

Town of Haysi  
Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting  
February 4, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

On February 4, 2025, 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 D. Yates  
Vice Mayor Michael Harris

Council Members:  
Carter Branham  
William "Billy" Counts  
Tim Wallace  
Debbie Wood

ABSENT: Susan Tiller

### **ITEMS # I, II, & III**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry D. Yates at 7:00 p.m., and the Invocation was held by Police Chief James R. Stanley and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **ITEM # IV – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

At this time Mayor Yates asked for any changes, additions, or corrections to the agenda. Motion was made by Council Member Carter Branham seconded by Council Member Tim Wallace to approve the agenda as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

COUNCIL MEMBER SUSAN TILLER ENTERED THE MEETING.

### **ITEM #V – PUBLIC COMMENT**

Haysi Rescue Squad Captain Terry Bartley registered to speak for public comment. Captain Bartley advised that Haysi Rescue Squad has another Emergency Medical Technician on staff. Captain Bartley said this change would allow him to have Tuesdays and Fridays off. He reported forty-eight calls and two overdoses. Captain Bartley advised that Dickenson County Behavioral Health Department is giving the rescue squad the Narcan needed. The rescue squad has three trucks, one of which is working to be stocked. The Sport Utility Vehicle they received from Dickenson County received an inspection sticker yesterday. Captain Bartley also reported that they have changed billing companies again. The new

company started in January. Captain Bartley stated the rescue squad was in the best shape its been in three years. Dickenson County is assisting with vehicle maintenance. Captain Bartley said they are not currently heating the second building nor staying on site. He requested the Haysi Town Council consider assisting with their electric bill next month. Their current staff consists of three drivers and two Emergency Medical Technicians, with the possibility of one paramedic joining soon. The Haysi Town Council and Mayor thanked Haysi Rescue Squad Captain Terry Bartley and asked that his financial request be added to the March agenda.

**ITEM # VI – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- January 14, 2025 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts seconded by Council Member Debbie Wood to approve the minutes of the regular town council meeting on January 14, 2025 as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

**ITEM # VII – FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

- January 1, 2025 through January 31, 2025 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance.
- January 1, 2025 through January 30, 2025 itemized listing of expenditures including checks # 17527-17555 & deposits
- January 1, 2025 through January 30, 2025 Profit & Loss Report
- Current payables to date for review

Clerk Amanda Perrigan advised there was a typo on the Financial Statement presented at the January meeting, so a revised one was included for review and initial. Motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts seconded by Council Member Susan Tiller to approve the financial report. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

**ITEM # VIII - NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ITEM # IX – OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **ITEM # X – UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### Police Department Monthly Report-Chief James Stanley (See Attachment)

Chief Stanley reported ninety hours worked, three-hundred-seventeen miles driven, and seventeen calls including two traffic stops for the month of January. Chief Stanley advised that most residents stayed home resulting in fewer accidents. Chief Stanley and Haysi Rescue Squad Captain Terry Bartley thanked Adam Barton for his assistance with the snow removal. Chief Stanley also advised that Officer Jerry Fuller will begin working three to four days a month for the department. A general discussion was held about the police vehicle rotation and maintenance.

## **ITEM # XI - MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Yates reported the following:

- The Groundbreaking Ceremony for Haysi's Municipal Building was held last week. Mayor Yates thanked the employees for their work and for everyone's attendance.
- Clerk Amanda Perrigan has been working on the Interim Compliance Review for Haysi's Russell Fork Trail Center Project.
- Mayor Yates is working on an economic resiliency grant, but will have to wait until the next funding round to submit the application.
- Mayor Yates attended the Dickenson County Industrial Development Authority Meeting.
- The Climate Resiliency Building Project may not happen under the new White House Administration. Dickenson County is working on the water and sewer infrastructure on the property and made progress during their visit to Richmond.
- The retaining wall at the new municipal building has been built.
- Progress on Haysi's Russell Fork Trail Center is going well.
- One building was damaged due to the recent weather. The Pizza Factory had a water leak.
- Fleming Detail went out of business.

Council Member Debbie Wood asked about the building that previously housed the Black Diamond Gym. Mayor Yates answered that everything owned by Teddy and Sheila Bailey was to be demolished. Mayor Yates recited all the buildings in town to be demolished by the Corp of Engineers. Attorney Josh Evans asked about the property. Mayor Yates answered that the ownership would be transferred to Dickenson County and they could do whatever they wanted as long as it was allowable by the Flood Plain Ordinances. A general discussion was held about the Flood Plain Ordinances' effect on properties included in the Section 202 project.

**ITEM # XII - COUNCIL COMMENTS**

None.

**ITEM # XIII – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to be brought before the Council, a motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts seconded by Vice Mayor Michael Harris to adjourn the meeting. Let the record show the motion was passed unanimously by verbal voting and the meeting was adjourned.

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Larry D. Yates, Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk