

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CITY OF SEAFORD MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

March 9, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Mayor Edward H. Butler, Jr., called the Regular Meeting to order with the following present: Councilman J. Rhea Shannon, Councilwoman Leanne Phillips-Lowe, Councilwoman Pat A. Jones, Councilwoman Grace S. Peterson, and Councilman William G. Bennett. Dolores J. Slatcher, City Manager, and Charles D. Anderson, Assistant City Manager were also present.

Councilwoman Jones offered the opening prayer and Mayor Butler led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Butler solicited changes to the agenda. City Manager Slatcher stated there were no changes to the agenda.

Mayor Butler called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 23, 2010. Councilwoman Jones made the motion to approve the Minutes of February 23, 2010. Councilwoman Peterson seconded the motion. Motion so passed with all present voting in favor.

Mayor Butler asked if there was any correspondence. City Manager Slatcher stated there was none.

City Manager Slatcher presented New Business #1, report on costs for the snow storms of February 5 and 10 submitted to Sussex Emergency Operations to submit to the Delaware Emergency Management Agency to submit to the Federal Emergency Management for partial reimbursement. She stated the costs include food provided by the SVFD Ladies Auxiliary, parts and repairs and also includes some street lights that were burnt up because of a failure in a primary wire. She also stated that the reimbursement depends on the entire state and how we qualify, but we are subject to get 75% of the money back.

City Manager Slatcher presented Old Business #1, to announce the Municipal Election to be held April 17, 2010 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. in Council Chambers.

- The Mayor and one Council position are up for election – Mayor Edward H. Butler, Jr. and Councilwoman Leanne Phillips-Lowe (Both have filed for re-election) (To date no one else has filed.)
- Candidate filing deadline is March 26, 2010 prior to 5 p.m.
- Voter registration deadline is March 26, 2010 prior to 5 p.m.
 - (You must be registered at City Hall to vote)

REMINDER OF MEETINGS & SETTING OF NEW MEETINGS:

- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast @ SVFD March 19th starts @ 6:45 a.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- ♦ Councilman Bennett reported that the Electric department had a few minor outages, but other than that were just working on routine maintenance. He also reported the Fire department was getting back in order after the snow storms. Rick Garner has been working on specs for the new induction lighting.
- ♦ Councilman Shannon reported all was good at the Police department.
- ♦ Councilwoman Phillips-Lowe reported that everyone at City Hall was helping to cover shortages with employees out on leave.
- ♦ Councilwoman Jones had nothing to report.
- ♦ Councilwoman Peterson reported the Code department is updating the Code Book. Trish has a meeting this week with some Seaford business people and the Delaware

Economic Development Committee. The WWTF employees are rotating jobs for cross training. The compost loader is being repaired. The Public Works department is working on leaf and limb pick up. She also reported the street sweeper is under repair and will be back in service soon.

There being no other business, Mayor Butler called for a motion to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations.

Mayor Butler called for a motion. Councilwoman Phillips-Lowe made a motion to move to Executive Session. Councilwoman Peterson seconded the motion. Motion so passed with all present voting in favor.

Mayor Butler adjourned the Regular meeting at 7:12 p.m. and moved to Executive Session.

The Executive Session ended at 8:20 p.m. Mayor Butler reopened the regular council meeting. There being no further business he called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Peterson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shannon and so carried with all present voting in favor. The meeting ended at 8:22 p.m.

By: _____
Dolores J. Slatcher, City Manager

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