

Town of Haysi
Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting
December 4, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.

On December 4, 2012, the regular meeting of the Haysi Town Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Haysi Town Hall Municipal Building located at 322 Main Street, Haysi, Virginia.

The following members were present:

PRESENT: Mayor Larry Yates
Vice Mayor-Rocky Wood

Council Members:
William "Billy" Counts
Michael Harris
Barry Whitt
Tim Wallace
Susan Tiller

ABSENT: None

ITEMS # I CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Yates.

ITEM # II & ITEM III INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Barry Whitt gave the invocation, and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

ITEM # IV - APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

At this time Mayor Yates asked Council for any additions or changes to the agenda.

Mayor Yates added under Old Business Item B-Approval of CDBG Phase II –Management Agreement and Budget... With no further changes to the agenda the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the agenda. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM # V – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Prior to the meeting council had received for consideration of approval a copy of the following prepared minutes:

- November 6, 2012 Regular Town Council Meeting

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM # VI – FINANCIAL REPORT

At this time the council was presented for approval the following:

- Current listing of payables due for December 2012
- November 2012 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance.
- November 2012 itemized listing of expenditures including checks # 11279-11293
- November 2012 Profit & Loss Report

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rock Barry Wood seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the financial report. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM #VII-NEW BUSINESS

Item A- Patrick Hughes-Hill Studio

Mr. Hughes said his purpose for attending the meeting was to present the feasibility study and feature use plan for the Old Theater Building. He said in 2010 it was planned for the theater building to be renovated into an Artisan Center. Since then a Future Use Plan & Feasibility Study has been done and reveals the building would have better use as a Multi Use/Bicycle Hostel since there is a need for one in the area. He said the first floor of the building would be to host performance/events with a rent-able cafe/kitchen facility, visitor center and support space. The second floor would consist of twenty guest dorm rooms, baths, small lounge area, kitchenette, and laundry room. The total construction cost for the building would be approximately 1.3 million.

B. Donation-Sandlick Little Basketball Team

Mayor Yates asked if there was anyone present to represent the Sandlick Little League Basketball Team.

No one present to represent team.

Item tabled.

C. Donation Policy

Mayor Yates stated the donation policy does not reflect annual budget requests for example Health Wagon, Economic Development, etc...

Council Member Rocky Wood commented budget items were not considered to part of the policy. He reported the committee reviewed the additional information and the committee feels the policy is solid. He asked are there any questions or additions to the policy.

Mayor Yates mentioned the new policy deadline date is set for January 1; this might be hard for those asking for donations in the Spring and Summer, due to not knowing if funding is needed.

Council Member Mike Harris mentioned it is hard for Spring and Summer sports to ask for funds in January when they do not know if they need funding in the Spring of Summer, due to the fact the teams do not know if they will be advanced on to playoffs.

Council Member Rocky Wood stated he thought at one time the committee discussed adding a clause to address unforeseen request. He said language needed to be added for those request made after the deadline. He also added once the policy is in place the committee would like for copies to be sent to those who have received donations from the council in the past.

Mayor Yates said he would work on the policy before the January meeting and address the discussed issues, and hopefully have the policy ready for council to vote in February.

D. Meeting Date Changed

After a general discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Susan Tiller to change January 1, 2013, meeting date to January 8, 2013, which is the alternative date due to the holiday. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM # VIII – OLD BUSINESS

A. Police Report-Patrolman Bobby Edwards (See Attachment)

Patrolman Edwards reported the month of November was a busy month. The department answered about 36 calls, and reported the town had received the DMV grant. He asked are there any questions.

Mayor Yates asked Patrolman Edwards for an update of equipment in the police vehicles.

Patrolman Edwards reported the Dodge Charger and Ford Explorer both are equipped with new laptop computers and both computers have the 911 software installed on them which allows our department to talk to Dickenson County E911 dispatch without being on the radio; with this Haysi Police Department is the most advanced department in the county.

B. Approval Phase II CDBG Budget and Management Agreement

Mayor Yates said the council needs to approve an agreement between the Town of Haysi and the Cumberland Plateau Planning District and also, DHCD, CDGB Phase II Budget.

After a general discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood and seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the Management Agreement with Cumberland Plateau Planning District and DHCD, CDBG Phase II Budget. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM # IX MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Yates reported that with the Management Agreement and Phase II Budget in place, the environmental documents in place and consulting agency Hill Studio in place this completes the list that DHCD has asked for, and should be ready to sign contract for Phase II activities..

Mayor Yates asked if there were any questions on the theater building study. He said he is still working on this project and should be able to discuss in more detail at the January meeting.

Mayor Yates reported the following:

- Encouraged locals and council to be proactive on the elementary school project.
- Splashdam Project is moving forward
- Tree lighten Ceremony and Parade was success
- Reminder Christmas Dinner, December 14, 6:00 PM

ITEM # X- COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Barry Whitt asked has the school site been narrowed down.

Mayor Yates stated there are several factors to consider when selecting a site, such as flood plan, cemeteries, time restraints, etc..., but the best site is more than likely behind Stone Mountain Health Care Facility.

Tammy Donner added she feels positive about the projective being located in the Haysi area after she attended the last school board meeting.

ITEM # XI - PUBLIC COMENTS

Johnny Branham asked when the street scape and facades is going to beginning.

Mayor Yates said Hill Studio is hoping to get the bid out in April or May for the street scape and the facades should go out in February.

Johnny Branham asked about the Splashdam Project.

Mayor Yates replied the town is still moving forward working on some environmental issues.

ITEM # XVI – ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Barry Whitt and seconded by Council Member Rocky Wood to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Larry D. Yates, Mayor

Attest:
_____, Clerk