

**MILTON TOWN COUNCIL
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016, 6:30PM
MILTON LIBRARY, 121 UNION STREET**

The meeting was recorded; the below minutes are a summary of the agenda items.

1. Call to order (6:31pm) by Mayor Jones

Mayor Jones welcomed various guests. Mayor Jones introduced Captain Cornwell. Captain Cornwell introduced the officers of the Milton Police Department and the number of years of service.

Mayor Jones gave background on Chief Longo and his past career.

2. Swearing-in of Police Chief (6:36pm) – Mayor Jones administered Oath to incoming Chief Robert Longo

3. Swearing-in of newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers (6:38pm) – Jack Hudson administered oath to new Mayor elect Theodore Kanakos. Jack Hudson administered oath to Councilman James ‘Sam’ Garde. Kristy Rogers administered Oath to Councilman Michael Cote.

4. Recess (6:44pm) – Mayor Kanakos called recess and offered refreshments to those in attendance. (7:00pm) Mayor Kanakos calls meeting back to order, thanked those who set up the refreshments

5. Moment of silence was observed (7:00pm)

6. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag (7:01pm)

7. Roll Call: (7:03pm)

Emory West – Present

Stell Parker-Selby – Present

Ted Kanakos – Present

Kevin Kelly – Present

James ‘Sam’ Garde – Present

Michael Cote – Present

~~**8. Public Participation: Recognition of past Mayors (7:03pm)**~~

Mayor Kanakos – Announced past mayors and mentioned those that were in attendance. Post, Hudson, Batton, Bushey, Post, Newlands and Jones

~~**9. Recognition of past Mayors Public Participation (7:05pm)**~~

Mayor Kanakos recommended that participation will be limited to 3 minutes to prevent long meetings

Maurice McGrath (137 West Shore Dr) (7:07pm) Tomorrow night Sussex County will be voting on Overbrook Towne Center, many candidates were against the Center. Wants to have members and council to write letters, make calls indicating town against it.

Councilman Garde – Said saw something in Cape Gazette indicating Sussex County Council would not be voting on it tomorrow.

Seth Thompson – Looked at agenda and it was not posted.

10. Requests for Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda (7:10pm) – Councilman Garde requests removal of Police Report and would like to delay reviewing of finance report as well, and remove item 11f

11. Approval of the Consent Agenda: Motion made by Councilman Kelly to approve consent agenda with the removed items. Second by Councilman West. Motion carried.

~~a. Minutes: February 1~~

b. Written Committee Reports

- c. **Written Department Reports: Administrative, Code Enforcement, Project Coordinator, Police, and Public Works**
- d. **Finance Report and Statement of Revenues and Expenditures**
- e. **Purchase of backflow preventers**
- f. **Budget revision and approval of additional funds for the citizen initiated mural project**

12. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda: (7:11pm) None

13. Agenda Approval: Motion made by Councilman Garde. Second by Councilman Parker-Selby. Motion carried.

14. Discussion and possible vote on items removed from the Consent Agenda – items removed but nothing to vote upon.

15. Old Business – Discussion and possible vote on the following items: (7:12pm)

- a. **Resolution 2015-024 Relating to Town Council’s Support of Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc.’s Application to the Delaware Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund** – Seth Thompson recently got all requested documents just this past week. It’s a matter as to whether council has had sufficient time to review and make a decision. Motion made by Councilman Garde to approve resolution of supporting their application. Second by Councilman West. Seth Thompson wanted to bring attention to the item the town added the language reserving the right to contest and Tidewater was ok with that.

16. New Business – Discussion and possible vote on the following items: (7:18pm)

- a. ~~**Appointment/Re-appointment of members to committees, Commissions and Boards Appointment to Town Council**~~ Mayor Kanakos appoints Charles Fleetwood to Town Council to fill council seat vacated by him being elected as Mayor. Motion made by Councilman West to approve appointment. Second by Councilman Kelly. Motion carried.
- b. ~~**Appointment to Town Council Appointment and confirmation of Vice-Mayor, Secretary and Treasurer for Council**~~ Mayor Kanakos has asked Vice-Mayor Parker-Selby to continue as Vice-Mayor and she has accepted. Councilman Cote has agreed to continue in the position as Treasurer. Councilman Garde has agreed to continue as Secretary. Motion by Councilman West to approve recommendations. Second by Councilwoman Parker-Selby.
- e. ~~**Appointment and Confirmation of Vice-Mayor, Secretary and treasurer for Council Appointments/Re-appointments of members to Committees, Commissions and Boards**~~ Mayor Kanakos read list of reappointments and new appointments to each committee.
 - BOA – Reappointment of Brian Dolan & Steve Crawford
 - P & Z – Reappointment of Barry Goodinson & Donald Mazzeo and new appointment of Maurice McGrath
 - Parks & Rec – New appointment of Chris Myers
 - Historic Preservation – Reappointment of Michael Filicko, Barbara Wagner, P. D. Camenisch and the new appointment of Lee Revis-Plank
 - Water Committee – Appointment of Jack Bushey as Chairman
 - Streets & Sidewalks – New appointment of Charles Fleetwood as Chariman, Mary Ann Donnan and Richard Baty

Personnel Committee will consist of Mayor Kanakos, Councilman Kevin Kelly, Councilman Sam Garde and Councilman Charlie Fleetwood-pending his swearing in. Charter and Ordinance – Appoint of Dr. Don Shandler
Water Infrastructure and Land Acquisition Committee– New appointment of Councilman Michael Cote and Jack Bushey
Motion by Councilman West to approve the appointments and reappointments to the committees. Second by Councilman Kelly. Motion Carried.

- d. PKS & Co Audit Services Contract (7:24pm)** Councilman West made a motion to renew contract with PKS. Second by Councilman Cote.
Councilman Garde would like to know that the fee is competitive and acceptable to those with more knowledge than I have.
Councilman Cote indicated in the packet there is no increase from year 1 to year 2 and why it is good to continue with current auditor versus changing companies.
- e. Town Manager hiring process (7:26pm)** Councilman West made motion to accept process. Second by Councilman Garde.

17. Executive Session: (7:27pm) Motion by Councilman West. Second by (unable to tell before recording stopped)

- a.** Strategy sessions, involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to collective bargaining or pending or potential litigation, when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body
- b.** Discussion of the content of documents, excluded from the definition of "public record" in § 10002 of this title where such discussion would disclose the contents of such documents
- c.** Personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees or students are discussed
- d.** Preliminary Land Acquisition

18. Discussion and possible vote on Executive Session items – Motion to go back into regular session by Councilman Garde. Second by Councilman Kelly and Cote
Motion by Councilman Kelly to recommend Area 1 for preliminary discussion regarding acquisition as part of the Town of Milton Water Infrastructure planning, pending a review of availability, suitability and cost assessment of areas 1,2 and 3 as identified by the Water Infrastructure and Land Acquisition Committee. And authorize members of that committee to meet with owners of identified properties for preliminary land acquisition discussions. Second by Councilman Cote. Motion Carried.

19. Adjournment: (9:26pm) Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Cote. Second by Councilman West.