

**TOWN OF COLMAR MANOR  
TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013  
7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Michael E. Hale called the Town Meeting to order.

**PRESENT AT THIS MEETING:**

Michael E. Hale	Mayor
Lois Ann Blue	Council Member – Ward 1
Cynthia Bowden	Council Member – Ward 2
Vivian Jackson	Council Member – Ward 3
Doreatha Epps	Council Member – Ward 4
Daniel Baden	Clerk-Treasurer
John Barr	Town Attorney
Brian Gibson	Chief of Police
Tracy Stone	Media Coordinator

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENTS OF SILENCE**

Mayor Michael E. Hale led the Pledge of Allegiance and called for a Moment of Silence.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Refinance General Obligation Bond 1-2011**

See Agenda and Minutes for Public Hearing.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Michael E. Hale stated that Port Towns Day will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 12pm at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park. Funding has been received from several sources alleviating the cost to the towns.

**COUNCIL WARD REPORTS**

- **Ward 1** – Council Member Blue stated that Ms. Sheets is still in the hospital and is recovering.
- Mrs. Blue also stated that Kaiser will be having a Health Event at Largo Medical Center on September 29, 2013.
- **Ward 2** – Council Member Bowden welcome all students back to school.
- **Ward 3** – Council Member Jackson stated that a citizen gave thanks to Chief Gibson

and Officer Brian Lynch for their quick response at a difficult crucial time. Mrs. Jackson also stated that vacant property at 4201 Monroe Street needs to be cut.

- **Ward 4** – Council Member Epps thanked staff for their hard work.
- Thanks to those who helped locate a former Councilmember father who was missing.
- Thanks to the Prince George’s County Police Department and Mike Goroum for searching for a missing toddler at 6:00 a.m. on a recent morning.
- Ms. Epps also thank all who sent cards and gifts to her significant during his illness.
- Council Member Epps questioned whether the trail would be re-opened by the dyke.

## **POLICE REPORT**

Chief Brian Gibson gave an overview of the August, 2013 Police Report (See attached).

Chief Gibson introduced Teresa King, a Senior Aide who will be working with the Police Department.

## **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Daniel Baden, Clerk-Treasurer gave an overview of the Treasurer’s Report for the month of August 2013.

Mayor Michael E. Hale called for a motion to approve the August Treasurer’s Report.

**Motion** made by Council Member Blue to approve the August Treasurer’s Report. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **ADOPTION RESOLUTION R-2-2013  
REFINANCE GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND 1-2011**

Mr. Barr stated that this item was discussed in the Public Hearing held earlier this evening.

Mayor Michael E. Hale called for a motion to adopt Resolution R-2-2013.

**Motion** made by Council Member Jackson to Adopt Resolution R-2-2013 Refinance General Obligation Bond 1-2011. Seconded by Council Member Epps. Motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION RESOLUTION R-4-2013  
SUPPORT PTCDC COMMUNITY LEGACY APPLICATION**

Daniel Baden stated that Resolution R-4-2013 is a resolution to support the PTCDC Community Legacy Application which is being submitted on behalf of the Port Towns. This resolution is to show the town's support of the project.

Mayor Michael E. Hale called for a motion to introduce and adopt Resolution R-4-2013.

**Motion** made by Council Member Blue to adopt Resolution R-4-2013. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

- **BOND BILL – PURCHASE POLICE BUILDING**

Daniel Baden, Clerk-Treasurer stated that the Town will be pursuing a Bond Bill to purchase the Police building at 3611 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue at the next General Session in January 2014. More information will be following.

- **FY2013 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

Daniel Baden, Clerk-Treasurer stated that the proposed adjustments will bring the FY 2013 Budget current for the auditors. (See attached.)

Mayor Michael E. Hale called for a motion to approve the Budget Adjustments.

**Motion** made by Council Member Blue to approve FY2013 Budget Adjustments. Seconded by Council Member Bowden. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

- **MML FALL CONVENTION ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Michael E. Hale stated that Council Member Jackson, Council Member Epps and himself will be attending the MML Fall Convention this year.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **SENIOR REPORT** – Presidents Connie McClain encouraged new members to join the Seniors Club. Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month.
- **RECREATIONAL REPORT** – Council Member Blue stated the Harvest Fest Party will be held on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. Council Member Blue asked for new members and volunteers to join the Recreation Council. Recreation Meetings are held the first Monday of each Month at 7:00 p.m.

- **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** – Council Member Blue stated the next Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be held on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Police Department.
- **ATHA** – Council Member Bowden stated that at the meeting ATHA did a walkthrough of the several Port Towns Historic buildings and locations.
- **GARDEN CLUB** – Council Member Jackson stated that the next Garden Club meeting will be held on September 14, 2013. Garden Club will be selling mums as a fundraiser.
- **PGCMA REPORT** – Councilmember Epps said that there will be an Affordable Housing Conference in Baltimore at the Hilton. The next PGCMA meeting will be held on September 19, 2013 at 7pm at the Bowie Community Center.
- **PORT TOWNS HEALTH PARTNERSHIP**- No report given.
- **PTCDC** – Council Member Jackson stated that the next meeting will be held on September 24<sup>th</sup>. New Board Members are encouraged to join. The PTCDC is looking for two new Executive Board Members and two Board Members.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Connie McClain 3404 39<sup>th</sup> Place stated that the covers on the air conditioner vents in the gymnasium need to be repaired because they are hanging by chains. The Mayor stated that the cost of equipment to fix the vents at their height has been an issue.

Ms. McClain stated that she has notice shoes hanging for wires on the streets in the town. It gives visitors to the town a negative impression.

Ms. McClain found 20 nails in the street near 40<sup>th</sup> Place and Newton Streets. Council Member Blue said she swept up the nails. She said she has had several nails removed from her tires because of nails. Council Member Jackson suggested a “Clean-Up Day” to be held monthly giving students Community Service in addition to the Public Works daily clean-up efforts.

Mr. Mutchler questioned why the commercial vehicles ordinance is not being enforced. Chief Brian Gibson is to investigate this issue and correct as necessary.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Michael E. Hale called for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion** made by Council Member Blue to adjourn.