



MINUTES OF THE MILLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

August 27, 2024

Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call Meeting to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/ Roll Call**

Mayor Belinko called Executive meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the **Pledge of Allegiance**. ***Present:*** Mayor Ronald Belinko, Deputy Mayor Sharon Brienza, Treasurer Joseph Parent, Secretary Debbie Sosnoski, and Council Member Robert Wisgirda. Town Manager Eileen Scerra and Town Solicitor Seth Thompson.

2. **Motion to enter Executive Session**

A motion was made by Ms. Brienza to move into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sosnoski. The motion was carried 5-0.

Executive Session ended at 6:54 p.m.

3. **Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting**

Present: Mayor Ronald Belinko, Deputy Mayor Sharon Brienza, Treasurer Joseph Parent, Secretary Debbie Sosnoski, and Council Member Robert Wisgirda. Town Manager Eileen Scerra, Town Clerk Wendy Mardini and Finance Administrator William Mumford were also present.

A motion was made by Ms. Brienza and seconded by Ms. Sosnoski to come out of executive session and reconvene the regular meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

4. **New Business**

A. Discuss and possible vote on Executive Session items.

Mr. Wisgirda wanted incentives included in this item discussed in the executive session. Mayor Belinko is not in favor of a six-month probationary period for an employee that has worked for the Town over 6 months already.

Ms. Brienza made a motion approving executive session item A1- increasing a part-time employee position to full time position with a six-month probationary period. Ms. Sosnoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1.

Roll Call:

Ron Belinko **Yes**
Sharon Brienza **Yes**
Joe Parent **Yes**
Debbie Sosnoski **Yes**
Robert Wisgirda **No**

Ms. Brienza made a motion approving executive session item B1 – authorizing the Town Manager to hire a full-time administrative assistant. Ms. Sosnoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1.

Roll Call:

Ron Belinko **Yes**
Sharon Brienza **Yes**
Joe Parent **No**
Debbie Sosnoski **Yes**
Robert Wisgirda **Yes**

B. Discuss, consider and possible vote on becoming a host site for Fire & Ice 1/31/25 – 2/2/25 – Emily Mais, Bethany-Fenwick Area Chamber of Commerce spoke to council.

Ms. Mais explained the festival's purpose, which includes ice sculptures, entertainment, and raising money for local nonprofits. She proposes hosting ice sculptures and an ice-skating rink at Evans Park, with the rink being a three-day event.

Bob Wisgirda asked if the sponsor would defray the cost of running the skating rink. Ms. Mais confirmed that sponsors would cover the costs, and the town would only need to provide the space. Joe Parent raised concerns about security and liability, especially for the skating rink. Ms. Mais assured

us that the rink would be secure and that the event insurance would cover any damages.

Sharon Brienza expressed her support for the ice sculptures but not the skating rink. Ron Belinko emphasized the benefits of hosting the festival for the town and local businesses. The council decided to participate in the Fire and Ice Festival with ice sculptures and a bonfire and s'mores event.

Ms. Brienza made a motion to participate in the 2025 Fire & Ice event, Mr. Parent seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Roll Call:

Ron Belinko	Yes
Sharon Brienza	Yes
Joe Parent	Yes
Debbie Sosnoski	Yes
Robert Wisgirda	Yes

C. Presentation on budget v. actual – William Mumford, Finance Administration.

Will Mumford presented the financial report, explaining the differences between cash and accrual accounting. The report includes general fund revenue, general fund expenditures, restricted revenue, and restricted expenses. Mr. Mumford highlighted specific line items, such as licenses and prepaid expenses, and explained their impact on the budget. The council expressed interest in receiving the PowerPoint presentation for further review.

5. **Citizens' Privilege: None**
6. **Announcement of next meeting** – September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
7. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Ms. Brienza made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Sosnoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
WENDY MARDINI
Town Clerk