

**MINUTES OF TIMBERVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**October 12, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Timberville Town Council was held Thursday, October 12, 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  
Melinda Cleaver, Office Assistant  
Mark Callahan, Town Attorney  
Beverly Garber, Town Historian  
Nolan Stout, DNR

**GUESTS:** Arthur Blanchette, Jr., Carrianna Blanchette  
Carl "Dusty" Whetzel

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

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** A motion was made by Carl Turner and seconded by Todd Thomas to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2017 Timberville Council Meeting as presented. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

<b>TREASURER'S REPORT:</b> General Fund	\$148,369.57
Water/Sewer Fund	\$ 96,597.26
Savings Accounts	\$1,084,684.09

Wilda Wine distributed copies of the completed FY 2016-17 audit.

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT:** A motion was made by Juanita Price and seconded by Carl Turner to pay the bills as presented.

**POLICE REPORT:** Police Chief J. R. Dodd reported that Larry Crider and Mike Thompson have both returned to work after being off for medical reasons.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Council members received a copy of the jobs completed by the maintenance department since last meeting and BOD's were good. Austin Garber stated that the old police car is being readied for public auction. A motion was made by Carl Turner and seconded by Todd Thomas to sign the resolution declaring the property at 304 Second Avenue blighted and the intent of the Town of Timberville to raze and demolish the property at the expense of the landowners and to attach the costs as a tax lien. The motion carried with all members voting in favor. The Town will solicit three bids for the job.

Austin Garber stated that he met with the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to look at the property owned by Bill Holtzman behind the Chevron Station. Because of the steep grade and the normal high water mark, they suggested a six foot walking path to the river to launch boats and canoes. No permits are required by their agency. The Town Manager is meeting with G. B. Foltz to see what can be done on the property and the cost of path. He will report back to Town Council after the meeting.

The Town Manager attended the Smart Scale Meeting hosted by VDOT at Blue Ridge Community College on Tuesday. All projects must be approved by the State. Timberville's projects would need to go through Rockingham County, because the Town does not control their own streets. Rockingham County is only allotted eight requests and Timberville would take away one of those requests. There could be possible Transportation Alternative Programs available for localities.

Ned Overton and Austin Garber attended the VML Conference. Austin will try to type a brief report on some of the items discussed at the conference including the HEAL Program.

The plans for the Auto Zone and the Walmart outparcel have been received and are available for review. The update plans for Bill Holtzman's Exxon are also available.

It was determined that if the Town annexes the growth area or changes the boundary lines to incorporate more property into the town limits, that water and sewer services could be extended.

**BUSINESS & INDUSTRY:** No Report

**ZONING ACTIVITY:** Wilda Wine reported the following zoning activity:

15209 American Legion Drive- accessory building

212 Walnut Drive – Accessory Building

3530 Majestic Drive – New Construction

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376 Ridge Court- Accessory Building

**PARKS AND RECREATION:** No report.

**FINANCE:** A motion was made by Carl Turner and seconded by Juanita Price to set the tax relief amount for 2017 Personal Property Taxes at 44%. The motion carried with council voting unanimously in favor. Robert Blosser also suggested that the Finance Committee meet with a representative from Stern and Heatwole Financial Group to get information on investing funds in government issued bonds. The payments for the American Legion property could be made with the interest generated on these funds.

**PERSONNEL:** No Report

**PLAINS DISTRICT MEMORIAL MUSEUM:** Beverly Garber will continue his tour on Main Street at the next meeting. This time he reported on random happenings in Timberville. Wilda Wine reported 64 visitors for the month and 154 volunteer hours logged. The current exhibit is Early Medicine in Plains District. Also, two smaller exhibits, Folk Art and Bird Haven, are on display.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** VDOT informed the Town that they have placed a truck restriction on West Riverside Drive and Memorial Park Drive effective in August. The signs have yet to be posted. The restriction is

for any straight trucks and commercial vehicles bigger than a pickup. The exception will be UPS and FedEx delivery. Chief Dodd stated he is waiting to see how the signs are worded before enforcing the restriction.

Carl Turner asked if there was an ordinance regulating when trash cans can be put out and when they had to be removed from the street. Ned Overton asked if the Town Manager would check into how other towns regulate yard waste and other burning within the town limits. Austin Garber will look into both items.

Sharon Jones thanked everyone for the flowers, cards, and donations made in honor of her mother who passed away.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

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

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

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Wilda Wine, Clerk

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Donald Delaughter, Mayor