***Town Meeting***

***Saxis Town Hall***

***Monday, February 3, 2025 @ 7:00pm***

***Swearing in Ceremony-Mrs. Talia Taylor -Court Clerk of Accomack County, came to swear in all recently voted in council members and Mayor Drewer. Once she finished each council member was given a certificate to keep on file.***

***Meeting Begins:***

***Council Members Present: Lee Miles, Bryan Shreaves, Denise Chance, Darrell Marshall, Wayne McCleary, and Beverly Hart***

***Council Members Absent: all present***

***Mayor Denise Drewer- Present***

***Town Clerk Mariann Miller-Present***

***Town residents are present: Ellie Payne, Deborah Hohman, Tammy Miles, Julie Shreves, Bryan Shreaves, Jr. and Brylee Shreaves.***

***The meeting was called to order by Mayor Denise Drewer.***

***Mariann Miller-clerk opened with the Lord’s Prayer.***

***We welcome our newest council member, Beverly Hart, to the chair.***

***November 4, 2024, meeting minutes were read by clerk. Darrell motioned to accept the minutes as written, and Wayne seconded the motion. Minutes accepted. Unanimously passed.***

**General Business**

**Council Members decided to vote on Vice Mayor position. They voted and the clerk read the votes:**

**Lee Miles- 3 votes**

**Bryan Shreaves- 2 votes**

**Denise Chance- 1 vote.**

**The result is that Lee Miles will remain the Vice Mayor for the next term.**

***Pump out Station*-** Lee asked about Pump Out Station. The mayor stated the Pump Out Station is installed. We had to add a new electric pedestal on a separate outlet. A&N has inspected and approved but we are awaiting the Health Department inspection to finalize the project.

***Drain Culverts***- Bryan asked about the drains that are clogged down by the Holiness Church. The mayor said there is trash and construction materials in the drains, and they need to be cleaned out. She will contact David Pruitt to see what we can do.

***The Ditch Project***- Mayor stated the ditch behind Jan Foerster has been cleaned. Hopefully it will help, and we can get started on another ditch soon.

***Jetty Rock Project*** -Taylor & Son will be bringing in the barge Wednesday and plan to start the rock project on Thursday. They will be placing 306 ft of Rock towards the beach. Total project $137.700 so our part is 34,425- Mayor stating that we need to use Covid Monies to cover our part. No vote was taken but everyone on the council agreed to use the Covid money to cover our part of the project.

***Port Authority Meeting***- Meeting is Feb 13- We will apply for a grant to repair and/or replace the electricity at the Harbor. We will submit our presentation to them and wait until May for the results to be sent to us.

***Transit Tax Ordinance*** – We have been working on an Ordinance for the Transit Tax for the Air B&B’s. We have a draft but need more information. We will work on it once things settle down.

The mayor said that Beverly Hart was on the zoning board and is now a council member. We need to replace her spot. Lee motioned to replace Beverly Hart with David Hart. Wayne seconded the motion. All the council agreed. Unanimously passed.

Speeding in town. Adam is back to speeding again in the loud car. Bryan said one night a few weeks ago, “I had two deputies come over, but he was parked so they can’t do anything. He suggested Selective Patrol-4 hr. shifts, $40 per hour. Something to think about doing. Beverly said she would talk to Adam.

A question from council; what are we doing about the Playground equipment? Lee said he will contact Parks & Recreation to see if they have any old equipment they are not using, etc. Mariann will look for grants for equipment as well. What about the boats at the dock by Sunset Café, are they allowed to park there? No, they are not supposed to be there but that is county property. They are aware of it, but they have to come over and catch them.

Oyster Roast 2025- will be October 18. Denise and Mr. Bell are working on the home page for the Saxis Island website.

**Open Floor**

**Closed Floor**

**Lee motioned to pay the bills.**

**Darrell 2nd the motion**

**Unanimously passed.**

**Darrell motioned to adjourn the meeting.**

**Denise 2nd the motion.**

**Unanimously passed.**

**Meeting adjourned.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Mariann Miller**