

TOWN OF SYKESVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF JUNE 10, 2002 REGULAR MEETING NO. 02-11

The regular Council meeting of the Town of Sykesville was held on June 10, 2002. Jonathan Herman, Mayor of the Town of Sykesville, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room at the Town House. Mayor Herman, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Debby S. Ellis Eugene E. Johnson, Sr. Charles B. Mullins
Jeannie M. Nichols Russell G. Vreeland

EXCUSED

ABSENCE: Michael H. Burgoyne

STAFF: Matthew H. Candland, Town Manager John R. Williams, Jr., Chief of Police

**ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA:**

Mayor Herman called for additions to the agenda.

Councilmember Ellis -Light at Sandosky & Raincliff

Matthew Candland will check on this and report back.

Councilmember Johnson -Post Office

Matthew Candland reported this was in process, architectural review has been completed. Probably still a couple of months away.

Councilmember Nichols -Burkett Park Bids

Matthew Candland stated that Lynne Ronayne was working on this.

BUSINESS:

Public Safety Report – Chief Williams – Chief Williams presented the Public Safety report for 5/24-6/3/02. He also reported on the following: 1) Cops in Schools Grant, no new information, 2) Police at the Railroad Festival, positive comments, 3)

Matthew Candland stated the S&P Railway Society would like to commend Chris Kaszak for his work at the Railroad Festival.

Chief Williams read a formal statement into the record acknowledging and thanking the Sykesville Fire Police, the Sykesville Auxiliary Police, and the members of the Sykesville Police Department and “commend them for a job well done, and their assistance during the Sykesville Model Railroad Festival... displaying professionalism, patience, understanding and friendliness.”

Matthew Candland commended the Police Chief and the Tourism Director for their work before and during the Railroad Festival.

There was some discussion regarding traffic control on Rte 32.

There was additional discussion regarding the Strawberry Festival, marketing skills, the web site, and the digital camera.

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Schoolhouse Architectural and Structural Report – Discussion – Barbara Lilly – Barbara Lilly reviewed the scope and purpose of the Schoolhouse Architectural and Structural Report.

There was extensive discussion in this regard.

MOTION: Councilmember Mullins motioned to approve the bid from James T. Wollan, for \$12,700, all inclusive.

The motion carried unanimously.

Town Master Plan – Update – Matthew Candland reported that we should receive the final draft “any day now”. He stated that the final draft is expected to be approved by the Planning Commission at their July meeting.

Proposed Town Park Names – Matthew Candland reviewed the process to arrive at the proposed Town Park names.

There was extensive discussion in this regard.

Councilmember Ellis requested the Historic Commission review the names, and Mayor Herman recommended the Planning Commission and the Historic Commission review the list and then bring back to the Council for final approval.

Telephone System – Matthew Candland reviewed the current phone system, the proposed upgraded system, and cellular phones.

There was some discussion in this regard

MOTION: Councilmember Vreeland motioned to accept the bid from CommLink Systems, for \$10,369, for a new phone system at the Town House, Police Department, and Maintenance Dept for FY2002/2003.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Works – Mower Purchase – Matthew Candland stated that staff recommends the purchase of a tractor/mower with the funding for FY2001/2002. The recommendation is for a GRAVELY 260Z, gas engine, 60” deck, purchased on a State Contract for \$8,858.71.

MOTION: Councilmember Mullins motioned to approve the purchase of a GRAVELY 260Z, gas engine, 60” deck, on a State Contract, for \$8,858.71.

The motion carried unanimously.

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OTHER: Only one meeting in June – Mayor Herman stated this as a reminder. The next meeting will be in July.

MISC: Councilmember Nichols stated the MML Scholarships were awarded at the recent MML Dinner. There were 5 scholarships, for \$500 each.

There was some additional discussion regarding POS money, Cooper Park Plans, and grass problem on Oklahoma Road.

OTHER: MML convention in Ocean City – Sunday, June 23 thru Wednesday, June 26, 2002 – Mayor Herman stated this as a reminder.

Sykesville Railroad Festival – Report – No new information.

Sykesville Development Corporation Basket Bingo (proceeds benefit Schoolhouse Museum) – Report – Barbara Lilly reported on this successful fundraiser. She stated the profit was approximately \$4,000. She also gave a brief report on the Homework Club. She commended Chief Williams for his participation with the Homework Club.

Flag Day Ceremony, Friday, June 14, 2002, 7 p.m. here on the Town House lawn – Sykesville American Legion in charge – Mayor Herman stated he would be unable to attend this ceremony this year, and requested Councilmember Burgoyne, Council President, to attend.

MOTION TO RECESS:

Councilmember Nichols motioned to take a 5-minute recess at 8:25 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Councilmember Mullins motioned to close the session at 8:30 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Those in attendance were: Mayor Herman, Councilmembers Ellis, Mullins, Vreeland, Johnson, and Nichols, Matthew Candland, Mary Buckley.

Items discussed were: Swann Property, Harman Property, Mullins Property.

REOPEN SESSION

MOTION: Councilmember Nichols motioned to reopen the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Mullins motioned to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Laura Lindberg
Clerk/Treasurer
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