

REGULAR MEETING
STANLEY TOWN OFFICE
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 09, 2017, 7:30 pm.

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. with the following council members in attendance: Bruce Stoneberger, Duane Layman, Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Jason Campbell. Town Manager Terry Pettit, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Treasurer Leon Stout, Gina Hilliard with Page/Luray Chamber of Commerce, Robin Caracofe, Allison Ecroyd with the Blue Ridge Heritage Project and Georgia Duncan were also in attendance.

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

Mayor Knight inquired if there was any Public Comment on the proposed Agenda for tonight's meeting. Town Manager Pettit noted the need to add Allison Ecroyd from the Blue Ridge Heritage Project under presentations. Councilman Uram stated he needs time to discuss the Community Enhancement Award. Mayor Knight noted this can come under New Business. Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to adopt the Agenda as amended. Passed Unanimously.

Gina Hilliard with Page/Luray Chamber of Commerce was here to bring Council up-date on what's going on at the Chamber. One of the first things Gina discussed, is a challenge from the Luray Town Council Team to the Stanley Town Council to put a team in the 5K Mud Run (Mudurance) on September 30th. Mrs. Hilliard noted they had a good turnout for last year's race and hoped to have even better this year as they have added more obstacles to the course.

Mrs. Hilliard noted she was here to update Council with what's been going on since her last visit in March. Gina noted they have added 14 new members since her last visit making a total of 400 members, which she stated was her goal from the beginning. She also gave stats from April thru June which are as follows: Calls - 316, Walk-ins - 770, Tourist Calls - 251, Tourist Walk-ins - 368. Gina also noted downloads were up to 587, online impressions were over 10,770 million, they have discount tickets for Kings Dominion, they also have 1 of 2 (vehicle) charging stations in Page County. Mayor Knight inquired about the cost of a charging station thinking this would be something the town would be interested in having. Mrs. Hilliard's advised the Town of Luray received a grant for theirs and the Mimslyn's costs probably between \$5,000 to \$8,000.

Gina also noted they have attended several conferences, ribbon cuttings, van tours, have had Facebook live, during small business week as well at the Stanley Homecoming, purchased 2 new Chamber banners, attended Relay for Life event, hired 2 new employees, gave 2 scholarships one to each high school and participated in the event at Cooter's. Mrs. Hilliard participated in Movie Night both in Shenandoah and Luray just as she had planned to be at Stanley's but unfortunately will be out of town. Gina noted she will be sending several people to assist with Stanley's Movie Night event as well as 3 inmates to help set-up and break down

the equipment. Mrs. Hilliard stated the Chamber will be serving popcorn and a drink, leis, Bounce House, Barrel Train Ride. Gina also brought up a make-up day of August 18th which Council agreed. Councilman Jason Campbell inquired if it would be possible to let people coming from 6:00 pm.– 8:00 pm. to swim for \$2.00. After a short discussion, it was decided to allow the \$2.00 fee for swimmers for those 2 hours. Mrs. Hilliard thanked the Body at 8:05 pm. for allowing her this time.

Next on the Agenda, Councilman Uram was to present the 1st Community Enhancement Award Plaque to Bill and Robin Caracofe who reside at 408 East Main Street. Councilman Uram presented the plaque to Robin Caracofe, unfortunately Bill could not attend, noting they won the award for both June and July. Robin thanked the Council for being recognized for this award and left the meeting at 8:07 pm.

Alison Lyons Ecroyd with the Blue Ridge Heritage Project was here with some drawing of the site at the Ed Good Park and noting the changes that were being made. Ms. Ecroyd noted she had met with Councilmen Campbell & Knight to discuss some of these changes such as opening up the site with benches, instead of the fencing, with all of them facing the Chimney. Alison noted the first dedication will be held on Sunday, September 17th at the Chimney site. Ms. Ecroyd also noted they will plan to plant more flowers, trees and shrubs in the spring along with the kiosk and more benches which will be part of Phase 2. Mayor Knight noted he is hoping this Chimney will bring people from out of town as well as middle school students to visit. Ms. Ecroyd said they were so excited and pleased with how this project has turned out and noted we have the largest chimney and challenge others to build one bigger. Alison also and it is their goal to make this an educational site as well as a Memorial. Council advised Ms. Ecroyd the town wants to help with this project and will look for any grants as well as asking the County for TOT Money. Councilman Jason Campbell noted the possibility of a possible tour in the works for this site as well as becoming part of the Heritage Tour. Councilman Campbell noted the Memorial is in a good location and Page County Families are profiled and believes the opportunities are endless. Town Manager Pettit noted with the fencing removed and the benches serving as barriers this looks much nicer and is easier access. Mr. Pettit noted the Public Works Department may be able to build the benches to help with the cost. There was further discussion on this project and Ms. Ecroyd thanked the body and left the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. Councilman Uram advised there was a typo on pg. 2, commas are needed in figures on pg. 3 and pg. 5. Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to approve the minutes as amended. Passed Unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented.

