

The Pearisburg Town Council met in Regular Session on August 12, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pearisburg Town Hall. Present for the Meeting were: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Munsey, Williams, Journell, Eaton, and Clark; Town Manager Vittum; Town Attorney Hartley; Chief Martin ; Town Engineer Tawney and Town Clerk Harless. Also present was Butch Mullins, Virginian Leader.

Councilman Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

Williams made a motion to approve the July 8, 2014 Regular Council and July 21, 2014 and August 7, 2014 Special Meeting minutes. Munsey seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Harrell and Clark. The motion carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Council approved the following Consent Items and Reports: Police, Finance, Library, Recreation, Building Permit, Manager, Water and Fire for July 2014.

Journell reported on the Public Safety Committee. She reported that Paul Vinson was off due to an injury and Adam Burton will be off due to a medical issue. The police department has a vehicle (2009 Dodge) with a failing engine. The town will keep a 2007 vehicle in service as a back up to this unit. Cost of repair is \$7000 and may not be worth it. The Dodge has 70,000 miles on it. There were no recommendations.

Munsey reported on the Property and Recreation Committee. He stated that staff had met with Chris McKlarney to discuss any changes that will be needed for the boat landing. The gate entering the park will be moved back 150 feet to allow for vehicles towing a boat to turn. The parking spaces for vehicles will be re-arranged. We discussed placing a single seat SST in the corner of the parking lot. When the gate is moved back posts will be placed every 5 feet, no fence will be put back up. The changes were sent back to Mark Cline at Anderson and Associates. The Town Pool closed early for the season due to mechanical problems. Staff is looking for suggestions for landscaping behind the sculpture at the Town Hall. There were no recommendations. Eaton asked how bad the mechanical problem was at the pool. Munsey stated that the pump and vacuum was out on the baby pool. The chlorinator was not working for both pools.

Eaton reported on the Finance Committee. She reported that they had discussed Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and reviewed collection efforts currently underway. Staff will begin implementing the DMV stops by September.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council approve a Business Assistance Grant to Grants Store in the amount of \$5,000. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Williams reported on the Public Works Committee. He stated that the water loss for June was 31.48%. The wall on Willow Circle has been completed. The Bluff City Bypass hydraulic analysis project is almost 50% completed. He stated that several leaks had been found by the GCPSA leak detection investigation and these have been or will be repaired.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council release the Carilion Clinic Medical Office Building bond in the amount of \$5,000. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Vittum reported that staff had met with Spectrum Design about potential renovations to the Pearisburg Community Center. Council met with Spectrum who had several representatives that did a planning/discussion workshop. They should be reporting back some of the results from the workshop. Munsey asked about how old the estimate from Waco for \$16,000 was on the asbestos removal. Munsey thinks it would be a good idea to remove that asbestos and fix the leak. Tawney stated that he and Wilson had contacted someone at Celanese that works with the gas boilers to meet and discuss with them our problem and see if they have someone that could assist us. Vittum stated that staff would get an updated cost from Waco for September meeting.

Vittum reported on the Planning Project Dianne Dinger is working on. He met with Keith and Marie Zawistowski with the Design Build lab at Virginia Tech. They may assist us on future projects by getting a student to do a thesis project on looking at a potential farmers market location. We should have more information on that within the next 30 days. He informed Council of an electronic newsletter that staff will be linking to the town website. Staff is continuing work on the Farm to Fork program. The program seems to be very successful. Fall classes are being scheduled. The feedback on the hospitality of the Town from the Konnarock Group was very good. The Town was featured in an article in the Appalachian Trail Journal. Clark asked about the AT decals and how to get more of them. He stated that Joseph Yost of the Giles Historical Society would be doing the Olde Towne portion as a representative of the Historical Society.

Council did not have any recommendation for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at this time.

A Parade Permit was submitted by Pearisburg Eye Associates. Clark stated that Tazewell will be blocked off and closed from 9 to 11 and Jackie Clark may have mentioned vendors. Staff get with Jackie Clark about their plans for the event on Tazewell. Eaton does not think it would take long. Hartley asked what the town has regarding runs. We need something in writing about what the obligations are for participants and that all streets may not be patrolled due to lack of manpower to cover all the intersections. He suggested that Council may want to look at having a more specific application for 5k and foot races. Hartley suggests that we set a policy of who is responsible for the intersections and streets. Hartley said Blacksburg probably has a form. Williams made a motion to table any decision until more information could be obtained. Munsey seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Williams made a motion to approve the Annual Firemans parade. Clark seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Vittum stated that a Verizon Representative had contacted the Town about cost savings by signing a new 3 year agreement that reduces the amount we pay monthly. Staff feels it would be in our best interest to adopt the agreement. Williams made a motion to approve and accept a new 3 year agreement with Verizon on our phone services. Eaton seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Vittum reported on the New River Community Action (NRCA) Lease Agreement. They are looking at a different location and want to switch to a month to month basis. Vittum suggests we sign the same agreement and substitute paragraph 8 as follows: "This agreement may be cancelled by either party upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party. This agreement shall continue on a month to month basis through June 30, 2015. The parties may agree to extend the lease beyond that date by mutual agreement." Clark asked about the current condition of the building. Tawney stated that the roof will be

a problem soon. He said the windows could be replaced. Clark suggested the Town do the plastic for them on the windows this winter.

Journell made a motion to approve the new Lease Agreement with NRCA on a month to month basis. Clark seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

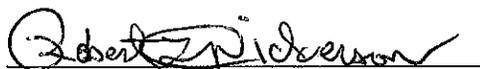
Vittum stated that periodically the state adopts new uniform building codes. Staff recommends Council adopt the 2012 Edition of the Uniform Building Code. Munsey made a motion to approve an ordinance to adopt the new 2012 Edition of Uniform Building Code. Williams seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Vittum wanted to make sure Council was up to date on putting in a boat launch. There is a proposal to put a ramp in and create some additional parking. Staff spoke with McKlarney and the engineer has designed too many parking places. To get a parking area and room to turn around with a boat the parking area would need to be moved back into the park. DGIF Grant was awarded jointly to the Town and County. They are presently getting the design work done and the work will be done in the fall. Clark asked about the notes on the plans. Vittum explained the parking spaces and amount of grade work could be reduced. The SST will have a solar fan. Clark asked who would build it. Vittum stated that they are prefabricated structures.

Munsey made a motion that Council approve moving the gate back into Whitt-Riverbend Park and enlarging the parking lot for vehicles to turn their boats and provide additional parking spaces. Clark seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson, Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Journell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

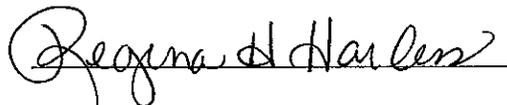
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:



Mayor Robert L. Dickerson

ATTEST:



Regina H. Harless, Town Clerk