

**MINUTES OF THE MILLVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
February 11, 2020 @ 6:00 PM**

In attendance were Mayor Steve Maneri, Secretary Ronald Belinko, Treasurer Peter Michel, Council Member Sharon Brienza, Council Member Barbara Ryer, Town Solicitor Seth Thompson, Town Manager Debbie Botchie, Town Clerk Matt Amerling and GMB Representative Andrew Lyons Jr.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Maneri called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL

Mayor Steve Maneri stated everyone was present.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Council Member Sharon Brienza motioned to go into Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. Council Member Barbara Ryer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- 4. EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Discussion of personnel matters in which the names, competency, qualifications and abilities of individual employees will be discussed.

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN MEETING.

Secretary Ronald Belinko motioned to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the open meeting at 6:35 p.m. Ms. Brienza seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Council went into recess until 7:00 p.m.

5. ADOPTION OF TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

A. Adoption of Town Council Minutes – January 14, 2020

B. Adoption of Town Council Workshop Minutes – January 28, 2020

Council Member Sharon Brienza motioned to adopt the January 14, 2020, Town Council minutes and the January 28, 2020, Town Council Workshop minutes.

Treasurer Peter Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT – Treasurer Peter Michel

A. January 2020

Treasurer Peter Michel read the Financial Report for the month ending 1/31/20.

January 31, 2020:

General Revenue: \$ 65,861. Restricted Revenue: \$ 98,258.
 General Expenses: 44,300. Restricted Expenses: 155,830.

Secretary Ronald Belinko asked what line item 55008, Public Safety Expenses (S.P. Field Office) as for regarding purchases. Town Manager Debbie Botchie stated that item is for when the Town buys supplies such as drinking water and car wash supplies for the Delaware State Police (DSP).

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**A. Administrative Report for January 2020**

Town Manager Debbie Botchie state she, Mayor Steve Maneri, and Treasurer Peter Michel met with the DSP's Major Sean Moriarty and new Captain William Crotty to have conversations regarding finding out exactly what was going on in the Town limits of Millville as far as major crime other than what the Town may see on the crimemapping reports. Ms. Botchie stated Captain Crotty and Major Moriarty assured them there was none and Millville is very safe. Ms. Botchie stated they also talked to the DSP regarding conducting quarterly community outreach programs for Millville's citizens, and the DSP is working on it to make it open to all residents, property owners and businesses. Ms. Botchie stated the DSP will be hosting a meeting here at Town Hall which is open to the public regarding the DSP's "year-end round-up" and it will be on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 6 p.m. Secretary Ronald Belinko stated there were only two (2) violations in Town limits for the month of January so it speaks to the DSP's reporting of little to no crime. Ms. Botchie stated yes, and those violations are usually very minor, such as shoplifting or pulling someone over along Route 26.

MOTION TO ENTER PUBLIC HEARING

Ms. Brienza motioned to enter the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. Mr. Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

8. NEW BUSINESS**A. Public Hearing Notice – Secretary****B. Written Comments**

There were no written comments.

C. Discuss Ordinance 20-08 to amend the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 155, entitled "Zoning," regarding private walkways. *Synopsis:* If approved, Ordinance 20-08 will amend the Code to allow a single private walkway to encroach into the side yard setback, but not within two feet of the property line.

Ms. Botchie stated at the last meeting, Mr. Van Stone approached Council about

considering possibly amending the Zoning Code to allow for walkways in the side yards, and there have been several requests from residents who have been disabled or going to be. Ms. Botchie stated Town Code & Building Official Eric Evans got creative and amended the Code – along with the Town engineer Andrew Lyons Jr. – to allow for a walkway and he is here to explain what will happen with the change and what will be required. Mr. Evans stated rather than have “sidewalks” be in the terminology or the Code, he got creative and called them “private walkways” because a sidewalk is open to the public but this walkway would be for the property owners’ private use. Mr. Evans stated to deal with water run-off, the Town kept the walkway narrow so it can be no wider than three (3) feet and then there will be some space between the house and the walkway and from the walkway to the property line. Mr. Evans stated the Town also determined it didn’t want the walkway any closer than two (2) feet from the property line, which provides two (2) feet of pervious surface for water to evaporate in. Mr. Evans stated the walkway must consist of pavers, bricks, cobblestone, slate, things of that nature, so the base they’re putting it on will be like a paver patio base and there will not be any concrete, but will typically be sand or granite dust. Mr. Evans stated a property owner is only allowed to have one (1) walkway per parcel on the side of their property. Mr. Evans stated the applicant will not be able to put a patio in the side yard. Mr. Evan further stated this ordinance is only necessary for those whose building restriction/setback line is close their house and they have no room between their building restriction/setback line and their house to install a walkway. Mr. Evans stated with this ordinance those who don’t have the room will now be able to put in a walkway.