The Monthly Paywarrant was presented with the following inquires:

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Mayor Knight inquired about Bill #51 (Burner Electric - \$8,393.16) that they must have done more than fixed the lights. Treasurer Stout and Town Manager Pettit noted they fixed the lights and replaced the electrical outlets on the poles. Town Manager Pettit noted we have been lucky that nothing bad has happened the shape the outlets were in. Councilman Uram noted he feels we should have a cap on spending so we don't run into this again.

Councilman Campbell inquired about Bills #21 (Harold Stoneberger - \$200.00) and #29 (Superior Concrete - \$994.03) he thought this expense would come out of Walking Trail Fund. Treasurer Stout noted there was funds in that account to cover these bills. Councilman Campbell noted the need to transfers these funds now.

Councilman Uram questioned Bill #15 (County of Page – \$45.90) he thought we had the permit for the Walking Trail Bridge. Mr. Pettit noted a permit was only good for 6 months.

Councilman Uram inquired about Bill #29 (Sprint – Recreation - \$36.79) what was this. Leon Stout noted it was the Recreation Director's cell phone.

Councilman Knight asked about Bill #52 (Gary Breeden - \$282.98) why did we buy lunch for inmates. Treasurer Stout they were used to help get things ready for Homecoming.

Councilman Layman inquired about Bill #33 (D & L Trophies - \$144.00) what did these trophies go for. Councilman Layman was advised they were for the singing competition and the town awards.

Councilman Uram questioned Bill #66 (Louderback Implement - \$412.96) what was done to the backhoe. Treasurer Stout noted it was for replacing a hose.

Mayor Knight inquired about Bill #91 (Stanley Auto - \$422.50) what was done to the Police Department's Dodge Charger. Leon Stout noted it was for work done to the suspension and checked the transmission.

Recreation Director Chuck Short arrived at the meeting 8:40 pm.

Councilman Uram asked about Bill #75 (Page Co-op – \$202.86) what was done at the pool. Councilman Uram was advised it was for several items Chuck purchased for the pool.

Councilman Uram inquired about Bill #159 (Chris Molina - \$400.00) is this what we paid him for the fireworks? Town Manager Pettit noted this was setting off the fireworks.

Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Jason Campbell that the Paywarrant totaling \$158,071.96 be paid. Passed Unanimously.

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Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Duane Layman to accept the Financial Statement in the amount of \$213,983.25. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit presented an up-date on projects that are on-going noting it will be 3-4 weeks probably before the contractor begins the Safe Route to School Project.

Mr. Pettit noted all the necessary paper work with Racey Engineering has been signed and the surveying of Well # 7 should begin within the next few weeks.

Terry Pettit noted the Blue Ridge Heritage Project the chimney is now complete and it looks really good. Terry inquired about using the fence that was at this site, which was removed, and using it at the Little League Park. After a brief discussion Mr. Pettit was advised to use it wherever he thought would be best.

The Town Manager advised the Library Addition is coming along as scheduled with the sheet rock installation completed as of last week.

Mr. Pettit noted the Website issues we discussed at a previous meeting, Leon has found a company in Illinois, that may be what we are looking for. Treasurer Stout distributed literature he obtained from their site and he explained what we are wanting to be able to do and after a lengthy discussion with them he feels this company would works for us. After some discussion, several Council Members suggested the possibility of trying to find a company that is located in Virginia.

Terry Pettit noted the Annual VML Conference is being held in Williamsburg this year on October 1st thru 3rd and if anyone is interested in attending let him know as soon as possible.

Town Manager Pettit noted Rhonda Fisher is wanting to host a Car Show for the Stanley Volunteer Fire Department on September 30th at the Ed Good Park and would like to use the Park free of charge. Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Mike Uram to waive the fee for car show at the Ed Good Park. Passed Unanimously.

Chief Ryan Dean addressed the body at 9:00 pm. noting they had 533 calls this month which was still up, feels the numbers will drop this month.

Chief Dean also noted he received word from DCJS that his department has obtained a 3-year School Resource Officer.

Chief Dean noted he was advised by Southern Software that our CAD System should be up and running within a month to 6 weeks.

Chief Ryan Dean noted that Lt. Chad Brown and himself will be attending an Executive School Seminar at the Homestead for several days in September. Chief Dean noted they probably would not learn a lot at this school but it will put you in touch with some good contacts.

Chief Dean also noted his department held a Bike Safety Class at the School this last month.

