

Minutes of Monthly Town Council Meeting  
March 5, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.

On March 5, 2013, 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.

Present: Mayor Larry Yates  
Vice Mayor Rocky Wood  
Council Member Mike Harris  
Council Member Barry Whitt  
Council Member Rocky Wood  
Council Member Tim Wallace  
Council Member Wm. "Billy" Counts  
Council Member Susan Tiller

Absent: None

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

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Yates at 7:05 p.m. and the Invocation was held by Chief George Wallace and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

At this time Mayor Yates asked Council for any additions or changes to the agenda. Mayor Yates asked to move the first item under New Business-Tamara Greear-Thrower Blanton & Associates-Audit Report to after Agenda approval. With no further additions or changes to the agenda the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood to move Tamara Greear, Thrower Blanton & Associates-Audit Report after Agenda approval and seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

### **NEW BUSINESS-TAMARA GREEAR-THROWER BLANTON & ASSOCIATES-AUDIT REPORT**

Ms. Greear presented each member a copy of the June 30, 2012, audit report. She said in the auditor's opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Town of Haysi, Virginia as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

She reported during the process of the audit, the auditing firm is required to evaluate the internal controls this is how the town manages the over site of your financial information. The auditors do not give an opinion on this, but the auditor gives an evaluation of it. She said for the past couple of years the Town of Haysi received a significant deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. Ms. Greear said this does not sound good, but when you are a small town it is hard to get away without having any deficiency and you have the deficiency because of the number of employees the town has this will always be a deficiency according to government standards. She said there are two documents on file in the Mayor's office SAS 114 Communication which states there is an agreement to do the audit, and SAS 115 regarding to the internal control in detail. She said the town received a positive report and asked if there were any questions.

No questions.

### **ITEM # V – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- February 5, 2013 Monthly Town Council Meeting

With no corrections or changes to the January minutes the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood and seconded by Council Member Billy Counts to approve the January minutes. Let the record show the motions 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 March 2013.
- February 2013 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance.
- February 2013 itemized listing of expenditures including checks # 11385-11437, & deposits
- February 2013 Profit & Loss Report

With no further comments or changes to the financial report the motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts and seconded by Council Member Tim Wallace to approve the financial report as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

#### **ITEM #VII PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ITEM # VII- NEW BUSINESS**

##### Donation Request-Haysi Lady Softball Team

Ramona Duncan came before the council seeking funding for the Haysi Lady Softball Team. She said last year the team received \$800.00 from the town, but this year was asking a donation of \$500.00. She stated the team has held fund raisers and worked concession stands to help in raising funds for the team. She mentioned the total number of players with Junior Varsity and Varsity team is 30 plus players.

Council Member Rocky Wood asked would the girls be willing to volunteer time to an event sponsored by the town.

Ramona Duncan replied this should not be a problem.

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood, seconded by Council Member Billy Counts to donate \$500.00 to the Haysi Lady Softball Team. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed with all voting yes except Council Member Tim Wallace voting No.

##### Donation Request-Haysi/Clinch Lions Club

Ann Branham came before the council seeking funding for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. This event is will be held March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Haysi Kiwanis Park for children twelve and under. She said the committee had asked for donations from other organizations, businesses, and local citizens to help with funding the event. The funds will go toward purchasing prizes, candy, renting of blow-up rides and other items for the event. She said the committee is asking for a donation of \$500.00

Mayor Yates mentioned last year the Haysi/Clinchco Lions Club receive a \$360.00 donation from the town.

Roger Deel commented last year the Easter egg hunt was a big success. This year the committee wants to make the event bigger and better. Everything is done by age groups from activities to prizes. Last year the egg hunt cost was approximately \$2800.00.

Mayor Yates asked what you think this year's event will cost.

Roger Deel replied between \$3600.00 and \$3700.00

With no further discussion the motion was made the Council Member Billy Counts and seconded by Council Member Rocky Wood to donate \$500.00 to the Haysi/Clincho Lions Club for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed with all voting yes except Council Member Tim Wallace voting No.

Donation Request-Haysi High School Senior Class

Tabled until April 2, meeting. No representation.

Donation Request-Kids Fishing Day

Tabled until April 2, meeting. No representation.

Donation Request-Father's Day Weekend Cumberland Plateau Regional Housing Authority.

Tabled until April 2, meeting. No representation.

**ITEM # VIII – OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Police Department Report – Chief Wallace report the police department answered 38 calls. He reported the SRO had eleven school incidents this month. Chief Wallace said he wanted to bring to the council attention on February 25, Patrolman Edwards and Patrolman Brent Wallace answered an animal bite at Splashdam. This is the second offense on this animal. The town ordinance states this is punishable with no less than a \$500.00 fine and up to a \$2000.00 fine. The officers notified the animal control officer who then went to the animal owner's home. The animal control officer informed the owner of the fine, and informed them the fine could be waived if the owner would give the dog over to the animal shelter. The owner took the fine.

Mayor Yates asked when the court date is.

Chief Wallace stated March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Wallace asked if there were any questions.

Council Member Rocky Wood asked the teacher which was assaulted on February 27<sup>th</sup> was it a serious assault.

Chief Wallace said the assault was from a teacher breaking up a fight at the school.

Mayor Yates asked the incident of a teacher being assaulted on February 25<sup>th</sup> what is the status on it.

Chief Wallace stated this is between a parent and a teacher, and at this time cannot elaborate at this time due to charges not being filed.

B. Update on Special Projects/Façade Manager Position for Phase II CDBG

Mayor Yates reported said the deadline for applying for the position was March 4, at 4:00 PM. The town received three applications. He said the hiring committee needs to decide when they want to hold interviews for the three applications.

The committee decided to hold interviews on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, starting at 3:00 PM

C. Update on Haysi Theater Building

The Haysi Theater Building now belongs to the town. The town is working the Dickenson County Building Department, Dickenson County PSA, Buchanan County PSA and AEP on getting permits, water, sewer and electricity to the building.

**ITEM #X – MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Yates reported on the following:

- On February 26<sup>th</sup>- Feeding America was at the Splashdam Church where approximately 200 people were supplied with food. Feeding America will back in town on March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Working with the county tourism group on the ATV trails.
- Attend the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors meeting. He said at this meeting the IDA Director report they were hoping to apply for a construction grant to begin building the Spearhead ATV Trails.
- The Revolving Loan Fund has \$120,000.00 to loan in the downtown area. This is a business loan.

Charlie Edwards asked when the next meeting on the ATV trails is.

Mayor Yates replied he did not know, but would try to get the information to him.

**ITEM # X- COUNCIL COMMENTS**

NONE

**ITEM # X – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to be brought before the Council, a motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood and seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to adjourn the meeting. Let the record show the motion was passed unanimously by verbal voting and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

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Larry D. Yates, Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk

