

TOWN OF PRINCESS ANNE
Legislative Session
Monday May 02, 2022 6:30PM.
LOCATION: Garland Hayward Youth Center
Princess Anne, Maryland, 21853

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 - II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - III. Motion to Accept Agenda
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 - V. Proclamation for National Gun Violence Awareness Day
 - VI. Constant Yield Rate
 - VII. Department Head Report
 - VIII. Citizen Comments
 - IX. Adjournment

- Parts of this meeting may be closed due to Real Estate or Personnel Matters.
- This meeting will be closed to the Public due to COVID 19 concerns.

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- I. Call to order
President Frederick called the meeting to order
 - II. Motion to accept agenda
All accepted the agenda
 - III. Motion to accept April minutes
All accepted the April minutes
 - IV. Proclamation for National Gun Violence Awareness Day
Vice President Garland Hayward stated that he agreed that the proclamation is a good way to bring awareness about gun violence. Commissioner Gardner asked should be proclamation be on the next Town Hall agenda. Clayton Anderson, Town Manager stated that the proclamation would have to be before the June meeting. It can be added to May work session agenda.
All commissioners agreed on proclamation.
 - V. Constant Yield Rate
Town Manager Clayton Anderson stated the Town had a budget meeting last Thursday and apart of the budget the Town would like to keep the constant yield rate the same but the state of Maryland would like to have it lowered.
Brandie Bozman, Finance Department further explained that the Town would need to keep the Constant Yield Rate to keep the same amount of revenue that has been coming into town. There would need to be a .50 cent raise in corporate/personal property tax, current tax rate is 2.25% to 2.50%.

VI. Department Head Report

Finance Department

- Working on getting the new fiscal budget together.
- Finance has taken in 119 payments totaling \$45,974.85
- Sent out 111 payments totaling \$174,431.87
- Completed reporting for the American Rescue Plan Grant
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Public Works Department

- Collected 72.75 tons of trash for the month of April
- GHYC playground and Earl Jordan Park has mulch down for the year.
- Students from Princess Anne Elementary planted milk weeds and picked up loose trash and sticks around the park.
- New streetlights in Somerset Landing will be installed on Monday May 9th.
- In the process of installing new children at play sign and speed limit signs around Town.

Police Department

- PAPD handled 621 calls for service in April. 4% of the incidents remain open/ under investigation while 97% are closed by arrest, other, or unfounded. PAPD issued 128 traffic citations, 207 warnings, and 10 safety equipment repair orders. 2 DUI's, 8 burglaries, 6 assaults, 6 emergency petitions and 11 motor vehicle collisions.
- Monthly grant invoices/ reports were completed for the SCOUT and Somerset County Recovery Court grants. Quarterly state grant reports have been submitted.
- PAPD vehicle auction will be May 21st. We will accept sealed, notarized bids for some bigger items this year in an attempt to gain more participation.

Town Manager

- The Town Partnered with Main Street and Main Street received a grant that will enhance security in the downtown district and possible upgrade Manokin River Park.
- Staff has been in discussion with Crisfield to partner in the Circuit Rider Program.
- Staff is working with UMES on a possible community arts event in the fall.
- Staff attended a community event at Somerset Reserve.
- Beckford Ave. crosswalk project construction meeting.

VII. Citizens Comments

Dale Parker President of CROPA had a few questions for staff. Parker wanted to know is the budget available for residents to see, what is the growth in population, what are the services being provided when discussing the constant yield rate, what is the budget process? He also stated how CROPA's store has been burglarized three times. Town Manager Clayton Anderson responded that the budget is available at Town Hall, the growth in population from the census has been a little below 3500, the

services that are being provided more street lights and maintenance, police calls and increase for infrastructure. Brandie Bozman Finance Director explained that finance gathers information and presents the budget to the commissioners for discussion and negation. Town Attorney Paul Wilber responded that the budget must have a first and second reading before it can be passed.

VIII. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Corbin: The parks are looking nice with the new chains on the swings. Concerned about the speeding on Hampden Avenue.

Commissioner Taylor: Thanked Town Hall staff. Concerned about the dirt bikes in Somerset Landing.

Commissioner Gardner: Thanked the finance department for the budget. Advise residents to clean up grass clippings to prevent clogging of the drains.

Vice President Hayward: Thanked all department heads.

President Lionel Frederick: Thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.

IX. Adjournment