Mr. Evans stated when someone applies for a walkway, they will fill out a building permit application and provide the same information previously required for any building permit; however, they will also need a topography plan (topo) for a proposed elevation of what the walkway is going to be, so the Town will know which way the water flow is going, how it’s going to drain. Mr. Evans stated when it’s completed, the applicant will provide a final topo so the Town will know the water is going to drain off the property but not onto the neighbor’s property. Mr. Evans stated this will protect the homeowner who’s putting the walkway in, so it can be reviewed and make sure that whoever is putting in the walkway is doing it accordingly, the property owner is getting what they are requesting, and protects the property next to them if there’s any issues with water run-off and the Town will have the topos to show which way the water should be running off and shedding accordingly. GMB Representative Andrew Lyons Jr. stated because some of those side yards are so narrow, the as-built would make sure it is in the proper place. Mayor Maneri asked if there will be no concrete at all. Mr. Evans stated there will be no concrete at all on the private walkways. Mr. Belinko asked how the order will go in terms of whether going to the County, the applicant’s homeowners’ association (HOA), or the Town first. Mr. Evans stated it will be like usual in that the Town will be the last stop for the applicant and they should get County and HOA approval first. Mr. Evans stated if the applicant wants Mr. Evans to stop by and look at the area first or talk to Mr. Evans before taking it to their HOA, that’s fine. Council Member Barbara Ryer stated she likes there is a small form the applicant has to sign before getting their permit, so the applicant is aware what is required and what is not permissible. Mr. Evans stated the Town wants the

property owner to sign the form for two (2) reasons: (1) so the property owner will know the requirements, but also (2) if there is a utility easement between the two properties, there should be a disclosure that if you put a walkway into said easement and if the easement gets used, the property owner has to pay to get the walkway removed.

D. Residents/Property Owner Comments & Questions

There were no comments.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Belinko motioned to close the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. Mr. Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss and possible vote on Ordinance 20-08.

- Mayor Maneri requests individual vote.

Mr. Belinko motioned to approve Ordinance 20-08. Council Member Barbara Ryer seconded the motion. Ms. Ryer voted yes. Mr. Belinko voted yes. Ms. Brienza voted yes. Mr. Michel voted yes. Mayor Maneri voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Discuss and possible vote on Municipal Wide Discount Ambulance Subscription Service Agreement – MVFC EMS Chief John Watson. *Synopsis:* If approved, the agreement would be valid from May 1, 2020, to April 30, 2023.

Mr. John Watson, EMS Chief of the Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC), stated the last three (3) years have gone by very quickly for the discounted municipal-wide ambulance service contract with the Town and Mr. Watson believes it went very well and it financially helped out the MVFC “a great bit.” Mr. Watson stated since the ambulance service was incorporated, the MVFC did raise their ambulance subscription to seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for out-of-town residents – and it was increased because the MVFC added a third ambulance from Memorial Day to Labor Day to account for calls they were missing. Mr. Watson stated the MVFC and EMS tries to take care of residents as much as they can and they quickly realized two (2) ambulances in the summer time was not enough. Mr. Watson stated in 2018, they projected the number of missed calls to be about four-hundred (400), and in 2019, they handled one-hundred-fifty-eight (158) calls with two (2) ambulances already out and there was another call for service. Mr. Watson further stated from Memorial Day to Labor Day, with their third crew, they handled the 158 other calls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., but the disheartening number is the number they didn’t handle, which was two-hundred-nineteen (219) calls; and a little over one-hundred-ninety (190) of them were between the 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. timeframe. Mr. Watson stated the monies they receive from this ambulance subscription help go toward payroll costs and their payroll costs for 2020 is just about one-point-three million dollars (\$1,300,000.00). Mr. Watson stated they have about sixteen (16) full-time employees and twenty-three (23) part-time employees. Mr. Watson stated the service monies have been very helpful and when people

ask him how the MVFC could afford to do such a service with the low amount requested, Mr. Watson tells them the MVFC “just didn’t dream up the numbers” but came to it based on research such as taking the cost to provide the service, which in 2020 is a little over one-point-four million dollars (\$1,400,000.00), deduct out what the projected billing will be – between seven-hundred-thousand dollars (\$700,000.00) and eight-hundred-thousand dollars (\$800,000.00) – and deduct out what they get from the ambulance subscriptions – both town-wide and county-wide – and when doing the math of what it would cost per resident to make up the difference, it would be thirty-five dollars (\$35.00).

