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**Meeting Minutes**  
**Milton Town Council Meeting**  
**Milton Library, 121 Union Street**  
**Monday, September 11, 2017, 6:30pm**

Call to Order

Moment of Silence

Mayor Kanakos and Vice Mayor Kelly paid Tribute to Tom Draper who recently passed away, noting his dedication to the Town of Milton and specifically to the Historical Society.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**Roll Call**

Charles Fleetwood, present  
Emory West, present  
Richard Baty, present  
Michael Cote, present  
Sam Garde, present  
Kevin Kelly, present  
Theodore Kanakos, present

**Also present were:**

Mrs. Rogers –Town Manager  
John Collier – Project Coordinator  
Robert Longo – Chief of Police  
Greg Wingo – Public Works Supervisor  
Seth Thompson – Solicitor

**These Preliminary Minutes:**

These minutes cover only the high points of the meeting. The discussions were recorded, and may be transcribed at a later date. The recording is available in Town Hall. Documents included in the Council Package are not included as attachments to these summary minutes.

**Donation to the Milton Fire Department**

Mayor Kanakos presented the annual donation to the Fire Department.

**Certificates of appreciation for supporting the Milton Police Department, National Night Out**

Chief Longo presented the certificates to members of the Fire Department, the Milton Town staff, and community members for their support of the Police Departments Night Out.

**Public Hearing relating to proposed Ordinances Nos. 2017-009 and 2017-010, and any amendments thereto, making revisions to Chapter 220, Zoning. Article VIII, Signage.** Written comments will be accepted at Town Hall until 5:00pm on September 11, 2017.

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Solicitor Thompson explained the changes being made to 2017-09 and 2017-10 regarding the number of signs and the setback from the sidewalk.

Steve Crawford questioned HOA rules related to compliance with the Ordinances.

No Written Comments received.

**Public Hearing relating to the proposed increases to the Town of Milton's water usage rate, availability fee and impact fee.** Written comments will be accepted at Town Hall until 5:00pm on September 11, 2017.

No written comments or public comments.

### **Public Participation**

Bob Blaney- he and his neighbors were concerned the Fire Departments sirens and the excess noise from them. Said he would be meeting with Johnny Hopkins of the Fire Department in the next couple of weeks.

Elizabeth Zando was concerned with loud cars and motor cycles and was asking if anything could be done to mitigate the noise.

Pat Kennedy suggested that the town notify the Home Owners when there are notifications, for example water was discolored by hydrant flushing or other reasons, possibly by Robo Call.

**Requests for Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda ---None requested**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda on the following items:** Motion was made to approve the agenda by Councilman Fleetwood, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

- a. Written Committee Reports
- b. Written Department Reports: Administrative, Code Enforcement, Project Coordinator, Police, and Public Works
- c. Finance Report, and Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
- d. Minutes: August 7 and August 21, 2017
- e. Executive Session Minutes: August 7 and August 21, 2017

Discussion and possible vote on items removed from the Consent Agenda – none noted

Additions or Corrections to the below listed Agenda Items – Mrs. Rogers requested items 15a, b, and c be discussed prior to Old Business.

### **Agenda Approval**

Motion was made to approve the agenda as amended by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

### **Old Business – Discussion and possible vote on the following items:**

Ordinance 2017-009 to amend Chapter 220 of the Town Code, entitled “Zoning”, regarding signage (repeal the definition of political sign)

Motion to approve was made by Councilman Fleetwood, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

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Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Budget, Fee Schedule, and Pay Scale  
Motion to accept the annual Budget, Fee Schedule and Pay Scale was made by Councilman Fleetwood, seconded by Councilman West and was unanimously approved.

Water Impact Fee, Water Availability Fee, and Water Usage Fee  
Motion to accept the Water Impact Fee, Water Availability Fee, and Water Usage Fee was made by Councilman Fleetwood, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

**New Business – Discussion and possible vote on the following items:**

Endeavor Lodge #17, 117 Chestnut Street, requesting extension to repair sidewalks in accordance with Town Code Chapter 183-1

Motion was made to approve a nine month extension in order to obtain money to finance the repair of the Foundation and sidewalk repairs by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

Partition request from Linda Best, Trustee, 115 Broadkill Road

Motion to approve the partition and that the lot that faces Morris Avenue would have a deed restriction indicating that it would be for residential use by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman Fleetwood and unanimously approved.

Sidewalk waiver request from Adam and Heather Kindl, 101 Church Street

Motion to approve the waiver was made by Councilman West, seconded by Councilman Garde and unanimously approved.

Recommendation from the Sustainability Committee relating to the Allen Harim/ Artesian wastewater treatment plan.

Councilman Garde and Vice Mayor Kelly will attend the Sustainability Committee's next meeting and provide a list of written questions for consideration and the Committee will report back to the Mayor and Council as to possible next steps.

**Executive Session**

Motion was made by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman West to go to Executive Session and was unanimously approved.

**Discussion and vote on Executive Session items.**

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Kelly, seconded by Councilman West to approve Mrs. Rogers and Seth Thompson to use their judgement on the issuing on fine amounts for property owners that were either late in completing sidewalk repairs or did not start the work and was unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman West to approve the "Settlement Agreement and Release" and send to the ACLU, unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Councilman Garde, seconded by Councilman West to approve Ordinances 2017-010 as amended, unanimously approved.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Fleetwood, seconded by Councilman West and unanimously approved.

Very Respectfully Submitted

APPROVED

Richard H. Baty  
Secretary of the Town Council

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