

REGULAR MEETING
STANLEY TOWN OFFICE
Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 7:30 pm.

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. with the following Council Members in attendance: Bruce Stoneberger, Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Jason Campbell. Council was advised by Town Manager Terry Pettit that Councilman Duane Layman would not be attending tonight's meeting due to the passing of his mother. Also, attending tonight's meeting were as follows: Curtis Butler and his grandmother, PCHS Senior and her mother, Connie Painter and Geraldine Good members of the Ed Good Walking Trail Committee, Donnie Wilson member of the Sandlot Baseball Team, David Long, Town Manager Terry Pettit and Treasurer Leon Stout.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Knight and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Stoneberger.

Mayor Knight inquired if there was any Public Comment on the tentative Agenda presented for tonight's meeting. Mayor Knight noted he would like to add David Long to the presenters at tonight's meeting. Councilman Uram noted he would also like to discuss the Community Enhancement Award just before New Business. Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Mike Uram to accept the Agenda as amended. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit noted first to address the Council is Curtis Burker, who received a No Trespassing Notice for the Ed Good Park for repeated no helmet violations in April 2016 from our police department. Mr. Burker noted he was here to see if he could have the notice taken off. Council inquired if Mr. Burker had been back at the park since receiving the notice. Mr. Burker noted he had gone to the park one time because he thought the suspension was for 6 months and after he was advised he has not returned. Council inquired of Chief Ryan Dean's feelings on Mr. Burker's request. Chief Dean noted he believed in second chances but after that no more. Chief Dean continued that kids will not listen to police officers. Councilman Campbell advised Mr. Burker he will be held at a higher standard because of his past and needs to tell others about the consequences of not obeying rules at the park. Councilman Campbell thanked Mr. Burker for coming before this Council to plead his case, he knows it wasn't easy. Mayor Knight advised Mr. Burker they were not trying to be mean but you need to wear the helmet for his own safety. Councilman Stoneberger noted we are looking out for his safety as well as all others using the skatepark and only wants everyone to be careful. Mayor Knight thanked Mr. Burker and his grandmother for coming and advised this will be discussed later in the meeting, a decision will be made and they will be notified. Curtis Burker and his grandmother thanked the Council and left the meeting.

Town Manager Pettit noted at 7:45 pm. next to speak is members of the Walking Trail Committee, Connie Painter and Geraldine Good. Mrs. Good addressed the body wanting to know what is going on with the walking trail. Mrs. Good noted they are not having the 5K run this year because there has not been anything done with the money they raised last year. Mrs. Good stated

they would like to see something done. Mayor Knight asked why Hensil couldn't go ahead and pour blacktop and then the bridge can be done. Mayor Knight noted it has been too wet to have the footers poured. Town Manager Pettit advised Mrs. Good to have Hensil come talk to him about this issue. Bruce Stoneberger inquired how much more will it take to finish the walking trail. Mr. Pettit and Leon Stout advised we have enough funds to finish this part of the trail. Mrs.'s Good and Painter left the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Mr. David Long was next to speak to the Council and he advised he was here on behalf of the Virginia Mason's promoting the Virginia Child Identification Program. Mr. Long is here to get permission to set up at the Homecoming to have this available for the children attending this event. Mr. Long noted they will take digital photographs and fingerprints, collect information on each child and put it on a small computer disk as well as give them a laminated ID Card. Mr. Long noted they have 4 donated computers that they used to do the work. Jason Campbell stated that they do this at other events beside the Homecoming. Mr. Long noted they do about 15-25 a year. Motion to allow the Mason to set-up at the Homecoming was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger. Passed Unanimously. Mr. Long thanked the Body and left the meeting at 8:03 pm.

Donnie Wilson with the Sandlot Baseball Team stated they were still going strong selling BBQ Chicken, Bake Sale, Crossbow Raffle, 50/50 drawing. Mr. Wilson stated all the money raised goes back to the county in donations, helping families at Christmas and where ever there is a need.

Mr. Wilson inquired if everyone had seen the addition of the Sandlot Baseball Team to the Welcome to Stanley signs on each end of town. Mr. Wilson is planning a dedication ceremony and wants to invite all the Council. Mr. Wilson noted he wants to invite the Page News, WHSV and possibility of WVPT, Doug Purdham, Board of Supervisors and several others to this event, not sure of the date but will let the body know. There was further discussion about a date for this ceremony and it was set for Saturday, June 24th at 10:00 am. at the sign on East Main Street with Saturday, June 25th at 2:00 pm. as a Rain Date. Mr. Wilson stated the team appreciates everything everyone has done for them. Mr. Wilson thanked the Council and left the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. Mike Uram noted on pg. 1, last paragraph, it should be 52 businesses not jobs, pg. 2, 3rd paragraph, it should be minutes not meeting and on pg. 9 at the top of the page there should be a space between minutes and the # 4. Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to approve the Minutes as amended. Passed Unanimously

The Treasurer Report was presented with brief discussion. Motion was made by Mike

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Uram, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to accept the Treasurer Report as amended in the amount of \$328,811.36 as of April 30th, 2017. Passed Unanimously.