Mayor Maneri asked Mr. Watson to explain what the thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) covers. Mr. Watson stated the fee covers not just the property owner, their spouse and children – like it previously did before the subscription service – but also covers anyone, related or not, who is on the property owners’ property, whether it’s a grandchild, a friend or a renter. Mayor Maneri asked regarding number five (5) in the agreement, are the Mayor or a designee supposed to meet at the fire house? Ms. Botchie stated what the MVFC does is they bring the Town administration the MVFC financials, and Town Finance Director Lisa Wynn and Ms. Botchie review the financials to make sure there are no discrepancies.

Ms. Ryer motioned to approve the Municipal Wide Discount Ambulance Subscription Service Agreement. Ms. Brienza seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Discuss and possible vote on Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC) request for grant funds based on the amount the Town has collected during this period – MVFC EMS Chief John Watson. Synopsis: On June 9, 2015, Town Council approved Resolution 16-01, which added an impact fee of \$500 per any new commercial and residential construction within the Town. These monies are put into a grant for the MVFC’s fire/ambulance services. The funds are to only be used for outdated capital items used in the MVFC’s daily operations or to purchase capital items which enhance operations. The funds shall not be used for salary expenses, including budgeted base salaries, overtime and bonuses.

Ms. Botchie stated the Town collected a total amount of ninety-thousand-four-hundred-twelve dollars (\$90,412.00) from the impact fees charged to developers for new construction, which will go toward the MVFC for the purchase of any item except payrolls and bonuses, and will be reimbursed after the MVFC buys the item(s) and provides invoices or receipts to the Town. Mr. John Watson, EMS Chief of the Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC), stated last year, the MVFC had spoken with Council about likely putting this money toward the capital improvement for a new building. Mr. Watson stated as they got closer to that project, they realized they may not have “thought the building through” as clearly as they thought and so they’ve put the building on hold for a while. Mr. Watson stated with the call volumes previously talked about, the MVFC would like to use this year’s grant monies to put toward the purchase of a fourth ambulance because with the increasing calls, there have been more break-downs on their ambulances from wear and tear. Mr. Watson stated with the breakdowns – especially in the summer time – they’ve had to borrow ambulances quite frequently and with increase of calls in all neighboring towns,

it's difficult to borrow ambulances when needed and it's not fair to the citizens to have any delayed response. Mr. Watson further stated after receiving three (3) bids, the MVFC has voted on an ambulance made by Excellence, which, for just the ambulance and lights, will be two-hundred-ninety-nine-thousand dollars (\$299,000.00), but the MVFC will have to add a power-load stretcher system which is just a little over forty-two-thousand dollars (\$42,000.00); the radios are thirteen-thousand-five-hundred-seventy-three dollars (\$13,573.00); the computers (including installation) for the front and back is roughly five-thousand-eight-hundred dollars (\$5,800.00); and for miscellaneous supplies, the cost is roughly five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) in lettering; for a grand total of three-hundred-seventy-thousand dollars (\$370,000.00). Mr. Watson stated the ninety-thousand-four-hundred-twelve dollars (\$90,412.00) the MVFC is requesting will go toward the ambulance cost, and the MVFC will also use funds from the Ocean View grant to go toward it, leaving the MVFC with a two-hundred-thousand dollar (\$200,000.00) balance, but may be covered by a loan with a payback of only one percent (1%). Mayor Maneri stated the EMS is doing a fantastic job with servicing the Town and communities.

Mayor Maneri motioned to approve the Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC) request for grant funds. Ms. Brienza seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- D.** Discuss and possible vote on Ordinance 20-07, to amend the Town Code at Chapter 90, entitled "Licenses," by updating license requirements and incorporating the rental receipt tax, which is removed as Article III of Chapter 132, entitled "Taxation."