The Chief along with Town Manager Pettit noted the need to be prepared to help with the cost for new radios for the police department. Chief Dean noted the radios that are in service now are not made to be used in this way, that is why we have had some many problems. Mr. Pettit noted the fire and rescue will also be getting the new radios.

Recreation Director Chuck Short presented his report at 9:15 pm. noting July was a really good month at the pool. Chuck noted the weather was good in July and unlike last year we closed very little because of rain this year. Mr. Short noted lot of the pool traffic has been tourists which has been surprising because most of the time it is locals. Mr. Short also noted the swimming lessons are done. Chuck Short noted we have lost an employee returning to college but thinks we will be okay with the remaining lifeguards.

Recreation Director Short noted he will be needing about 10 volunteers to help on Movie Night. Council inquired if Chuck would extend the \$2.00 admissions swim fee until 8:00 pm. Mr. Short advised that he would do that and that he has been working on getting some things toward Movie Night.

Mr. Short also noted he had spoken with Donnie Keyser about the cost for the fireworks for the Labor Day Festivities and it will cost around \$1,000.00.

Mr. Short noted Brandon Tate had not gotten back with him on the co-ed tournament.

Chuck Short was asked about how bad the pool was leaking. Mr. Short noted the pool was not leaking bad at all now, it will probably be hard to the find the leak now.

Chuck noted we were able to negotiate \$1,200.00 for the ½ marathon use of the field for parking and the showers and bathrooms at the park. Mr. Short noted he feels we will be able to get more money next year if they choose to use the Hawksbill. Mr. Short also noted we need will need 2 volunteers to assist in parking cars because he will be busy with the Labor Day Fest. Mayor Knight noted we will pay if necessary for 2 people to park the cars.

Mayor Knight asked Town Manager Pettit to order 2 Event Signs and noted that he wanted the park to be exceptionally clean and spruced up as much as possible. There was further discussion on activities, food, corn-hole, other vendors and the cost of admission for this event.

Council advised cost for this event will be \$7.00 per person.

At 10:05 pm. Mr. Pettit noted the VML Conference is being held in Williamsburg again this year, October 1st - 3rd and needs to know if anyone would like to go.

Town Manager Pettit presented the Water Report noting we had our annual well inspection was conducted last Wednesday with only minor issues, we were found to be in compliance.

Mayor Knight noted he was glad to see the leak at Ms. Tharp's has been repaired but wonder if we can do something to help with the ditch problem. Mr. Pettit noted we could.

Councilman Uram noted with the 18 leaks we are losing a lot of water over 2 million gallons. Mr. Uram added that we have leaks that have been there for months and he feels we need to look at our infrastructure. Mike noted we need to look at the areas with the most leaks first, at the ages of the pipes and what it will take to fix the problem. Councilman Uram noted one of the areas with old pipes is on Aylor Grubbs Avenue. Mr. Uram noted we need to work smart and be smart when it comes to all the leaks we have and how to correct the problem.

Mayor Knight noted at 10:14 pm. it was time for New Business to be discussed.

Town Manager Pettit noted Winston Buracker has resigned from the Planning Commission and we will need to find a replacement.

Terry also inquired about how many are still interested in having a tablet to use for town business. After some discussion Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Duane Layman to purchase 3 tablets for Council.

Voting Aye:

Bruce Stoneberger
Duane Layman
Mike Uram

Voting Nay:

Jeremiah Knight
Jason Campbell

Motion Carried 3-2

Councilman Uram noted his nominee for the Enhancement Award for August is Jerry & Daisy Leake whom reside at 1108 Judy Lane. Mr. Uram had pictures for Council to view and all agreed with his choice.

Mayor Knight advised it was time for Public Comment at 10:25 pm.

Georgia Duncan thanked Terry Pettit and Mike Uram for their part in getting lot across from her mowed. She also wanted to thank the police department for patrolling the area on Aylor

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Grubbs Avenue and around the schoolhouse. Mrs. Duncan further noted she is happy and very thankful for their effort trying to make our Town safe.

Motion was made at 10:30 pm. by Jason Campbell, seconded by Duane Layman that the Town Council Convene in a Closed Meeting for the discussion of Legal Matters, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 Subsection A 7.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Bruce Stoneberger
Duane Layman
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made at 11:12 pm. by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight that the Town Council leave the Closed Meeting and Return to Open Meeting. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight states Council is now in Open Meeting

Motion is made at 11:15 pm. by Jason Campbell, seconded by Mike Uram to Adopt a Resolution to Certify a Closed Meeting; the Meeting was held for the purposes allowed under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and that while in the Closed Meeting, only those matters identified in the Motion to hold a Closed Meeting were discussed.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Bruce Stoneberger
Duane Layman
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

No Action Taken.

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Motion was made at 11:15 pm. by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously

Michael Knight, Mayor

Norma Cabbage, Clerk

