

Town of Haysi
Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting
January 6, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.

On January 6, 2015, 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 Rocky Wood

Council Members:

Michael Harris

Barry Whitt

Tim Wallace

Susan Tiller

William "Billy" Counts

ABSENT: None.

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 George Wallace and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEM # IV - APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

At this time Mayor Yates asked the Council for any additional changes to the agenda. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the agenda as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM #V - PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Yates opened the floor for anyone person wishing to speak during the public comment period. No one signed up or requested to speak.

ITEM # VI - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- December 2, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood and seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the minutes 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:

- November 26, 2014 through December 29, 2014 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance.
- November 26, 2014 through December 29, 2014 itemized listing of expenditures including checks # 12536-12584 & deposits
- November 26, 2014 through December 29, 2014 Profit & Loss Report
- Current payables to date for review

Motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts 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 # VIII - NEW BUSINESS

Donation Request from Haysi High School Senior Class

Mayor Yates called for a representative from the Haysi High School Senior Class to present the request, but no one came forward. Amanda Perrigan will contact them to request a representative for the next meeting.

ITEM # IX – OLD BUSINESS

Police Department Monthly Report-Chief George Wallace (See Attachment)

Chief Wallace reported thirty-four calls for the month of December and briefly described some of the calls on the December Monthly Report. During the month there was a large variety of calls such as gun shots fired in town, bad checks, and a drug arrest. Chief Wallace also presented a yearly totals page as part of the report. There were five hundred and seventy calls for the police department during 2014.

People Inc. Financial Services Haysi Loan Review Committee Appointments

Mayor Yates said in November that the Haysi Town Council mentioned five names as possible appointments to the People Inc. Financial Services Haysi Loan Review Committee. Mayor Yates said that he had contacted those individuals about serving on the committee. He stated that upon further review of the situation it was found that there is a five person limit on the committee. Mayor Yates said that a couple of the names mentioned in November may have conflicts of interest and be best suited to serve at another point in time. Mayor Yates suggested that Matthew Owens be nominated to the committee. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Susan Tiller to nominate Matthew Owens to service on the People Inc. Financial Services Haysi Loan Review Committee. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

ITEM # X - MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Yates reported the following:

- Mayor Yates reported that was still working with the Breaks Interstate Park and the Army Corp of Engineers on the purpose change for the water releases. He attended a meeting with representatives from Tim Kaine, Mitch McConnell, and Morgan Griffith's offices in an effort to get the legislation changed. The effort was made to get reviewed in the session that opened today. There are two possible ways for the legislation to be introduced; separately or attached to a bill.
- Mayor Yates advised that is working with Leon Boyd, Bobby Hammons, Delano Sykes and the Breaks Interstate Park on the development of a shooting range. The group recently attended the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors meeting and gained their support. They are presently in search of a suitable location. Mr. Leon Boyd believes he can obtain the necessary funding from the National Rifle Association and the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Mayor Yates said that this opportunity would be good for economic development. Council Member Barry Whitt asked if skeet shooting would be included. Mayor Yates said it would among other types. The group plans to visit similar facilities to gather more information and ideas.
- Mayor Yates met with Spearhead Trails on December 12th. The mapping and design are finished and have been sent to the property owners for review. The property owners have thirty days to respond. The thirty day mark is near and any arising issues will be addressed. The trail will contain fifty-two miles in Dickenson County and has the potential to expand up to four hundred miles. Charlotte Mullins is in the process of writing a grant for construction funds.
- There will be a progress meeting on Thursday, January 8, at ten o'clock in the morning for the sidewalk project. Two fuel tanks were found underground near the Appalachian Auto Parts and the issue is currently being addressed. The Department of Environmental Quality was notified and they advised what steps needed to be

taken to resolve the matter. The cost for AEP to complete the wiring, buy the street lights and complete installation is \$29,000. The Town of Haysi doesn't have the money in the budget for that expense. Mayor Yates suggested that the town wait a few months then take another look at the budget. Council Member Susan Tiller asked if waiting will cause problems with the construction work currently being done. Mayor Yates said that it would not since the conduit is already included in the sidewalk project. Vice Mayor Rocky Wood was concerned about the width of the sidewalks. Mayor Yates explained that the line down the street is where the contractor will cut to place the forms, not where the sidewalk will be located.

- The extension request on the Community Development Block Grant was approved.
- A draft of the Haysi Community Video was reviewed today by Mayor Yates.
- Mayor Yates invited everyone to the Conference on the Economy of the Coalfield Region of Virginia that will be held on Friday, January 9, at the Appalachian College of Pharmacy. Council Members were given copies of the press release.

ITEM # XI - COUNCIL COMMENTS

None.

ITEM # XII - ADJOURNMENT

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

Larry D. Yates, Mayor

Attest:

Clerk