Ms. Botchie stated the administration found the license ordinance had to be cleaned up in several different aspects, but the most important part of this ordinance is to place more requirements on rental licenses for rental properties. Ms. Botchie stated this ordinance also incorporates the gross rental receipts tax into the license chapter and takes it out of the taxation chapter. Ms. Botchie stated this ordinance will put more onus on the individuals who rent their residential properties. Ms. Botchie stated there is a notice which will go out to the community HOAs as well as those with rental licenses, and it reads if you rent your property, you will be responsible to the Town to have your license with a copy of the rental property lease agreement the owner intends to utilize for the application year which clearly states the limit of one (1) motor vehicle parking space per bedroom and where applicable, the number of off-street parking spaces available to the rental property. Ms. Botchie stated the parking for rental tenants will be noted on the application, and the number of bedrooms, which will be checked against the Town's property records, will be required to be included on the application. Ms. Botchie stated the overnight occupancy of a residential rental shall not exceed the sum of two (2) persons per bedroom plus an additional two (2) persons, and children under the age of six (6) shall not be counted towards the overall number of occupants. Ms. Botchie stated the property owner shall use reasonable business practices to ensure that the occupants and guests of the residential rental do not create unreasonable noise disturbances, engage in disorderly conduct, or violate provisions of the Code or any applicable law of the State. Ms. Botchie further stated the property owner shall limit their rental occupants to one (1) motor vehicle parking space (not to include a

recreational vehicle) for each bedroom as shown in the property records of the Town, with all off street parking available to the rental property utilized first; and the property owner shall include the parking limitations set forth in this Section in any rental agreement and all other communications with tenants. Ms. Botchie stated the property owner shall provide adequate waste and recycle services. Ms. Botchie stated the Town knows this will be a little difficult to enforce as the Town is not allowed to go into properties unless there are many complaints; however, if the applicant would apply and have on their lease they have three (3) bedrooms, but the Town sees on its property records there are two (2) bedrooms, the Town would be able to go into the property to examine the situation. Ms. Botchie stated the Town is hoping the individuals who rent their property(s) will adhere to this ordinance; they have to provide a copy of the lease showing these requirements are on the renter.

Secretary Ronald Belinko stated there is no question right now there is a need for some kind of restriction on rented property because parking is a problem, and a lot of the HOAs currently have a covenant about no parking on the street. Mr. Belinko stated the “no parking on the streets” is not enforced, and with the passing of this ordinance, Mr. Belinko feels the Town is shifting responsibility from the HOA or property management onto the Town. Ms. Botchie stated the applicant has to put on their application where they will be parking and they can’t park on the street. Mr. Belinko stated yes, they can’t park on the street now, but there is a lot of parking on the street which isn’t being enforced by the property manager and we’ll be shifting responsibility to the Town to enforce this ordinance. Ms. Botchie asked if the people parking on the street are renters. Mr. Belinko stated it’s both renters and full-time property owners, and he is concerned with the shift in this responsibility. Ms. Botchie stated she recognizes Mr. Belinko’s concern but this ordinance is for everyone in Town and not just those in developments; and hopefully this will put more onus on the renter of a property. Treasurer Peter Michel stated he thinks this ordinance will not be on the Town but ultimately the renter and this will keep a renting situation from being something like “twenty-five (25) people to a house,” and if this isn’t codified, the renters will abuse their taking of space one-hundred percent (100%). Mr. Belinko stated enforcement is the key and if roads in a HOA community are private roads, who will enforce this ordinance? Town Solicitor Seth Thompson stated the onus is placed on the person renting the property and the idea here is to get that person to do the right thing up front. Ms. Botchie stated if the renter doesn’t adhere to the Town’s rules by including the lease, the Town can revoke the license and not renew it. Ms. Botchie stated there will always be issues but Mr. Belinko is in a community which should be enforcing its own rules and they should help with this ordinance. Ms. Botchie stated the HOA presidents and renters will get a notice now on this ordinance and will get another reminder in May.

