

Regular Meeting
November 12, 2014

The regular meeting of the Mount Jackson Town Council was held on November 12, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5901 Main Street. Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: J. Bucky Miller, Mayor; Dennis Andrick, Whitney Miller, Donnie Pifer, Roger Rudy, and Rodney Shepherd, Councilmembers. Absent: Kenneth Hackenbracht. Also in attendance: Doug Arthur, Town Attorney; Kevin Fauber, Town Manager; Neil Showalter, Finance Director; Judy Fultz, Clerk; and Heather Taylor, Deputy Clerk. Visitors present: Terry Blankenship from KBI, Sandy Blankenship, David Brinegar, Melissa Brinegar, J. D. Fadley, Chief of Police, Candi LoPresti, and Paul Miller and his wife and daughter.

Paul Miller, representing The Lung Cancer Society, addressed the Council on their organization. They are asking the Town to declare November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month. The Millers want to bring more awareness to the community. Screenings for lung cancer have been opened up. Many people who have never smoked are getting lung cancer. They are sponsoring a Shine-A-Light event at the Woods Chapel Independent Bible Church in New Market on November 13, 2014.

Mayor Miller reported his open meetings on Wednesday have been going very well. The Town Christmas parade will be held on December 13, 2014. The lineup will be at Valley Fertilizer at 2:30 p.m. with the parade to start at 3:00 p.m. The festivities at the Town Hall will be from 4:00 to 6:00 with the tree lighting at 6:00 p.m. Candi LoPresti reported they have 36 participants for the parade. Shenandoah Living has advertised the parade in their magazine.

Mayor Miller reported November 17th through 21st is Education Week. He will be going to each of the four schools and meeting with the principals and going to various classrooms.

Mayor Miller reported there was a short ceremony on November 11th for Veterans Day. The Mayor, his father, Town Manager Kevin Fauber, Randy Lonas, and Pastor Diehl participated. The wreath was carried to the Veterans Memorial where it will remain throughout the weekend.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber reported he received a call from Councilman Hackenbracht who said his surgery went well and they are keeping him overnight for observation.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber talked with the artist who is painting the water tower. He had truck issues and will be traveling tomorrow. He will begin painting on Friday and working through the weekend.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber reported Attorney Arthur prepared the resolution for the Shentel stock transfer from the old Volunteer Fire Department to the Mt. Jackson Rescue and Fire Department, Inc.

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Councilman Rudy, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported the police department received 386 calls of which 17 were offenses. 15 have been cleared and 2 are still active. He learned a lot about Mount Jackson and the police department and its operations during his ride along with Officer Sterner. The Rescue & Fire had 77 calls of which 63 were EMS calls and 14 were fire calls.

David Brinegar of the Rescue & Fire Dept. reported they had a busy month with assisting Orkney Springs on a fire. Three of their members attended a symposium to further their training. They are working on a My ID Square. Brochures will be available at the front office. The initial fee for the product is \$60. The owner's medical information is stored in the bracelet. The medical personnel can scan the bracelet with their cell phone and the patient's medical information is displayed through the phone. This gives the medical personnel the information they need to best help the person.

They are requesting a donation from the Town to use as a payment on the building. Everything is on schedule with the new building. They hope to be in the first of summer.

Councilmember Miller reported the Public Properties Committee met the end of October and got quotes on stamped concrete and pavers. Randy is getting more quotes.

Motion by Councilman Pifer and second by Councilman Rudy to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of October 14, 2014, Regular Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	None	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Miller		
“ Pifer		
“ Rudy		
“ Shepherd		

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber introduced Terry Blankenship from KBI who gave a report on the Water Plant Project. The Public Services Committee met last Thursday. A survey was performed at the mountain and at the wastewater plant. A geotechnical evaluation has been requested to be certain that the soil will have bearing ability with the weight of the tank. The project will remove the nitrates from the water. It was discussed how much time the employees had to spend there. The system is automated and it should operate by itself. We hope to have the completed plans by the end of the year. Another project on the mountain is Well #8 to remove manganese.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber presented Resolution R-06-2014 – Approving the Transfer and Renewal of the Cable Television Franchise. The existing contract has been with

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Shentel Cable of Shenandoah County LLC for 15 years. A discussion was held about renegotiating the contract. Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilman Andrick to request a renegotiated contract for 5 years.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	None	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Miller		
“ Pifer		
“ Rudy		
“ Shepherd		

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber presented the Shentel easement request. They are requesting a 20 foot construction easement and a 10 foot permanent easement after the construction is completed starting on the south/east property corner and VDOT right-of-way along Rt. 950 then continuing west parallel to the southern property line to the south/west property corner and existing Shentel easement. Motion by Councilman Pifer and second by Councilman Andrick to approve the Shentel easement.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	None	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Miller		
“ Pifer		
“ Rudy		
“ Shepherd		

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Kevin Fauber presented Pennoni Construction Administration Services for the sidewalk project. The firm assists the Town with the bidding process. The hourly rate will not exceed a total cost of \$18,000. Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilman Rudy to approve Pennoni Construction Administration Services for the Sidwalk Project.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	None	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Miller		
“ Pifer		
“ Rudy		
“ Shepherd		

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

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Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilman Andrick to authorize the Mayor to sign a Proclamation declaring November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	None	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Miller		
“ Pifer		
“ Rudy		
“ Shepherd		

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Mayor Miller presented In God We Trust resolution. He talked to a person at the VML Conference who drew up the resolution. Mayor Miller would like to have this displayed on the walls of the council chambers along with the town seal, the state seal, and the United States Seal. A discussion followed on the proposal. Motion by Councilman Andrick and second by Councilman Pifer to approve the words In God We Trust to be displayed with other government seals in the council chambers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Andrick	Councilmember Miller	Councilman Hackenbracht
“ Pifer	Councilman Shepherd	
“ Rudy		

3 AYE, 2 NAY, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Pifer and second by Councilman Andrick to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

CLERK

MAYOR