

**TOWN OF COLMAR MANOR
TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sadara B. Barrow called for a motion to call the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Motion made by Council Member Blue to call the Town Meeting to order. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. Motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

PRESENT AT THIS MEETING:

Sadara B. Barrow	Mayor
Lois A. 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
Brian Gibson	Chief of Police
John Barr	Town Attorney
Tracy Stone	Media Coordinator
Citizens	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENTS OF SILENCE

Mayor Sadara B. Barrow led the Pledge of Allegiance and called for a Moment of Silence.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION AWARDS

Each Councilmember announced the winner for their perspective wards who won the Christmas Decoration Contest. No winners were present to accept the awards.

PROCLAMATIONS – CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATIONS

A Proclamation was given to Mr. Mutchler for turning 90 years old and being an active resident of the community as well as a former Mayor.

Mayor Barrow announced that Council Member Harrison awarded Council Member Blue the Distinguished Service Award for her twenty two years' service to the town. Councilmember Blue was one of four honorees.

Certificates of Appreciation were given to Dan Baden, Clerk-Treasurer for 25 years' service and John Barr, Town Attorney for 28 years' service to the town.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Barrow gave update on Community items for the holidays. Mayor Barrow also stated how successful the Christmas Dinner was low income individuals.

COUNCIL WARD REPORTS

- **Ward 1** – Council Member Blue told everyone Happy Birthday for the month of January. She would send her condolences to those who may be sick. The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held on January 22nd at 7pm.
- **Ward 2** – Council Member Bowden gave an update on recreation activities in the town hall.
- **Ward 3** – Council Member Jackson stated that the American Legion will be having an indoor yard sale on January 18th. Council Member Jackson also stated that former Mayor Diana Fennell will be sworn in as Delegate on January 14th.
- **Ward 4** – Council Member Epps that the town will be doing a town clean up on March 20th. Council Member Epps stated that the Port Towns CDC is looking for new board members. Their next meeting will be January 20th.

Council Member Epps also gave update on Black History Month Program to be held on February 1, 2015.

REPORT OF WORKSESSION

Mayor Sadara B. Barrow gave an update of the January 6, 2015 Work Session.

TREASURERS REPORT

Dan Baden, Clerk-Treasurer, gave an overview of the December, 2014 Treasurer's Report (see attached).

Motion made by Council Member Blue to accept the December 2014, Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Council Member Bowden. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

POLICE REPORT

Brian Gibson, Chief of Police gave an overview on the December 2014 Police Report

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(See attached).

Chief Brian Gibson also gave an update on Santa with a Badge held on December 12th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 7th - Worksession
October 14th - Public Hearing – Trick or Treating
October 14th – Town Meeting
October 27th – Worksession
November 5th – Worksession
November 12th – Town Meeting

Motion made by Council Member Blue to approve October 2014 and November 2014 minutes. Seconded by Council Member Epps. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

MOVE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

Chief Brian Gibson gave overview of two quotes to move fitness equipment to the town hall. (See attached.)

Chief Gibson asked for approval of the proposal from Fitness Trading Co. in the amount of \$1,950. This price does not include repair of the equipment which occurred during the original move that was conducted by non-professional movers when it was received.

Motion made by Council Member Jackson to approve the quote from Fitness Trading Co. in the amount of \$1,950. Seconded by Council Member Blue. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

Chief Gibson will check on the costs of repairs and warranties and will report back to the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR PRO-TEMP APPOINTMENT

Mayor Barrow recommended that Council Member Jackson become the Mayor Pro-Temp. Councilmember Blue has served in this capacity for the past several years.

Motion made by Council Member Epps to confirm the appointment of Council Member Jackson as Mayor Pro-Temp. Seconded by Council Member Blue. The motion was passed with a vote of 4-0-1. Council Member Jackson abstained.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **SENIOR REPORT** – Mr. Mutchler stated that the seniors wanted to thank the Mayor and Council for their Christmas Luncheon.
- **GARDEN CLUB** – Carrie Biggs-Adam stated that the next meeting will be January 17 at 10am.
- **GREEN TEAM** –They had a recycling workshop that was highly successful. Their next meeting will be held on February 21st and they will discuss composting and rain barrels.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Mutchler said that fire trucks have problems getting around corner at 37th Ave and Lawrence Street because of parking issues during hall rentals. This needs to be addressed.

Inspector Rick Queen stated there is issue regarding fire lanes that he wants to discuss with the Mayor.

Connie McClain thanked the Council for the new recycling cans.

Sharkira Barrow stated that there is a street light near basketball court that goes off and on periodically. It needs to be checked. She suggested having a bulletin board in each ward.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Council Member Blue to go into Closed Session at 8:10PM. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

OPEN SESSION

Motion made by Council Member Blue to go into Open Session at 8:32pm. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. The motion was passed with a vote of 5-0.

Mayor Barrow announced that during the Closed Session it was agreed to table discussion regarding the Police Clerks position until a later time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Blue to adjourn the Town meeting at 8:33pm. Seconded by Council Member Jackson. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.