Mayor Maneri stated the suggestion of taking out the parking limitation on the notice and leaving it up to the HOA to enforce. Mr. Belinko stated he would rather see the language in there stating the renter will have to park the two (2) cars in the driveway and any excess vehicles will have to be parked in the overflow parking lot, and it will be for the HOA to enforce. Ms. Botchie stated this notice states the limit of one (1) motor vehicle parking

space per bedroom, so they'll have two-and-a-half (2 ½) parking spaces because the garage is considered a half. Ms. Botchie stated if you have two (2) bedrooms, you're only allowed two (2) vehicles. Ms. Botchie stated if you have three (3) bedrooms, then two (2) vehicles can be parked in the driveway, and the third will have to go to the overflow parking lot; and the renter will have to show it on their lease. Mayor Maneri stated the HOA can enforce the issue by citing the Town ordinance.

Mr. Thompson stated with the rest of the ordinance, definitions were put up front, there is the addition of public event permits, applicants need to come in with a valid State business license as well as proof of liability insurance will have to be submitted. Mr. Thompson stated there are corrections with the language introducing the definitions on page seven (7) having to be taken out and the re-numbering of sections.

Ms. Brienza motioned to approve Ordinance 20-07. Mr. Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

E. Discuss and possible vote on Ordinance 20-09, to amend the Town Code at Chapter 132, entitled "Taxation," to establish a lodging tax. *Synopsis:* If approved, Ordinance 20-09 will implement the Town's authority to charge a 2% lodging tax on hotels, motels and tourist homes. The General Assembly approved a Charter change to allow the Town to charge a 3% lodging tax on June 30, 2019.

Mr. Thompson stated the Charter change mentioned was passed to allow the Town to charge up to three percent (3%) to hotels, motels and tourist homes, and many towns are doing it. Mr. Thompson stated the Town technically doesn't currently have anything that falls in the category of hotel, motel or tourist home. Mr. Thompson stated the ordinance tonight charges two percent (2%) but the Town could go up to three percent (3%) but that's at Council's discretion, and the two percent (2%) follows the Town's gross rental receipt (GRR) tax, which is the same. Ms. Botchie stated a tourist home isn't your regular residential home, but it has to have five (5) bedrooms or more, like a bed-and-breakfast; and the Town already charges the GRR to regular rental homes. Mr. Thompson stated the definition of tourist home is a place where tourists or transient guests, for a consideration, may obtain sleeping accommodations and which has at least five (5) permanent bedrooms for the use of tourists or transient guests, but which does not have cooking facilities for the use of tourists or transient guests. Ms. Botchie stated the Town is just being proactive with this ordinance for if and when any hotel, motel or tourist home comes.

Ms. Brienza motioned to approve Ordinance 20-09. Mr. Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discuss and possible vote on Ordinance 20-06. *Synopsis:* If approved, Ordinance 20-06 will amend the Town of Millville Code to add a new chapter 93, entitled "Littering," to establish a comprehensive program within the Town to control litter. At its January 14, 2020, meeting, Town Council voted 5-0 to table the ordinance until

more research could be done on issues brought up during that meeting.

Town Solicitor Seth Thompson stated the changes made after the January 14 meeting are highlighted on Council's copies. Mr. Thompson stated they added the definition of a "person" which includes artificial entities, and with the development agreement, the Town can hold the developer responsible for keeping the site clean. Mr. Thompson stated there is reference to construction sites, so if you see contractors or sub-contractors littering, they're in violation of the ordinance even though there is the alternative remedy of asking the developer to clean up the site too. Mr. Thompson stated the other aspect was borrowing from the State's prima facie evidence scenario of littering out of a vehicle and basically there is the legal presumption that whoever was operating the vehicle was the one who littered and if you don't know who was operating the vehicle, the presumption goes to the owner of the vehicle; so that is in here as well. Mr. Thompson stated the other question which arose was whether we could do community service, but Mr. Thompson looked at the Town Charter and – in terms of punishment – the Town is only allowed to fine up to one-thousand dollars (\$1000.00).

Mayor Maneri asked if construction site trash blows over to another property, will this ordinance cover such an example. Mr. Thompson stated yes, the littering occurs when someone "casts, throws, drops, discards, dumps, or deposits any sort of litter, rubbish, refuse, or trash on any public property or private property"; so, technically, when they dump it, and it's not in an approved waste container, they've littered. Mr. Dave Moeller, of Blue Heron Drive, stated he commends Council for finally getting this ordinance "on the table" and knows the Town has put a lot of work into it. Mr. Moeller stated he hopes the *Coastal Point* newspaper mentions the Town is taking steps to address this problem.

