

**TOWN of SURGOINSVILLE  
BOARD of MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

**BMA Meeting Minutes  
Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, @ 6pm**

The BMA session of the Surgoinsville Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00p.m. in the Surgoinsville City Hall after public notice was published on *Town of Surgoinsville – City Hall* Facebook Page and posted at City Hall, Surgoinsville Utility District, Post Office, & Surgoinsville Public Library on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**INVOCATION**

Mayor Graham did the invocation and asked Alderman Hoss to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Graham requested a roll call for the record of attendance as follows:

**Present**

Mayor Graham  
Vice-Mayor Jarnagin  
Alderman Collier  
Alderman Mierek

Alderman Bishop  
Alderman Hoss

**Absent**

Alderman Sandidge

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINUTES**

- November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - BMA Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Alderman Mierek to approve the November minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. The voting was unanimous in favor to approve the minutes as written.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- Police Chief Hammonds read the November 2024 Police Report. Assistant Fire Chief Denny Steele, Fire Department Report for November 2024. Mayor Graham expressed his gratitude for the Fire Department's assistance with getting the two trucks that were recently purchased ready for use. Donnie Morrison read the Maintenance for November 2024. The November 2024 *Daily Vehicle Inspection Checklist* for each vehicle, November Work Orders, & November Animal

Control Log were emailed to each Board Member for review. Mayor Graham expressed his gratitude to the Maintenance Department for their hard work with getting the Christmas light repaired and displayed. Sewer Report provided for November 2024. A motion was made by Alderman Mierek to approve the November reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. The voting was unanimous in favor of approving the reports as written.

### **FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS**

- Megan Gentry, City Recorder, provided *Summary Financial Statement and Tax Aggregate Report – Summary* for all funds in November 2024.

### **VISITORS**

- Chasity Reid, Public Affairs Specialist with U.S. Small Business Administration, approached the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to inform them about Disaster Loans. Chasity provided a packet with additional details, along with her contact information.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- State Representative Gary Hicks Jr swore in Alderman Bishop, Alderman Collier, and Alderman Jarnigan
- Consider the appropriate Budget Amendment of \$2,200 to 110-42200-332 to equip and stripe/sticker the 2015 Chevy 2500. A motion was made by Alderman Mierek. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hoss. The voting was unanimous in favor of approving.
- Consider authorizing Fire Chief Suthers to purchase the install on the 2015 Chevy 2500 to be striped and labeled in the amount of \$900 by Provision Graphics and to purchase the install on the 2018 Dodge 3500 to be labeled in the amount of \$150 by Provision Graphics. A motion was made by Alderman Hoss. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.
- Consider declaring the 2013 Impala as surplus. A motion was made by Alderman Bishop. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mierek. The voting was unanimous in favor of approving.
- Consider authorizing Police Chief Hammonds and/or Fire Chief Suthers to list the 2013 Impala on GovDeals. A motion was made by Alderman Hoss. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mierek. The voting was unanimous in favor of approving.
- Consider Resolution No. 158-2024 which authorizes Mayor Graham to make, sign, and submit an application requesting FY2025 Community Development Block Grant funds. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Jarnigan. The motion was seconded Alderman Collier. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.
- Consider the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 179-2024 which is an ordinance regarding sewer rates. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Jarnigan. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hoss. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.

- Consider approving the purchase for snow plow adapter brackets & wiring for 2018 Dodge 3500. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Jarnigan to authorize Donnie Morrison to purchase all necessary items. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Jarnigan to approve the HVAC Service Order Invoice from Brinegar Heating & Air Condition in the amount of \$1050 for the heat pump repair at 1034 Main Street. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Jarnigan to approve Invoice# 519 in the amount of \$5,000.00 and Invoice# 540 in the amount of \$2,085.31 from ITH Fleet Maintenance for services completed on the 2022 Freightliner Garbage Truck. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bishop. A roll call vote was obtained. Alderman Collier abstained.
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Jarnigan to authorize Police Chief Hammonds to purchase a laptop for the Sewer Department to utilize with to read the flowmeter. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mierek. A roll call vote was obtained in favor of approving.

#### **COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS**

- Alderman Mierek provided an update regarding the Surgoinsville Community Kitchen. The first event will be held November 25<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm. Volunteers can arrive at 4:30pm. Alderman Mierek states that food items as well as monetary donations are accepted for these dinners.
- Johnny Greer reminded the Board of the \$5,000 donation that was received from Cardinal Glass last year for a pavilion at the Riverfront Park.
- Johnny Greer discussed options of building a deck while utilizing the ferry. Greer suggested a 40' deck, approximately 12' wide with a floor 3.5" off the ground. Then utilize the sides of the ferry boat and bolt to the sides.

#### **COUNCIL REQUESTS**

- Alderman Collier requested that Animal Control be added to the January 2025 Workshop.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The BMA Meeting was dismissed at 6:39 pm.

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*Merrell Graham, Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

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*Megan Gentry, Recorder*