchie stated Council is speaking of the layout concept of the park but that design can also be changed at any time. Ms. Faden stated she is OK with moving forward with the equipment, and if the design can be changed, she finds that

acceptable as well. Mr. Small asked Ms. Faden if she is withdrawing her motion to table. Ms. Faden stated yes. Mayor Gordon stated he would continue with the original motion as stated and asked for a vote from Council. Motion carried 5-0. Ms. Brewer stated her appreciation to Mr. Plocek for his invaluable contribution to the discussion.

- B.** Discuss and possible vote on an amended record plat for Phase 4B of Bishop's Landing submitted by George, Miles, and Buhr, LLC. The applicant is proposing to adjust lot lines on sixteen (16) lots to accommodate single family homes to be built by Insight Homes.
Synopsis: At the September 26, 2016, Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Committee meeting, the number of lots was corrected from twenty (20) lots to sixteen (16) lots, and the P&Z Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend to Council the approval of the amended record plat for Phase 4B of Bishop's Landing.

Mr. Steve Marsh, of GMB, stated he has been working on Bishop's Landing for many years, and he is here representing Insight Homes at the request of Beazer Homes. Mr. Marsh stated the red lots on the handout represent the sixteen (16) lots purchased by Insight Homes, which is under review tonight, and the one (1) red lot located away from the rest represents the model home, of which its lot line does not need to be revised. Mr. Marsh stated GMB is not asking for a change in density, and Mr. Marsh showed a side-by-side drawing of the approved lots from four years ago, and the lots as proposed tonight. Mr. Marsh stated the only real shift was on the interior lot lines.

Mr. Small stated he would like to ask questions on this matter but he has been advised by Council that he is not allowed to speak, so he is going to recuse himself from the meeting. Mayor Gordon stated Mr. Small could speak and ask questions as a member of the general audience. Mr. Small stated he has no desire to speak from the audience; and he was elected to represent his people and he cannot. Mr. Small exited the meeting and the building.

Ms. Faden asked why there are four (4) lots which don't have any numbers on them. Mr. Marsh stated, originally, Insight Homes was looking at twenty (20) lots and those four (4) lots were part of the twenty (20), but as the way the negotiation went, Insight ended up only buying sixteen (16) lots, and the four lots will remain owned by Beazer Homes. Ms. Faden asked if Beazer is going to build on them. Mr. Marsh stated yes, Beazer is not planning on getting out of the community and this thing with Insight is just the sixteen (16) lots. AECOM representative Kyle Gulbranson stated AECOM did a review of the request for the lot line adjustments, and all of the proposed lot changes still meet the minimum lot size requirements and configurations which were approved in the original Bishop's Landing site plan approval. Mr. Gulbranson stated the average lot line shift is about a foot-and-a-half throughout all sixteen (16) proposed lots, so even with a lot line revision, the lots are still in compliance with the overall residential planned community (RPC) plan for Bishop's Landing. Ms. Botchie asked if the four (4) lots Beazer is going to build on will be "in sync" with the design of what Insight Homes builds. Mr. Marsh stated he has some Insight Homes renderings (he distributed handouts), which Beazer's homebuilding team reviewed as well as the materials which are being used by Insight Homes, and Beazer approved to use the same color scheme and materials as what Insight Homes was using, so the overall look remains consistent. Ms. Brewer asked Mr. Marsh if he knew the name of the model home product. Mr. Marsh stated he does not know the name but he can get back to Council with it.

Mr. Maneri motioned to approve the lot lines as recommended by the Town P&Z. Ms. Brewer seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-1 recusal by Mr. Small. Mr. Small rejoined the meeting and the dais. Mr. Small stated if he had been able to vote on this matter tonight, which Mr. Small believes he should have been able to do, Mr. Small would have supported it. Mr. Small stated he resents horrifically being disenfranchised and essentially politically castrated. Mayor Gordon stated that is unfair. Mr. Small stated no, it is accurate.

8. PROPERTY OWNERS/AUDIENCE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

An audience member stated his appreciation to the Town for sending out the automated “Call-Em-All” phone message to the residents, and he hopes to get more such messages for future meetings. Ms. Botchie stated the Town cannot do a “Call-Em-All” for every meeting, but the meetings are listed on the Town’s website and Facebook page. Ms. Botchie stated if there are any major weather events that occur during the work day, or if there are any special Town events, the Town will be placing out such calls.

Another audience member stated he walks around Town every day and is constantly picking up litter, and he asked if there is any way the Town can put up signs about littering fines. Ms. Botchie stated she does not know how anyone could enforce the no littering. Town Code & Building Administrator Eric Evans stated the Town could contact DelDOT and see if they have signage to go along the roadway.

Mr. Jack Tucker, of Miller & Smith, stated his congratulations to Ms. Botchie for winning the Delaware League of Local Governments’ (DLLG) 2016 Town Manager of the Year award.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING – The next meeting will be the Town’s workshop on October 25, 2016.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Brewer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Ms. Faden seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Amerling, Executive Assistant