The Monthly Paywarrant was presented with the following inquires:

Mike Uram inquired about Bill #35 (Breedens' Auto - \$4,037.60) did we approve that 2 months ago. Treasurer Stout noted they did but we are just getting the bill.

Jeremiah Knight inquired about Bill #70 (Visa - \$96.32 for snow removal food) how long ago was that. Leon Stout noted it was for some time in March.

Mike Uram asked about Bill #46 (Atlantic Utility Solutions - \$75,970.00) did we not get a cut on the installation since the employees helped. Mr. Pettit noted the only one that helped show them where the meters were located was Kevin Painter and we did not get a cut in price for that.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #6 (DMV - \$1400.00) how many months was that for. Treasurer Stout noted it was for several months and that we are charged \$20.00 per stop. Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #36 (Carrot Top - \$331.91) was that for Town of Stanley Flags or Virginia State Flags. Town Manager and the Treasurer stated it was for both kind of flags.

Bruce Stoneberger asked about Bill #21 (Sprint - \$15.00) what was that for the Little League. Leon Stout noted it was for the Wi-Fi Box they use during sign-ups. Bruce Stoneberger inquired about Bill 52 (Stanley Auto - \$734.10) what were the batteries used in. Treasurer Stout noted it was for the Golf Cart.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #61 (VA Public Works Equipment) is the sewer jet back and working. Town Manager Pettit noted it was back and working fine.

Jason Campbell asked about Bill #77 (Knight and Lucas) what was that. Treasurer Stout and Terry Pettit noted it was for a draw on the Library Addition and it was done that way because our auditors recommended it that way.

Jason Campbell also inquired about Bill #84 (Meyercord Revenue) how long will the stamps last. Leon Stout noted probably at least a year or until we run out.

Bruce Stoneberger inquired about Bills #53 and #54 (Stanley Auto - 31.45 and 26.73) what vehicles were these bought for. Treasurer Stout noted it was for one of the trucks in the public works' department.

Bruce Stoneberger asked about Hawksbill Expense #109 (Hall Deposit Refund - \$100.00). Mr. Stout noted it was the deposit paid when using the hall and is refunded back to the

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renter if everything is OK.

Bruce Stoneberger inquired about Bill #108 (Burner Electrical - \$435.37) Mr. Pettit and Mr. Stout noted it was for hooking up the new stove we got for the Hall and for repairing outlets in the cottage.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #115 (Joann Buracker – Ballfield Rent - \$2,000.00) we pay that every year and does the amount change. Treasurer Stout noted we pay it every year and it usually increases \$100.00 each year.

Jason Campbell asked about Bill #124 (Visa – Deep Fryer for Homecoming - \$780.30). Treasurer Stout noted it was purchased to be used in the food booth to make different things. Mr. Stout continued that they didn't know it was going to cost so much to have it installed in the booth to pass County Inspection. Mr. Stout continued they could use it outside and build a wall around the fryer or figure how to make it a mobile unit. Town Manager Pettit noted we will figure something out in order to use it.

Mike Uram inquired where did the \$500.00 revenue listed under the Recreation Account come from. Mr. Stout noted that Mr. Short sent letters asking for donations and this is from Pioneer Bank.

Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Jason Campbell to approve the payment of the Paywarrant in the amount of \$314,540.86.

The Financial Statement was approved as submitted.

After brief discussion Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Mike Uram to allow Town Manager Terry Pettit to sign and renew the Town's \$100,000.00 Line of Credit and make withdrawals for expenses from the Library Addition.

Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Jason Campbell to allocate \$2500.00 each for the Stanley Volunteer Fire Department and Stanley Volunteer Rescue Squad. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Bruce Stoneberger
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

ABSENT:

Duane Layman

MOTION CARRIED.

Jason Campbell noted the Stanley Fire Department was asked to BBQ Chicken for the Spring into Stanley Event and wouldn't, but sold chicken anyway. Jason Campbell noted we should all work together and not step on each other toes.

Town Manager Pettit presented his Administrative Report at 8:50 pm. noting there is still another hold -up on the Safe Route to School Grant the speed limit sign did not meet VDOT's approval, so that will need to be changed. Council inquired about meeting the deadline date and Mr. Pettit replied that was wiped out.

Mr. Pettit noted the Blue Ridge Heritage Group have met with the building inspector and are on hold because of engineering work. Keith Weakley, a local man, has agreed to do the engineering work at no cost, so this project can move forward.

