

**Mayor and Council of Federalsburg  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
July 1, 2019 @ 6:00 pm**

The Mayor & Council of Federalsburg held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the Mayor & Council Meeting Room, 118 N Main Street, Federalsburg, Maryland. Those in attendance were Mayor Planner and Councilmembers Bollinger, Phillips and Morean. Also in attendance were Lyndsey Ryan, Town Attorney, staff, citizens and media.

**Welcome**

Mayor Planner opened the meeting at 6:00 pm, he welcomed everyone and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

**Prayer of Invocation - Bishop Ray Parsons**

Bishop Ray Parsons offered a Prayer of Invocation for the Mayor and Council, staff and community.

**Announcement of Closed Session**

Mayor Planner announced that a closed session was held on June 18th, 2019 from 5:30 to 6:30 pm to discuss possible acquisition of real estate.

**Old Business**

**Chambers Park Tennis Court Grant Discussion - George Mayer**

George Mayer stated that he obtained the name of a company (Mid Atlantic Asphalt) that was recommended by Sue Simmons, Caroline County Parks & Rec., for an estimate for replacement of the tennis courts in Chambers Park. He stated that this company is currently working on a similar project in Greensboro. George received and distributed a list of recommendations for the Federalsburg courts from Mid Atlantic Asphalt to the Mayor and Council for review. After review, the Mayor and Council agreed that George Mayer could proceed with getting estimates to have repairs done to the tennis courts and skatepark, and submit for grant funding. It was also agreed that the tennis courts would take priority if the project funds needed to be cut back; and the skatepark could be put in for next year. The courts would be striped for pickle ball also.

**Tree at Triangle - West Central Avenue**

Shirley Greene reported that Steve Dyott had obtained an estimate from Bartlett Tree Service for the Pin Oak trees at the triangle on West Central Avenue. This estimate included a cost to prune the three trees or to cut down the three trees and remove the stumps. Shirley stated that Steve also received two other names of Tree Companies this afternoon and would be following up with them. She stated that Finance would also be following up with Steve on recommendations for where to take the funding.

## **New Business**

### **Second Generation Community Request**

Shirley Greene reported that the Second Generation Community Organization requested permission to park their cars in the town's parking lot across from the Post Office from August 3rd through 11th. There should only be 4 to 5 cars, and Shirley has gotten approval from the Chief of Police. The Mayor and Council agree to approve this request, and ask that they not block the recycling bins.

### **FMA Industrial Park Listing Agreement**

Shirley Greene stated that she provided the Mayor and Council with a copy of an agreement with Gilles Gilkerson for marketing Lot 2 in the Frank Adams Industrial Park. They will list the property for \$25,000 per acre and their commission is 8%. This will be a six month listing. Councilmember Morean made a motion seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero approving the listing agreement with Gilles Gilkerson for Lot 2 in the Frank Adams Industrial Park.

### **July 4th - Extended Holiday Request**

The Mayor and Council determined that they would grant the town staff off on Friday, July 5th, 2019, as declared by Governor Hogan for all state employees. Shirley Greene stated that she polled other towns in Caroline, Talbot and Dorchester counties, as well as Wicomic and Worcester counties and they too were observing July 4th and 5th for the Independence Day holiday. Councilmember Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Morean and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero approving the town staff have off on July 4th and 5th.

### **Planet Aid - Clothing Bins**

Shirley Greene stated that a representative from Planet Aid has requested permission to install shoe and clothing collection boxes in the town parking lot near the recycling bins. Pastor Ray Parsons stated that he cleans up debris from the recycling bins every week and he feels that adding more would only make it worse.

Councilmember Morean made a motion seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to decline Planet Aid's request to place boxes on town property.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Federalsburg Historical Society**

No representatives were present.

### **Federalsburg Lions Club**

No representatives were present.

### **Planning & Zoning Commission**

Councilmember Bollinger reported that at the last meeting, members took a test for Planning officials from the State of Maryland Planning Commission.

### **Federalsburg Volunteer Fire Department**

Councilmember Morean reported that there will be a Chicken BBQ at the FVFC on July 13th from 10 am until sold out. He stated that they have ordered extra chicken for this event because they sold out early last month.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Phillips and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to approve the minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented.

### **Public Comment (2 minutes)**

Mr. Jim Thomas stated that the Federalsburg VFW has installed two of the vehicle charging stations.

### **Mayor & Council Action Items**

#### **Councilmember Windsor**

Nothing at this time.

#### **Councilmember Bollinger**

Nothing at this time.

#### **Councilmember Morean**

Councilmember Morean requested that the Code Enforcement Officer more closely monitor grass being blown into the streets.

#### **Councilmember Phillips**

Nothing at this time.

## **Mayor Planner**

Mayor Planner stated that he agreed with Councilmember Morean regarding grass blown in the streets. Not only is it bad for the town's stormwater management system, it's dangerous for motorcycles.

## **Request for Closed Session**

Mayor Planner requested a closed session as allowed under the Open Meetings Act, Maryland Annotated Code, General Provisions Article. 3-305(b) (2014) 1 (i) (ii), to discuss a personnel matter.

## **Adjournment**

Councilmember Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Phillips and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to close the regular meeting and go into closed session at 6:31 pm to discuss a personnel issue.

Councilmember Morean made a motion seconded by Councilmember Phillips and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:40 pm.

There being no further business, Councilmember Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Morean and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kristy L. Marshall*  
Clerk-Treasurer