

Town Council Regular Meeting

November 14, 2017

The regular meeting of the Town of Mount Jackson Town Council was held November 14, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers at 5901 Main Street. Roll call was taken with the following in attendance; Vice Mayor Rod Shepherd, Whitney Miller, Dennis Andrick, Donnie Pifer, Ken Hackenbracht and Roger Rudy Councilmembers. Also in attendance, Kevin Fauber, Town Manager; Neil Showalter, Finance Director; Matt Akers, Town Attorney; Susan Maziarz, Interim Town Clerk; Jeff Sterner, Chief of Police. Approximately 3 people from the community were in attendance and Lewis Millholland from the Northern Virginia Daily.

Agenda Additions/Deletions/Changes: None

Remarks & Recommendations from Vice-Mayor Shepherd: Vice-Mayor Shepherd received an email for the Conservation Fund on raising money to preserve the Knob as of yesterday \$364,000 total funds raised so far. The Christmas Parade is December 9th Saturday. Next item I'm going to bring up it's little out of the ballpark, I turn off my cable about 3 years ago, and in the middle of October I was at a friend's house watching commercial TV. I was absolutely appalled by the political commercials I saw on TV. I never seen such vitriol and hatred and negativity in my life. It's no wonder people hate government and elected officials. I'm very proud to be part of one of the finest functioning legislative bodies in the state of Virginia. I think the Mount Jackson Town Council gets a lot of efficient things done and we don't have any meanness around here. I'm very proud to be serving with you all.

Remarks from Councilmembers: None

Presentations: None

Town Attorney Report: None

Chief of Police Report: None

Town Manager Report: The Maintenance Department will be starting to decorate the Town, putting up the big pole decorations starting tomorrow. I'm pleased to report the sidewalk project, particularly on the southern end of town, is going quite well. In the early part of December, because there some federal monies tied to this grant I will be meeting with VDOT officials to look at the requirements and paper work that's involved for keeping the records for the program. Since the last council meeting as I reported in the TW3 we did make the application for the next round of grant money, which was due November 1st, that project monies applied for will take a look Conicville Boulevard and continue the sidewalks on Main Street to Avondale Acres. In talking with Councilmember Miller going over a few things up at the park, that will we like to see done by next summer.

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Committee Reports:

Councilmember Shepherd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, did have a Finance Committee Meeting, we crunched bunch of numbers and look at them nothing significant to bring up at the council meeting tonight

Councilmember Rudy, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported Fire and Rescue for October, total number of responses 72, seven more than the previous month of September. Approximant 2/3 of those were EMS and 1/3 Fire responses. The sign installation is going to begin next. Breakfast with Santa December 9th from 7am-11am. David Brinegar from Mount Jackson Fire Department spoke about the successful Steak Dinner October 14th, around 140 people was served and the Breakfast morning of the Apple Harvest Festival served 209 people that was incredible, we did really well donation only bases only from that meal. The Police Department total number of calls 402 down 23 from the previous month. Activity report for criminal offenses 35, one submitted to protective custody, 5 cases closed, 4 cases cleared and 5 remain under investigation. Only 2 open doors reported.

Councilmember Miller, Chairman of the Public Properties Committee, We are looking at some projects for the summer, looking at getting a bathroom constructed for the park, and potentially more play equipment or new benches on the walking path.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval – Minutes of October 10, 2017 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting, Special Town Council Meeting, October 30, 2017.

Councilmember Hackenbracht MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Pifer to APPROVE the Consent Agenda consisting of the Approval-Minutes of October 10, 2017 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting, Special Town Council Meeting October 30, 2017.

VOTE:

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

6 AYES, motion passes

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Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Appointment of Susan Maziarz as Interim Town Clerk

Councilmember Shepherd spoke, Clerking is seen as mundane but it's very much what hold things together around here, it's critical, important information maybe five years down the road, ten years down the road, or even some historians look at.

Councilmember Andrick made a motion, seconded by councilmember Pifer to approve the Appointment of Susan Maziarz as Interim Town Clerk.

VOTE:

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

6 AYES, motion passes

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

CLERK

MAYOR