

MINUTES OF TIMBERVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 13, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Timberville Town Council was held Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Timberville Council Chambers with Mayor Donald Delaughter presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Blosser, Sharon Jones
Ned Overton, Juanita Price
Todd Thomas, Carl Turner

PRESENT: Austin Garber, Town Manager
Wilda Wine, Clerk/Treasurer
J. R. Dodd, Police Chief
Quentin Callahan, Town Attorney
Beverly Garber, Town Historian
Nolan Stout, Daily News Record
George Toscano, Commander American Legion Post 278

GUESTS: Dusty Whetzel, Chris Messina, Josh Veney
Paula and Butch Bowman
Jesse Layne, Bethany Crews, Diana Diaz, Zoe White

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Delaughter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Carl Turner and seconded by Todd Thomas to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2017 council meeting as presented. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

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| TREASURER'S REPORT: | General Fund | \$ 94,741.49 |
| | Water/Sewer Fund | 283,538.49 |
| | Savings Account | 1,046,886.13 |

Treasurer, Wilda Wine reported that the construction loan has been converted to a 10 year term loan with monthly payments of \$9647.00.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT: A motion was made by Todd Thomas and seconded by Sharon Jones to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Dodd reported that he and Ned Overton helped with the cleanup of the river with the Friends of the North Fork. The police department has been making rounds to alert citizens to ordinance violations and issues. They are also informing them of the large trash pickup on April 19th. Jeremy Hooke just completed the Child Safety Seat/Seatbelt Installation class. He and Mike Thompson are both certified to help with installation. Office Scholten and Sgt. Crider are completing the 1st responder medical class. The town cleanup has begun. The Ruritan Club cleaned up along the bluff area and the Boys and Girls Club along American Legion Drive. Rockingham County will be sending a crew for

cleanup on Evergreen Valley Road and Spar Mine. Chief Dodd will contact the sheriff's department about painting the bridge to cover the graffiti.

PUBLIC WORKS: Town Manager Austin Garber gave council a list of work completed by the maintenance crew for the month. Chris Coffman met with the paving companies to receive bids for paving the pool parking lot. Paving will be done by April 14th. Work still continues on trying to restrict truck traffic on Memorial Park Drive. The new signs have not deterred the trucks from using Memorial Park Drive. Austin Garber has contacted VDOT about actually restricting the truck traffic so that the police department could enforce the violations. The request is now at the Staunton District Office for review. VDOT is looking at the intersection of South Main Street and McCauley Drive to see what improvements can be made to make traffic flow for the trucks smoother. Mark and Quentin Callahan, town attorneys, are working on a list of steps to complete the transactions for transfer of the American Legion property to the Town. The American Legion will get an attorney to fix the by-laws of the organization. The bylaws need to name trustees that can complete the sale since the original deed was to the trustees of the organization at the time. Austin Garber thanked Chief Dodd for finding an address for the property owners of the Tusing house on Second Avenue. The town's legal counsel has compiled a letter asking for clarification of the status of the property and the owner's intentions. At a recent budget meeting \$2500 was being allocated in the FY 17-18 budget for the track at Plains Elementary School. The town manager asked if council wanted to go ahead and make the donation or wait until the budget is in effect July 1st. Robert Blosser stated there were unused funds in the current year's budget that could be appropriated for the track donation. A motion was made by Carl Turner and seconded by Juanita Price to pay the \$2500 donation from the current year's budget using available funds and remove the item from the FY 17-18 proposed budget. The motion carried with five members voting in favor. Sharon Jones abstained from voting.

Austin Garber stated he had been reviewing the policy concerning using the park. Previous councils had decided not to allow use of the park for personal monetary gains. He had received a request from a citizen about holding an event for the Town. He introduced Chris Messina, owner of Lickety Split Ice Cream. He explained that he would like to coordinate an event for the town to bring more people into the area and provide entertainment for Timberville's residents. The event would be a fundraiser for the Plains District Memorial Park, the Timberville Volunteer Fire Department, and Broadway Bruins Baseball. The event would consist of yard sales, vendor sales, musical entertainment, family kickball tournament, and different food vendors. Mayor Delaughter polled the council to see if everyone was in agreement about allowing the event as long as the park remained open to the public. He said he would not agree to an event that closed the park to the public. The consensus of the council was to go ahead and see how the event turns out.

PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY: Town Manager Austin Garber reported that he had received two applications for the vacant position. One was a resume and the other in form of a letter. He introduced Chris Messina, who was one of the applicants. The position will remain open until the last Wednesday of April to see if there is anyone else interested.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY: No report.

ZONING ACTIVITY: Fence- 169 Church Street Fence- 193 McCauley Drive
New Dwellings-3539,3560,3470,3559, 3549 Majestic Drive (Legion Hills)

PARKS AND RECREATION: Sharon Jones had no report.

FINANCE: Robert Blosser asked about the advertising deadlines for the budget. The budget will be advertised on time on May 4th prior to May 11th council meeting at which time a public hearing will be held to receive comments. The budget will be adopted at the June council meeting. Robert Blosser stated he wanted to meet with Austin Garber to go over a couple of matters, before advertising.

PERSONNEL: Mayor Delaughter stated that council had received the goals of the town manager and the police chief for the year.

PLAINS DISTRICT MEMORIAL MUSEUM: Beverly Garber gave his monthly history report for Timberville. Wilda Wine reported 175 visitors for the month and 144 volunteer hours logged.

VDOT 6-Year Planning Meeting: Austin Garber stated the meeting will be held at Blue Ridge Community College at 5:30 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS: A request was made for Broadway Bruins for \$350.00 to sponsor a game. This was already in the budget under other donations. A check will be mailed.

Ned Overton wanted to recognize Nolan Stout with the Daily News Record. He recently received a First Place Award for Government reporting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: No further business, the meeting adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Wilda Wine, Clerk

Donald Delaughter, Mayor