

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Town Council Meeting
September 8, 2020

Council Members: Mayor Paige, CM Reams, CM Tyree (at Town Hall), VM Moss, CM Baker, CM Jones (via teleconference)

Council Members Absent: CM Harris

Others: Consultant Carney, Clerk Reams

Call to Order at 7:01 p.m.

Open the Meeting: The meeting was held at 1030 Main Street, Dillwyn, VA (Town Hall). The Council observed a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Paige. Mayor Paige established that a quorum was present.

Minutes: CM Reams motioned to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by CM Tyree. All others: Aye. The motion carried.

Dennis Carney: He has yard signs for anyone interested in having one in their yard or on their property. The sign says #LOVE THY NEIGHBOR No Exceptions. It is meant to show love and respect for neighbors and community.

TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT: The contractors are working now on the project. There have been lots of inquiries from the business owners and citizens of the Town about the project and when it is expected to be completed. The Farmville Herald featured an article on the project.

HOUSING: The contractor is almost finished with the Scott house located at 73 Hancock Street. He should be able to complete the construction by the contract deadline in about two weeks from the date of this meeting.

The next round of houses are Mary Moore's house at 145 White Street, and Alma Carter's house located at 99 White Street. There is a pre-bid meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Moore's home is to be renovated. Ms. Carter's home is to be a substantial reconstruction. She will remain in her mobile home until construction is complete on her new home.

ZONING FOR RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS

Zoning and Residential:

The owner of Dillwyn Food Mart wants to place a home on the property near Seay Milling's. Clerk Reams will contact Mr. Carney to inquire about the possibility of this happening for the store owner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(discussion on items)

COVID-19 Update: ServPro came and fogged Town Hall and wiped down all high touch surfaces and fogged again. The fogging and wiped down is by CDC guidance. ServPro will come back next month.

Thermometers, face masks, and hand sanitizer have been ordered for the residents of the Town. Once the items arrive, the packages will be made, and hand delivered to each household for each resident.

Grant applications are being picked up and returned to Town Hall for review by Council for assistance with money from the C.A.R.E.S. Act fund.

The police vehicle has been delivered from the Buckingham County Sheriff's Department. The car is in CM Tyree's (Town Sergeant) yard currently. The car needs to have decals placed on the hood, doors, and trunk.

NEW BUSINESS:

Buckingham Family Physicians will be closing October 31, 2020. Dr. Richard Muller will be retiring and practicing medicine closer to his home at Zion's Crossroads. There will be a "Walk for Health" on September 20, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Also, petitions are being circulated.

There are concerns about Mr. John Davis and his property. It appears to some residents that he has opened a business, but that cannot be confirmed. Also, there are concerns about setbacks and other ordinances not being observed. Clerk Reams will contact Mr. Carney regarding this matter and the best way to handle the situation.

Parker Oil Gas Credit Card: CM Reams made a motion to obtain a gas credit card from Parker Oil Company for the constable car for the Town of Dillwyn Police Department. The motion was seconded by CM Baker. All others: Aye. The motion carried.
CM Tyree will provide the Council a monthly statement for the amount of fuel used and the amount to be paid each month.

Closed Session: 2.2-3711(A)(1): Personnel: Salaries, promotion, demotion, discipline, etc. of employees or interviews with prospective employees, candidates, etc. CM Reams made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel and was seconded by CM Tyree. CM Tyree made a motion to come out of closed session and was seconded by CM Reams.

There will be a change in the office hours for Town Hall. The hours are changed to Mondays and Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

No other items were discussed during closed session.

Announcements:

COMMITTEES:

Finance – Linda Paige, Karen Sue Moss, Ossie J. Harris, III, James Tyree

Town Buildings/Grounds – James Tyree, Ossie J. Harris, III, Gilbert W. Reams

Planning Commission – Karen Sue Moss, James O'Bryant, Bill Carmines, Dennis Carney, Consultant, Joseph Patterson, Beverly Hudgins-King

Beautification – Gilbert Reams, Sandra Moss, Mark Brown, Tricia Taylor

Ordinance – Linda Paige, Tora Jones, Karen Sue Moss, Dennis Carney

Christmas Parade – Linda Paige, Diane Holman-James, Sarah Walker, Sharon Baker, Gilbert Reams

Community Service Workers – Linda Paige, RW Maxey

Halloween Event – Linda Paige, Sharon Baker, Gilbert W. Reams, James Tyree, Melissa Wallace, Buckingham Chamber of Commerce

Ad Hoc-Housing – Tora Jones, Todd Fortune, Dave Ottinger, Linda V. Paige

Housing Rehab Board – Dave Ottinger, William Fulton, Todd Fortune, Lafonia Thornton, Linda V. Paige, Donna McRae-Jones

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CM Tyree and was seconded by CM Reams. All others: Aye. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Scribed by Loretta C. Reams, Clerk for Town of Dillwyn, VA