

Minutes of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Town of Saltville Town Council held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 7:00 P.M., at the Town Hall.

PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Campbell, Mayor
Steven W. Johnson, Town Manager
Christen Burkholder, Town Attorney

COUNCIL: Sabrena Ison, Todd Young, Neil Johnson, Bill Palmer, Ron Orr

ABSENT: Danny Maiden

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order giving the invocation and leading in the pledge of allegiance.

Councilman Young made a motion to approve the November 13, 2007 minutes. Councilman Palmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

There was one (1) citizen signed up for Citizens Time.

Janice Orr, 548 Campbell Drive, Edgewood Subdivision. Ms. Orr stated she wanted to thank Steve and the Police Department for their help this past week-end during the Museums House Tour. Ms. Orr gave an update on Project Mammoth, stating it was under way. Also, Ms. Orr indicated up to this point the work as been behind the scenes and updated Council on the happenings that are under way within the Museum.

NEW BUSINESS

Senior Representatives from Northwood High School discussed a request for the Council to pay for the bus fee for their Senior trip. This request had a total of 31 students making the trip to New York with a cost for transportation at \$5,286.00; which breaks down at a cost of \$170.00 per student.

This issue was discussed between Council members and was referred to the Budget Committee for their recommendation if the funds were available for such request.

Steven Johnson and Clayton Colston discussed the Henrytown lift station air compressor. Mayor Campbell opened the three (3) sealed bids that was submitted on the replacement of the air compressor.

1. Advance Products and Service.....\$8,250.00
2. Frye Construction.....\$8,500.00
3. Boggs Municipal League.....\$7,625.00

Mayor Campbell asked Council if they had any questions pertaining to the bids. Jeff Smith told Council that this funding could be paid for out of the Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Account.

Councilwoman Ison made a motion to accept the lowest bid with funding from the Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Account. Councilman Young seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Campbell opened the sealed bids pertaining to the track train and light pole.

1. J.C. Lane.....\$20.00
2. Jim Boardwine.....\$250.00
3. Lance Tolbert.....\$435.35

Steven Johnson discussed Michael Armbrister's (PDC) interest on the Town's web-page maintenance. Mr. Johnson stated if he was the one that was selected he would give the Town a pass key so they could change or add at will. Mr. Johnson stated, Mr. Armbrister charged \$25.00 an hour and would not take no more than three (3) hours per month.

Mayor Campbell asked Jeff Smith if any expenditures were in the budget for this item.

Mr. Smith stated \$500.00 was in the budget and around \$300.00 was available if approved.

Councilman Orr stated that \$75.00 per month was a small amount for this necessity to keep everything updated.

Councilman Young made a motion to approved Mr. Armbrister's proposal. Councilman

Palmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Campbell discussed the confirmation /action that was discussed last month but no action taken pertaining to Mike Hogston being put on Auxiliary Police.

Councilman Palmer made a motion to allow Mr. Hogston to be assigned the auxiliary Police. Councilman Orr seconded. Motion failed 2-3, Councilwoman Ison, Councilman Young, and Councilman Johnson voting against.

Councilman Orr discussed the item from last months agenda pertaining to the Virginia Tourism Kiosk that was presented by a gentleman by the name of Fred Lockner. Councilman Orr stated that there was some form of mis-communication, in which Mr. Lockner was not here to give a presentation, only to assist with someone else. Councilman Orr discussed some items that was not mentioned last month including getting on the Kiosk are on several levels, \$150.00 icon, \$375.00 icon, \$800.00, and a \$5,000.00 icon. Mr. Orr stated with the \$5,000.00 level the Town ends up with an icon on all State maps including all videos. Also, this comes with the options to add others within the Town. Mr. Orr indicated this was referred to the Budget Committee and stated to play the Tourism game including advertising the wave pool as this would be a plus for the Town.

Mayor Campbell stated the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with Smyth County should be discussed in Closed Session for legal advice.

Councilwoman Ison made a motion to discuss this agreement in Closed Session for legal advice. Councilman Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Steven Johnson stated to Council LeAnn Franklin was the only interested individual that submitted an application to fill the S.I.D.A. vacancy.

Councilman Young made a motion the appoint LeAnn Franklin to the S.I.D.A. vacancy. Councilwoman Ison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Palmer discussed the Beautification Committee recommendation to investigate several areas.

Councilman Palmer discussed the Land Management Committee meeting including a member that does not wish to serve because of health reasons. Also, Councilman Palmer asked what the steps/guidelines are on being appointed to committees.

Councilwoman Ison stated the Councilperson that appointed the member that resigned for what ever reason can appoint another Town citizen.

Councilman Young made a motion to go into Closed Session, Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) to discuss personnel, Section 2.2-3711(A)(3)(5) to discuss business prospects, and Section 2.2-3711(A)(1)(7) to discuss potential litigation. Councilman Orr seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon returning to open session, Mayor Campbell took a role call vote to certify that only those matters identified in the motion to go in closed session were discussed during the closed session. Accordingly, each member present certified by responding "YES".

Councilwoman Ison made a motion to approve the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement. Councilman Young seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Young made a motion to hire Jimmy Davidson as Water Operator at \$8.35 an hour. Councilwoman Ison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Young made a motion to change the hours for the Police Officers from 171 to 160 on a 28 day cycle like the other Town workforce. Councilwoman seconded. motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Ison made a motion to go ahead and appoint Mike Hogston to Auxiliary Police and if anyone else quits, will not add anyone else and the Auxiliary will be disbanded. Councilman Palmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

After a motion, duly seconded. the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR

CLERK