

**MINUTES OF TIMBERVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 13, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Timberville Town Council was held Thursday, July 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, Todd Thomas

PRESENT: Austin Garber, Town Manager
Wilda Wine, Clerk/Treasurer
J. R. Dodd, Police Chief
Melinda Cleaver, Office Assistant
Mark Callahan, Town Attorney
Beverly Garber, Town Historian

GUESTS: Paula and Larry Bowman
Arthur Blanchett, Jr.

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

MINUTES APPROVAL: A motion was made by Todd Thomas and seconded by Ned Overton to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2017 special meeting and the regular July 13, 2017 Council Meeting. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT: General Fund	\$138,716.07
Water/Sewer Fund	\$182,581.23
Savings Accounts	\$1,084,684.09

Wilda Wine reported that the auditors would begin on Monday July 31st.

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

POLICE REPORT: Police Chief J. R. Dodd reported that council had received a "town improvement sheet". There were 94 ordinance violations addressed. There are still 42 not in compliance. Those violations are still being addressed. August 1st will be the first National Night Out. It will be held in the Walmart parking lot from 5-8 p.m. This nationally sponsored event is being held with the police department and fire department co-hosting. There will be free hotdogs, music, and inflatable slide. Several businesses have donated towards the event.

PUBLIC WORKS: Council members received a copy of the jobs completed by the maintenance department since last meeting. Austin Garber stated that the property owners of 304 Second Avenue have been contacted regarding the condemnation of the house by Rockingham County Officials. For safety reasons, council asked that the county place a sign warning people that the house is unsafe. Austin stated he had not seen a sign, but he would check with the county. The son of one of the owners had approached the town about the possibility of repairing the house and working out a payment plan for the delinquent taxes. The son was directed to contact Rockingham County to see what he would

need to do to bring the house up to code. A motion was made by Todd Thomas and seconded by Ned Overton to give the property owners 60 days to take positive action that satisfied council. Otherwise a lien would be placed on the property if the town has to demolish the house. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Surveyors will be at the American Legion this upcoming week. Work is proceeding on the settlement of the land transfer.

Randy Sykes of Blue Ridge engineering brought a new set of plans for the Summit. Residents have a draft agreement, but to date have not reached an agreement with the developers. Mark Callahan stated that council has two options. The council can approve removal of the 55 and older restriction and they can approve the new plans. The residents under the private covenants must try to work out an agreement with the developer.

Auto Zone has submitted a preliminary site plan for the old BB&T property in the shopping center. They will also need a variance on the property.

RESOLUTION: A resolution was presented for approval authorizing the town manager to act on behalf of the town to sign documents relating to the financing of a Caterpillar Hydraulic Excavator which is being purchased for \$46,000. The term of the loan shall be 60 months at a 1.9APR. Monthly payments will be \$819.99. This resolution is a requirement of the financing company. Todd Thomas made the motion to adopt this resolution. It was seconded by Robert Blosser. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: The terms of Donald Delaughter and Robert Blosser expired on June 30, 2017. Both members stated they were willing to give up their place on the board to allow Ned Overton, who is chairman of the Business and Industry Committee, to serve. A motion was made by Todd Thomas to reappoint Donald Delaughter and appoint Ned Overton to serve on the EDA. Sharon Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting in favor. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss the disbursement or use of the funds in the EDA account.

ZONING ACTIVITY: Wilda Wine reported the following zoning activity:
156 Shenandoah Ave.- an accessory building, 503 Rill Road- a roof over deck
5220 Clearwater Drive- an accessory building
3191, 3190 Declaration Drive- new dwellings
3480 Majestic Circle- new dwelling

PARKS AND RECREATION: No report. The Mayor reminded everyone of the July Jubilee being planned by Chris Messina would be this weekend. He asked if everything was in place for the event.

PERSONNEL: Austin Garber informed council that he would be going on his wife's insurance policy effective August 1st. He asked council to reimburse him \$150 a month as stated in the personnel policy for not participating in the town's coverage. Todd Thomas made the motion to reimburse him \$150 a month as per the personnel policy. Robert Blosser seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting in favor. Ned Overton suggested that the monies saved by not paying for his family plan insurance be applied to his performance pay. Sharon Jones stated that she would like full council to be present for that discussion.

PLAINS DISTRICT MEMORIAL MUSEUM: Beverly Garber read a list of historical happenings and continued on his tour of the town buildings. Wilda Wine reported 42 visitors for the month and 126 volunteer hours logged. The current exhibit is Early Medicine in Plains District.

OTHER BUSINESS: Sharon Jones asked to have the trees watered twice a week. Donald Delaughter stated that the last Public Works Committee meeting was very productive. He stated that he would like to have another one within a few months to get input on what council wants to see done.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Paula Bowman asked if there was a business operating on the NW corner of Memorial Park Drive and Main Street. She believes that the resident is working on other people's vehicles. Austin Garber and the police department will look into the matter.

Arthur Blanchett, Jr. who lives in Price Trailer Park, thanked council for taking care of the problem with jake brakes on McCauley Drive.

ADJOURNMENT: No further business or comments, the meeting adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Wilda Wine, Clerk

Donald Delaughter, Mayor