

PUBLIC HEARINGS & REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12th, 2019, 7:00 pm.
STANLEY TOWN OFFICE

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET – 2019-2020

Mayor Michael Knight called the hearing to order at 7:02 pm. with the following council members present: Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Joseph Mauck. Also present were the following: Jason Campbell, Treasurer Leon Stout, Chief Ryan Dean, Leah Pence and Georgia Duncan.

The Clerk read the notice which was published in the local paper two weeks prior to this hearing. The purpose of this hearing is to allow citizens of the Town of Stanley to express their views and comments on this issue. Treasurer Stout advised we had not received any comments written, verbal or by email.

Mayor Knight inquired if there is anyone present that would like to speak. Councilman Uram noted he would like to address the body about the budget. Councilman Uram advised for the past 2 weeks he has been talking to citizens, that had concerns, but are afraid they would be marked if they did say anything. Councilman Uram noted his concern with the audit bill \$20,000 up over \$3,000 from last year and he feels the bill needs to be modified or we look somewhere else.

Councilman Uram noting concerns that even with the contract mowing citizens were thinking the town crew would take care of more water leaks.

Councilman Uram noted concern about people's property getting flooded such as, the Tate Property on Pettit Drive, property on Deford Avenue in the back of Duane Layman's, property in the back of Al Good Drive, Ed Good Park and Historical sights even being flooded.

Councilman Uram noted he also feels we need to contact Mark Obenshain, Todd Gilbert or Ben Cline to help us find the resources to have a study done about the water problems some of our citizens have at their homes. Councilman Uram noted if they can't help maybe the possibility of the Army Corp of Engineers could assist helping us find a solution to their problems. Mayor Knight noted he couldn't spend taxpayer's money to take care of the problems on private property. Councilman Uram noted he had concerns about the health problems than can occur with this type of water problems.

Mayor Knight closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED CIP PLAN 2019 to 2020 – 2023

Mayor Michael Knight called the hearing to order at 7:15 pm. with the following Council Members attending: Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Joseph Mauck. Also, in attendance were as follows: Chief Ryan Dean, Leah Pence, Georgia Duncan, Jason Campbell and Treasurer Leon Stout.

The Clerk read the notice as published in the local paper two weeks prior to the hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to allow citizens of the Town of Stanley to express their views and comments on this issue.

Treasurer Leon Stout noted no comments verbal, emails or written were received on this matter.

Councilman Uram noted he feels money should be moved to CIP for amended growth and development.

Citizen Georgia Duncan inquired about contract mowing and why did we do this, when we have our own mowers. Mrs. Duncan noted people wonder what employees are doing while someone else is mowing and shouldn't water leaks be getting fixed quicker than they are.

Mayor Knight noted contracting some of the mowing would allow the public works men to better address leaks. Mayor Mike Knight also noted with contract labor the town doesn't pay benefits and our employees still have places to mow.

Leah Pence, council woman from Luray, suggested the use of inmate labor to help with mowing. Ms. Pence noted Luray had good success with inmate help and maybe the body would want to look at this possibility. Former Councilman Jason Campbell advised the town had issues when using inmate help which were safety, liability and someone to watch them.

Georgia Duncan addressed the issue of whether the town was looking to build a ballfield on the land adjacent to the old fields on Memorial Drive or in the field in front of the Hawksbill Park.

Mayor Knight closed the hearing at 7:31 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Michael Knight called the meeting to order with the following Councilman in attendance: Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Joseph Mauck. Others attending this meeting are as follows: Treasurer Leon Stout, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Leah Pence, Jason Campbell, and Georgia Duncan. Councilman Bruce Stoneberger was out of town and Councilman Duane Layman was unable to attend per doctor's orders.

Mayor Knight gave the Invocation and Councilman Uram led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Knight inquired if there was any Public Comment on the tentative Agenda for tonight's meeting. Treasurer Leon Stout advised the need to omit the Town Manager's Administrative Report and Closed Meeting from tonight's agenda and reschedule them for the Special Meeting on June 19th.

TOT Funding was mentioned as when the deadline date was for the money being spent. Councilman Knight inquired how much money was left, Treasurer Stout advised there was \$6,538.05. Mayor Knight noted the deadline is June 30th and we need to make a decision on how we are going to spend the balance of the money.

Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Joseph Mauck to approve the Agenda as amended. Passed Unanimously

Mayor Michael Knight asked if there was any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. Motion was made by Joseph Mauck, seconded by Jeremiah Knight, Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight noted next is the Treasurer's Report, Paywarrant and Loan Portfolio. There being no questions on the Treasurer's Report the Body moved to the Paywarrant. Questions are as follows:

Councilman Uram asked about Bill #5 (Battle Creek Landfill - \$411.75) how much tonnage did we pay during Spring Clean-up. Treasurer Stout noted it was for 18,000 lbs.

Councilman Uram noted on Bill #26 (Hawksbill Diner - \$90.00) let the record show he paid for his own meal.

Councilman Uram inquired about Bill #40 (J. Rex Burner - \$2,568.67) for a backflow preventer. Treasurer Leon Stout noted we are required to have this at the pool and the price includes parts and labor.

Councilman Uram inquired Bill #53 (KirbyBuilt Sales - \$2,005.68) where did the money come from to purchase this item. Treasurer Stout noted TOT Funds were used for this purchase.

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Councilman Uram asked about Bill #84 (Richard Burgess - \$31.78) what is this? Leon Stout advised it was the balance left on his security deposit for water service.

