

Regular Meeting
July 14, 2015

The regular meeting of the Mount Jackson Town Council was held July 14, 2015 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, Kenneth Hackenbracht, Roger Rudy and Rod Shepherd, Councilmembers. Absent: Councilmembers Miller and Pifer. Also in attendance: Doug Arthur, Town Attorney; Kevin Fauber, Town Manager; Neil Showalter, Finance Director and Heather Taylor, Town Clerk. Visitors included David Brinegar and wife from the Fire Department, Robert Whitehurst, Alex Bridges from the NVD, Kelly Clark from the DNR, and approximately 18 people from the community.

Cole Trower, from the office of Mark Obenshain, Senator from the 26th Senate District, introduced himself to the group. He made himself and the Obenshain office available if anyone needs to discuss any issues. Several of his business cards were given to people in the meeting.

Town resident Todd Holtzman presented a letter to the council concerning property owned by Mr. Worth Carter Jr. The property is next door to the Town hall on the south side and has been left to deteriorate for several years. Mr. Holtzman has filed a formal complaint and has requested that the town take action with the property owner and to work toward a Spot Blight Abatement on the property.

Mayor Miller gave his thoughts and prayers to the town of Woodstock and others north who suffered from flash flooding 7/13/15. He placed a phone call to the mayor of Woodstock to offer assistance. Randy Lonas, Public Works Director for Mount Jackson had also made contact with Mayor McCleary to offer help. The basketball courts at the park are finished and the water tower now has lights. The Mt. Jackson-New Market Jr. League Girl's Soft ball team won 4th in the state competition. Thank you for your patience...the Main Street sidewalk project is coming along.

Kevin Fauber reported that the sidewalk project on Main St. across from town hall is finishing with the pouring of the concrete at the church and preparing to install pavers beginning Thursday. In regard to the bigger sidewalk project, the engineer continues to work with VDOT with waiting on a resolution to get this out to bid right away. The Well Treatment Plant project is moving ahead for funding approval with the assistance of Neil Showalter. The Virginia Resource Authority, (VDH), has almost reached the final approval and the engineers are working on their comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Rudy, chair of the Public Safety committee, reported that there were 418 calls for the police department in the month of June which averages to 14 calls per day. Three of these calls are still under active investigation. Calls per month, as shown in Chief Sterner's monthly report, have declined slightly from what they were in May.

David Brinegar, from the Mount Jackson Rescue & Fire Department, reported that the brick fund drive is still going on. In regard to the construction on the new building, progress is being made on the laying of

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bricks and steel and the roof. The living quarters are coming together and the finish date is October 2015. Mr. Brinegar also requested the annual donation from the town that was previously discussed at the November 12, 2014 council meeting.

Motion by Councilman Hackenbracht and seconded by Councilman Andrick to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of June 9, 2015, Regular Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Information Item-Report from the Planning Commission-Recommendation of approval of Ordinance 02-2015, AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF MOUNT JACKSON, VIRGINIA PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 15.2-3231 et. Seq. OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA OF 1950 AS AMENDED, BY THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY IN THE COUNTY OF SHENANDOAH, VIRGINIA. (Whitehurst and Payne Properties). Discussion began with Councilman Shepherd stating the Planning Commission met and recommended approval of this annexation but with two councilmembers absent and the Planning Commission's desire to do other work, Councilman Shepherd made a MOTION to table this until the August Council meeting, 8/11/14. This was seconded by Councilman Hackenbracht.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS: Motion made by Councilman Hackenbracht, seconded by Councilman Rudy to approve the Adoption of State Law, Section 58.1 of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Shepherd, seconded by Councilman Andrick for the approval of the purchase of the playground equipment for the Lion’s Club Park. A quote of \$30,576.87 was included in the information presented by Councilperson Miller of the Public Properties Committee. This price quote is good until 8/14/15. This quote includes installation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

This meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m. motion by Councilman Shepherd.

CLERK

MAYOR