

Minutes of a Special Called Meeting of the Town of Saltville Town Council held on Thursday, May 22, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

PRESENT: Steven W. Johnson, Town Manger

COUNCIL: Danny Maiden, Neil Johnson, Bill Palmer, Ron Orr

ABSENT: Jeffrey L. Campbell, Mayor
Sabrena Ison, Councilwoman
Todd Young, Councilman

Steven Johnson told Council he had some information on the burned house on Government Plant Road and would like this to be added to the agenda.

Councilman Johnson made a motion to add the request of the Town Manager to the agenda. Councilman Maiden seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Orr said the first thing he would like to do is thank the Budget Committee for doing their work. Councilman Orr said the committee was running numbers up to the last minute no later than today to confiscate for the fuel prices that are rising. Councilman Orr told Council the referral from May meeting pertaining to the \$8,000.00 comment to Song of the Mountain was not recommended by this committee. Councilman Orr said he will turn it over to Jeff for further information.

Jeff Smith said there are no increases in taxes or service too passed onto citizens in this proposed budget. Mr. Smith stated several items were decreased to balance out with the revenues so no increases would be passed on to the citizens. Mr. Smith stated, like you were previously told, the big item was the rising cost of fuel. Mr. Smith said within this proposed budget the committee had recommended a 3% rate increase for the employees. Mr. Smith said if Council approves this proposed budget, he would need authorization to proceed with the brief synopsis on the paper along with the public hearing notice for the proposed 2008-2009 budget.

Councilman Johnson made a motion to proceed with the necessary steps for the proposed budget. Councilman Maiden seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Steven Johnson opened the two sealed bids pertaining to installation of a new roof on the Train Museum.

Ted Hunt's Contracting.....\$6,000.00
Midway Construction.....\$6,500.00

Councilman Johnson made a motion to accept the lowest bid for this project. Councilman Palmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Steven Johnson told Council last month the vote was to proceed with the condemnation process on the burned house on Government Plant Road, since then it has been sold.

Councilman Johnson said this would be something that legal counsel would need to work on.

Councilman Johnson said he had several complaints on people drinking in the cemetery after dark and would like suggestions on how to stop such activity.

Stanley Cahill stated it was a State Law that no one is allowed in cemeteries after dark.

Councilman Johnson asked if it was feasible to install a gate to be locked after dark?

Steve Surber said at one time a gate was at the cemetery and was taken down at some point.

After a motion, duly seconded, the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR

CLERK