

The Pearisburg Town Council met in Regular Session on January 13, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pearisburg Town Hall. Present for the Meeting were: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Harrell and Clark; Town Manager Vittum; Town Attorney Hartley; Town Engineer Tawney; Town Building Official Wilson; Chief Martin and Assistant Town Clerk Hazelwood. Also present was TJ Atkins, Virginian Leader and Kevin Belcher, Giles County PSA.

Councilwoman Eaton led the pledge of allegiance.

Munsey made a motion to approve the December 9, 2014 Regular Council minutes. Williams 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.

The Public Hearing was tabled due to lack of a quorum for the Planning Commission. It will be advertised for and placed on the February agenda.

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

Mayor Dickerson introduced Kevin Belcher at this time. Belcher gave a brief overview of PSA wholesale water. Belcher stated that there were no wells to the east, 504 hydrants in the county and 147 miles of water service line. Munsey asked if the PSA had water customers in Newport. Belcher stated that Newport was serviced by Giles County. Belcher introduced information about the new Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) program. He stated that the cost of this system would be \$600,000. It would include a team viewer which would allow staff information straight from the plant and allow direct communication with the PSA. Belcher stated that he wants to have better communications with the town and to resolve differences. He stated that the PSA wants to be a partner. Munsey wanted to know if the daily report is where the usage and loss numbers came from. Tawney explained that Andy Crocker gives him the information. He stated that we check the same meters and gauge. Hartley stated that there seemed to be less need for additional capacity. He asked Belcher if we could get more water from Red Sulphur. Belcher stated that we could get more from Red Sulphur and in the future we could also get water from the Powell's Mountain tank. Eaton asked if it would be more cost effective for the town to maintain parts of the system. Belcher stated it would be more cost

effective to consolidate to eliminate duplication. Dickerson thanked Belcher for the presentation.

Harrell reported on the Public Safety Committee. There were no recommendations.

Munsey reported on the Property and Recreation Committee. The Committee reviewed the Recreation Report from the Director. He reported that the boat landing plans for Bluff City had been approved. The Committee also reviewed a memo from Wilson on the status of various property in the Town. The Dan Level property had been demolished. The house at 603 Easton remains secure. One faucet at the library had been changed and the others should be changed within a week. Harrell asked how the 7 Day Market demolition was moving forward. Wilson stated that the six month period was up and that talks were between attorney and insurance at this time. He was hopeful that the demolition would soon be ready. He stated that it would cost the town if we had to pursue the demolition. There were no recommendations.

Eaton reported on the Finance Committee. Eaton reported that the first batch of notices for DMV stops had been mailed. She stated that several delinquencies had been paid.

The Committee made a recommendation that council approve the bid from DREWCO for \$13,380 for asbestos abatement at the Community Center and \$1,650 for HCH for inspection services. The total work estimated at under \$25,000. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Harrell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

The Committee made a recommendation that the FY16 budget calendar be approved. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Munsey, Williams, Eaton, Harrell and Clark. The recommendation carried by a vote of 6 to 0.

Williams reported on the Public Works Committee. The water loss for November was 39.18%. The Committee was informed that staff is waiting to hear back from Kevin Belcher about the Bluff City Bypass Agreement. The Committee discussed an employee getting hurt on duty. He was turning water off on Church St., lost his footing coming down the hill, slipped and injured his ankle.

Wilson stated that he was having difficulty getting quotes for the HVAC. He stated that most companies did not have engineering in house and would have to go outside for

that service. This would drive the cost up. He stated that we did not have a plan in place and that was making it more difficult to spec the equipment. He stated that the companies didn't all have the same equipment so the quotes wouldn't be an even comparison. Munsey wants to move forward and get a quote so that we would have an idea. Wilson stated that steam heat may be the best way to heat the building but may require the purchase of new radiators and valves. Eaton asked how soon DREWCO could start the work. Wilson stated it would be twenty days after submission to the state. Vittum stated that after the asbestos removal staff could take a look at the plumbing and other issues. He stated that council should form a subcommittee over the next six months to look at what they actually want to do with the facility.

Vittum updated Council on the Planning Project. He briefly went over Dianne Dingers report. He indicated that things are moving forward on schedule with the Farmers Market Promotion Grant.

The Mayor stated that there was still an opening on the Recreation Advisory Board.

Vittum reported on CHA study of water consolidation. He stated that there was still much to be done and better communications need to come first. Munsey stated that Belcher was going to start having monthly meetings with the towns.

Vittum stated that Belcher was reviewing the town's changes to the Bluff City Pump Station Bypass Agreement and taking them to the PSA board for review of the document with changes. Eaton asked what would happen if the deadline was to pass. Munsey stated that the proposal would be sent back from the state unsigned and it would have to be resubmitted. He stated that it had already been given two extension. Vittum stated that he expected to have something back from Belcher within the week and it would be placed on the February agenda. Tawney stated that if the state can see progress that another extension may be possible. He stated that the PSA was going to have to redefine "emergency" in the agreement. Eaton asked how that would affect the town. Tawney stated that it should have no negative impact but it would depend on how they defined emergency. Harrell asked if our water supply would be in jeopardy. Tawney stated that Well #4 would meet our needs as supply moves west. Hartley stated that there should be a thirty day notice of termination of the agreement for first violation of agreement in place for our protection.

Munsey asked what had brought about the changes in the zoning amendment and ordinance. Vittum stated the Planning District Commission brought up the need to define a medical office versus a substance abuse clinic. This change would give council an opportunity to look at the conditional use so that terms and conditions could be set.

Vittum stated that an Adhoc Committee had been formed for the festival and that some of the members were up for re-appointment. Williams made the motion to re-appoint the following:

Hope Harrell Term ending June 30, 2017

Cathy Clark Term ending June 30, 2017

Janet Sadler Term ending June 30, 2017

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.

Vittum informed council that the CHIP office was moving out of the library space.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:



Mayor Robert L. Dickerson

ATTEST:



Lynne Hazelwood, Assistant Town Clerk