Ms. Brienza motioned to approve Ordinance 20-06. Ms. Ryer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

11. CITIZENS' PRIVILEGE

Mr. Marshall Gevinson, of Seashore Park Drive, stated regarding the one (1) car per bedroom, the Town may want to consider having the renter put their vehicle tag numbers on the application or lease, otherwise, the Town doesn't know whose car is whose. Mr. Thompson stated the aim of having the property owner list the car numbers up front is the property owner has to identify to those people ahead of time they shouldn't have extra cars there.

Mr. Dave Guetler, of Fort DuPont Drive, asked if Council will approach the rental companies with the Town's ordinances passed tonight. Ms. Botchie stated yes, as she stated earlier, the notice will go out to all rental companies on the Town's books as well as HOA presidents and renters.

Mr. Chris Buteas, of Shorebreak Crossing, asked if the ordinance will take precedence over the HOA covenants. Mr. Thompson stated those two are separate, but you have to comply with both. Mr. Thompson stated a HOA covenant can be more restrictive than a

Town ordinance but not more lenient. Mr. Buteas asked about placing a footnote in the ordinance to make sure people check with their HOA. Mr. Thompson stated it's pretty widely known that if you live in a HOA, you have to abide by both the HOA covenants and the Town Code. Ms. Botchie stated once the HOA is turned over to the residents and they're in charge of their own covenants, the HOA can change their own covenants and, for instance, say "no weekly rentals." Ms. Botchie stated the Town cannot do that but the HOA can because it's its own governance.

Mr. Gevinson asked, regarding the impact fee for new construction, if the impact fee will be increased since the Town is growing. Mayor Maneri stated no, not at this time.

Mr. Glen Bonderencko, of Flagstone Lane, stated because of the high cost of the equipment and possibly adding a new facility for the Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC), the five-hundred dollar (\$500) impact fee doesn't seem like a lot of money to charge. Mr. Bonderencko stated this fee was set five (5) years ago, and things change, so Mr. Bonderencko would like Council to consider at least doubling the fee. Mr. Bonderencko stated the builders don't mind charging ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and increasing their base price, and they may argue the costs have gone up, but the reason they're increasing the base price is because they can, so Mr. Bonderencko thinks it would be a good idea for the Council to reconsider the impact fee price. Mr. Bonderencko stated as the Town grows the EMS chief will have to add a new ambulance and more. Mayor Maneri stated Mr. Bonderencko must remember the MVFC is not just getting the Town grant, but also grants from Ocean View, as well as monies from the State and the County; so there is a lot of monies coming in. Mayor Maneri stated he understands what is being said about raising everything up but the MVFC is getting a lot of monies from all different areas. Mr. Bonderencko stated he thinks five-hundred dollars (\$500) is a nominal fee. Ms. Botchie stated the problem is the cost will not go to the developer or the builder but straight to the buyer.

Mr. Dennis Hartline, of Blue Heron Drive, stated he would like Council to consider – like with the Town projects – put upcoming ordinances up for review and vote on the Town website. Ms. Botchie stated she agrees and will see about getting them up. Mr. Hartline stated it would be great to see a "Knox box" maybe advertised and promoted by the MVFC when the Town park has its grand opening.

Mr. Andrew Artemchuk, of Lone Cedar Landing, regarding the rentals, is this like what Ocean View currently has? Ms. Botchie stated yes. Mr. Artemchuk asked why there are two (2) adults per bedroom, because if there are three (3) bedrooms, it's six (6) adults; so why are there an extra two (2) in the ordinance. Ms. Botchie stated because they have sleeper sofas.

Mr. Dave Moeller, of Blue Heron Drive, asked if there is a penalty for not abiding by Ordinance 20-07. Mr. Thompson stated yes, most of the Town's ordinances fall under the general penalty which is ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00) for the first offense and two-hundred-fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the second. Mr. Moeller asked about Ms. Botchie mentioning revoking someone's license. Ms. Botchie stated if the Town revokes their license, and they still rent, the Town would have to go to court. Mr. Thompson stated yes, if their license

gets revoked, they're operating without a license, and every day they do that is a separate violation.

12. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING - Town Council Workshop Mtg., February 25, 2020

13. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Brienza motioned to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. Mr. Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Amerling, Town Clerk