Councilman Mauck asked about Bill #57 (Louderback Implements - \$1,159.00) why did we buy a skid loader bucket. Leon Stout advised it was old skid loader and it was rebuilt.

Councilman Uram inquired about Bill #96 (Stanley Auto Service - \$204.73) what vehicle was repaired. Treasurer Stout advised it was the repairs made to the dump truck.

Councilman Uram asked about Bill #98 (Superior Siding & Home Improvement) what else was done to the public work's building. Mayor Knight advised the original price quote didn't include wrapping the windows.

The Loan Portfolio was presented with Councilman Uram noted his concerns about our long-term loans and how it may impact our financial stability and cost that may occur in the next 2 years.

Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Joseph Mauck to approve the Paywarrant totaling \$187,787.65 be paid. Passed Unanimously.

Police Chief Ryan Dean addressed the body at 7:40 pm. noting the cameras are up and working at the town shop.

Chief Dean advised he hired the former major at the Sheriff's Department as a part-time officer for the town.

Chief Dean noted his department answered 506 calls for service, 390 calls self-initiated and 22 citations were issued.

The incident at the pool with swimmers getting in the pool late at night, was the persons who had rented the hall for a wedding reception. Chief Dean advised they didn't realize that the pool wasn't included in the rental agreement. Chief Ryan Dean noted we need to put up signs letting them know the pool is off limits.

Councilman Mike Uram inquired about verbal domestic, where do these occur most often. Chief Dean noted they happened in trailer parks, but it can happen anywhere. Councilman Uram also asked about the fraud cases, at which Chief Dean advised most of them are not reportable.

Town Manager Terry Pettit arrived shortly before presenting the Recreation Report at

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7:55 pm. noting the pool attendance has been great. Town Manager Pettit advised Rex Burner's had to repair the 6-inch main drain that burst and a few other minor problems that always occur with each new pool season.

Mr. Pettit noted he had enclosed in the packet a copy of the report from, Edward Shelton a Safety Consultant from VML and consultant Fonda, on their findings at the Century Station Playground exam. Terry Pettit noted the problems are minor and most have come as a result of wear and tear over the years. Mr. Shelton noted overall the playground has been well kept and will receive a certification noting their findings. Councilman Mike Uram noted he is afraid someone will get hurt due to our negligence and we need to get these items repaired as soon as possible.

Councilman Uram also noted the bridges at the need an ADA handrail, as well as a gap between the bridge and ground that needs to be filled. It was also noted that the playground equipment is age restricted. A checklist needs to be compiled, making it mandatory to inspect the playground and make the necessary repairs.

Councilman Uram also noted he has enough wood chips for all 39 trees but, we need to replace 9 of the trees.

Councilman Uram also commented on the condition of the swings and the playground area at the Hawksbill Park needing attention.

Councilman Uram noted on the Skatepark Bowl at the Ed Good Park having hairline cracks, which can be a safety issue, the problem with the drainage pipe being stopped up not allowing it to drain properly.

Councilman Uram noted there was a problem with the stove at Woodside Cottage as well as water pressure problems at the cottages with the pool being open. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted he has spoken with J. Rex Burner's about an inline pump will eliminate this problem and the cost is between \$1500.00 - \$2000.00. After brief discussion Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to purchase and install the inline pump system to help eliminate this problem. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted in his Public Works Report that a private citizen has asked if the town would take his private water line into the town's water system. Mr. Pettit explained the situation to the body and noted his recommendation not to take over this water line. Council agreed with Town Manager Pettit's decision.

Terry Pettit noted the mower that Councilman Stoneberger let the Wastewater

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Treatment Plant use is doing a good job and would like to have it. Mr. Pettit continued noting that he will need a motion to purchase the mower for \$400.00. Motion to purchase the mower for \$400.00 was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Joseph Mauck. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit noted LSE (Hawksbill Diner) during heavy rain it is pumping at capacity and it can't keep up with the flow and this caused the Diner to close, 3 times in May because the bathrooms weren't working. Terry Pettit noted he was working up the cost to dig a small pit, purchase a pump and set up everything to eliminate this problem. After we are sure everything is working, we will turn it over to the owners of the Hawksbill Diner.

Councilman Uram began presenting his water report at 8:26 pm. noting we had 206 reported leaks and 85% of them have been fixed. Councilman Uram went over several concerns he has with the great amount of water we are losing. Councilman Uram noted 7 leaks were fixed last month and that in his report the leaks are listed in alphabetical order.

Councilman Uram noted we need to look further into finding the proper parts to fix the swings at Hawksbill Park.

Councilman Uram also noted if Council agrees the Enhancement Award for June/July is Edward Showalter. Council all agreed with Councilman Uram's choice for the award.

There was much discussion on TOT Money and how the balance of \$6,538.05 of this is going to be spent, for an amphitheater or a train depot. After much discussion for both options Motion was made by Joseph Mauck, seconded by Jeremiah Knight for the amphitheater. Ayes -2 Nays - 1 Motion Carried.

Mayor Knight noted it was time for Public Comment at 8:55 pm.

Leah Pence noted the town has (2) two great things going; 1st the Homecoming Parade, 2nd the Hawksbill Pool. Ms. Pence also noted the need to put money into advertising these attractions.

Town Manager Pettit noted Jason Cave was interested in putting ball fields at the Hawksbill Park. There was brief discussion on this issue and noted the Recreation Committee would want to meet with him.

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Motion was made at 9:00 pm. by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Joseph Mauck to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously.

Michael Knight, Mayor


Norma Cabbage, Clerk