

**Town of Perryville
Town Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2015**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor: James Eberhardt, Commissioners: Michelle Linkey, Alan Fox,
Town Administrator: Denise Breder

Absent: Commissioner Barbara Brown, Commissioner Ray Ryan

The Town of Perryville Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Eberhardt.

Pledge to the Flag

The Town Meeting in its entirety can now be listened to on the Town's web site at www.perryvillemd.org.

APPROVAL OF TOWN MEETING AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Fox and seconded by Commissioner Linkey to approve the February 3, 2015 Town Meeting Agenda. **All in Favor: Motion Carried.**

Consent Agenda Items: Mayor Eberhardt asked for a motion regarding the consent agenda items, which include the December 16, 2014 Work Session Minutes and the December 16, 2014 Closed Work Session Meeting Minutes, the January 6, 2015 Town Meeting Minutes, The Cody Richardson Memorial Scholarship fund and CGR Relentless Run 5k & Fun Walk, and the Havre De Grace Rotary Club 5k which are all requiring no further discussion and are considered for unanimous consent.

Motion was made by Commissioner Linkey and seconded by Commissioner Fox to approve the consent agenda items. **All in Favor: Motion Carried.**

Mayor's Report –

Mayor Eberhardt met with State Highway representatives and the Perryville High School officials to try to get a better working exit for the buses at the high school, however, the State Highway was not in favor of putting a traffic light there. The consensus is that the State Highway Administration will allow the school administration to control the lights at St. Marks Road and Heather Lane to allow the buses to be able to get out more efficiently and safely. He also had met with the County on several occasions regarding their Master Water Plan and issues that we and other Municipalities have with it. He attended the work session on the 20th of January and a drug task force meeting with the Mayors on the 22nd and with the HOA of Beacon Point on the 30th.

Swearing in Ceremony – Mayor Eberhardt performed the Oath of Office for Richard Huffstutler to be a Perryville Police Officer. He is a graduate from Perryville High School and very active in the Perryville Fire Company and Emergency Management.

Commissioners' Reports -

Commissioner Fox's Report -

Wastewater Plant Report

Commissioner Fox reported that EESCO put the SBR#1 float and mixer back in the sbr and it is back in service and running well. MD Department of the Environment completed an inspection of the plant and there were 3 corrective actions noted which have been taken care of.

Water Plant Report

Commissioner Fox reported that the Water Plant Staff attended some Confined Space Training Classes. The plant produced 149.9 million gallons of drinking water for 2014.

On the 12th and the 15th Commissioner Fox along with Ms. Breder and the Mayor met with the Water Plant and Wastewater Plant staff to discuss some possible changes in structure. On the 21st the Perryville Economic Development met to try to get some new opportunities started. Yesterday the Mayor, Denise and Commissioner Fox met with MTA over the proposed railroad yard to discuss things that we would like to see done and what funds they had to do those things, we will be meeting with them again next month.

Mayor Eberhardt announced that there is an informational meeting regarding the layover facility which will be held at the Perryville Fire House on February 12 from 5-8 p.m.

Commissioner Linkey's Report -

Commissioner Linkey reported that she attended the regularly scheduled meetings last month. DPW continues to maintain the town owned vehicles and attend some continuing ed. classes and repaired a few water main issues.

Town Administrator Report – Denise Breder

Ms. Breder reported that there will be a Focus Group Meeting regarding the Cable TV Franchise Agreement headed by Cathy McCardell tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Also, Perryville currently has two employment opportunities advertised, one is a MPTC Certified Police Officer and the other is a F/T licensed Water and Sewer Superintendent and both of them are or will be on the web site. The Regional

Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway meeting will be held at Havre De Grace on February 5th at 10 a.m. The Perryville Greenway Committee meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2015. A purchase order was issued for ARRO during the week of January 26th to design the stormwater design for the west side of the tracks for the municipal complex and the Police Department complex. There has been some movement on the Water Plant alternate access agreement between Norfolk Southern and the town and hopefully it will be on the February Work Session for discussion and the March Town Meeting for a vote. The EnerNOC agreement has been cancelled.

Treasurer's Report -

Ms. Breder highlighted portions of the Treasurer's report on behalf of Ms. Deaner, the Financial Director who was not present. She gave the dates for the upcoming budget meetings scheduled for the FY16 Budget. Meetings are scheduled for March 24, March 26, April 2nd, April 9, and April 14th, and hopefully adopt the budget on May 5th, which is posted on the town's website and facebook. We sold a 2003 Chevy Silverado for \$5,600 on Municibid.

Mayor Eberhardt reported that we would like to meet with the County to discuss the proposal by the new Governor to reduce some of the local slots money, Ms. Breder stated that she has heard back from them but it is still up in the air whether we will have a meeting or not. Mayor Eberhardt stated that he will be in Annapolis on Thursday night attending a dinner with the Governor and will be meeting with the legislative staff on Friday morning and will make sure that this topic is mentioned.

Police Report – Lieutenant Miller on behalf of Chief Wernz

Lieutenant Miller reported on behalf of Chief Wernz. He reported that the training has started on the new CAD/RMS and expected to be on-line in October of 2015. Officer Huffstutler graduated from the Maryland Transportation Authority Police Academy on January 8th, after seven months of training. There is a meeting scheduled for January 23 with allied police agencies to plan for upcoming in-service training. LGIT has approved a grant for approximately \$2,400 for body cameras to be discussed at the February Work Session.

Mayor Eberhardt commented that there are a lot of policy issues regarding the use of body cameras that need to be looked into and discussed before making the decision whether to suit our officers up with them.

Outreach Program – Donnell Whittington

Mr. Whittington wanted to thank the Police Department Chief and Lieutenant and Town of Perryville for giving him the chance to work with the kids. He will be reporting to the Navy in 30 days so this will be his last Town Meeting. The overall monthly attendance was 130 and the number of new referrals was 2 and new members were 2. On

February 15th from 4-7 the Outreach Program will be holding a Valentine's Day Party in recognition of teaching love and tolerance to our members and their families where we will be having chili and light refreshments and they would like to invite the Mayor and Town Commissioners and the Administrative staff and the Perryville Police Department. Please let them know in advance if you would like to attend. The Outreach Program participated in Adopt-A-Highway and park cleanup, along with the usual monthly activities. The Outreach Program still has an opening for a Caseworker position, and will soon be posting an opening for the Activities Coordinator position.

Planning and Zoning - Mary Ann Skilling

Ms. Skilling reported that she met with Ray Heil from MTA regarding the sidewalk, parking and making the station more accessible to citizens including ADA compliance in and around the MARC Station. Amanda Hickman spent the week at Harford Community College to work toward getting her certification for home inspections. Ms. Skilling met with Administrative and Planning and Zoning Staff regarding software to better track violations, rental licensing, and payments. The Planning and Zoning Meeting was relocated to Minker Hall the other night due to the issues with the Town Hall. The site plan and subdivision plan for the motel for the proposed Dollar General was discussed at the Planning and Zoning Meeting

From the Floor

Sharon Huffstutler, who resides at 15 Anchor Court in Perryville, wanted to make a comment about the body cameras that were brought up earlier. She wanted the Board to be aware of privacy laws and that police and paramedics are on a lot of calls with them at the County level and patient privacy is a big issue. They had discussed having them in the back of ambulances at one time and it was shot down because of the chance of someone getting a hold of the video and a patient's privacy being at risk.

Old Business

The board was unable to vote on Budget Amendment Ordinance 2015-01 and Budget Amendment Ordinance 2015-02 due to lack of the appropriate majority quorum as required.

New Business

Good Shepherd School Head of the Bay 5k request

Ms. Breder stated that the Good Shepherd 5k request was discussed at the Work Session but she had done a memo to make sure that the board was aware that they were asking for the park road to be closed from 7:45 am-8:45 am and are requesting to have a D.J. to provide music and to act as an Emcee for the event.

Motion was made by Commissioner Linkey and seconded by Commissioner Fox to approve the event request for the Head of the Bay 5k on May 9th. **All in Favor: Motion Carried.**

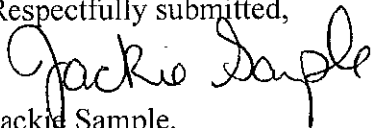
Modification to the Revitalization Grant Program for Arrowhead Properties -
Doreen Smith

Ms. Smith summarized the work that has been completed on the building belonging to Arrowhead properties and what they would like to change. The \$800 that is being discussed is money that has already been allocated to them but was to be used to trim the windows in apartments 4 and 5. Since the windows have been replaced fairly recently and the trim is in good shape the owner is requesting the money be used toward another project. The request is for the \$800 originally allocated for window trim to be used for the concrete slab by the side door which was \$200 and \$600 to be used for the façade improvements.

Motion was made by Commissioner Linkey and seconded by Commissioner Fox to approve the entrance renovations of \$600 but not the \$200 for the concrete slab. **All in Favor: Motion Carried.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Linkey and seconded by Commissioner Fox to adjourn the February 3, 2015 Town Meeting at 7:37 p.m. **All in Favor: Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted,


Jackie Sample,
Town Clerk

Statement Regarding December 16, 2014 Closed Meeting for Inclusion in Minutes of the February 3, 2015 Town Meeting

On December 16, 2014, the Commissioners of Perryville conducted a closed meeting at 8:56 p.m. in accordance with General Provisions Article, Sec. 3-305(b)(14) before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process. Mayor Eberhardt, Commissioners Fox, Linkey and Ryan all voted in favor of conducting the closed meeting. Commissioner Brown was absent. In addition to the Commissioners, the Town Administrator, Denise Breder and the Office Clerk, Michelle Yackanech attended the entire closed session. The discussion focused on some issues related to the operations of the water and wastewater plants. The Board has agreed to continued discussions on this topic. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.