Mr. Pettit noted Burner Well Drilling started drilling at the New Well #7 and it didn't take long they hit water at 371 ft. at a rate of 625 gallons per minute. Mr. Pettit noted this is good and next it must pump continuously for 72 hrs. with 12 good samples in a row over a 4-day period.

Town Manager Pettit noted the Library Addition is moving along noting the cement floor has been poured, rooms are being framed out and they have also started laying the brick. Mr. Pettit further noted it is close to being on schedule.

Leon Stout noted the Homecoming was going well and that the Spring into Stanley revenue collected at this time is \$1400.00. Leon noted there was advertising done for this event, missed out on some opportunities but overall, they feel good about this event since it was their first try.

Treasurer Stout noted everyone is gearing up for Homecoming, the flyers were real nice for this year's Homecoming and we have been getting those distributed. Mr. Pettit noted the Welcome to Stanley Signs both have the home of Hall of Fame Team theme on them.

Mr. Pettit noted it is his recommendation that we halt bulk trash pickup for county residents and only offer it to town residents. Town Manager Pettit noted over the past year it is cost the town more than anticipated to dispose of the trash at the landfill due to the large amounts of trash being picked up. Council agreed with Mr. Pettit and advised him to stop the bulk trash pickup for county residents.

Mr. Pettit noted he had enclosed a copy of a resolution which has been approved by the

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Town Attorney, that will allow staff to regulate Section 81 of the Town Code during the upcoming months. Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to Adopt the attached Resolution. Passed Unanimously.

Terry Pettit noted the Luray Fire Department would like to use our trash truck again this year at their annual truck and tractor pull on June 3rd. Mr. Pettit noted two of our employees belong to Luray Fire Department and they will be the only one in the trash truck. Council agreed to let Luray Fire Department to use the trash truck and only Ryan Gaunt and Keith Griffith to operate this vehicle.

Mr. Pettit will need to know who is going to ride in the Memorial Day Parade in Shenandoah on May 27th at 3:00 pm.

Mr. Pettit noted he wants to thank Mike Uram for setting up a booth at Luray Spring Fest. Mike Uram presented the Council with an after-action report noting the need for business cards or something to pass out and a tablecloth with the town logo if we plan to keep attending this type of events. The Body agreed with Mike Uram.

Mr. Pettit continued to note that the Judy Lane Project is done. Mayor Knight and Councilman Uram inquired about the leaks that are still there on Judy Lane Ext. Town Manager Pettit noted these were leaks in the old line in the road.

Mike Uram discussed the unemployment figures from March.

Mayor Knight noted the week of March 15th is National Police Week honoring our men and women who serve in law enforcement.

Chief Ryan Dean addressed the body noting they answered 455 calls for the month of April. Chief Dean noted it was a little higher and he has no reason why.

Chief Dean met with Southern Software and discussed the possibility of using the laptops we got from Army Surplus if it can be rebuilt we can use those instead of getting new ones.

Chief Dean was asked about everything going on at the Skatepark. Chief Dean noted it would take a fulltime officer at the skatepark to even try to keep up on what's going on. Chief Dean noted kids will not listen and parents complain the kids have nothing to do. Chief Dean noted kids know the rules but choose not to obey them and they get by with the little stuff then that turns into big stuff. Mike Uram noted he sees a lot of things that kids are doing in town and they are not nice. Chief Dean noted kids of today can be very defiant and become a real problem.

The Recreation Report was presented in writing due to Mr. Short being on vacation. Jeremiah Knight inquired about the situation with the cottage renter. Council was advised he has

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not put the electric bill in his name, still owes the town \$1200.00 on the old electric bill and says he will pay \$300.00 per week until he gets caught up. Mayor Knight and Council advised Town Manager Pettit to do what he must do to move him out.

Mr. Pettit noted TOT Money request will be made at the Board of Supervisors Meeting on June 6th.

Mr. Pettit also noted flyers have been distributed advertising the Hawksbill Recreation's Fun Day on June 10th. Mr. Pettit and Council discussed having tickets to use at the different stations and the more tickets you use the better chance you will have to win because they will put all the tickets collected and put them in a drawing for some great prizes.

Mike Uram noted Movie Night is coming up in Stanley on August 12th with extra activities also going on that night.

Mayor Knight noted it was time for New Business to be presented.

Town Manager Pettit noted Stanley New Hope Church would like to use the Ed Good Parking Lot on May 28th at 6:00 pm. for a Memorial Day Prayer. After discussion Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to allow Stanley New Hope Church use of the parking lot. Passed Unanimously.

Curtis Burkner's request to have his violation removed. There was some discussion and Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to reinstate Curtis Burkner's privileges if there are not any further violations. Passed Unanimously.

Mike Uram noted Richard Olah whom resides at 537 West Main Street was presented the Community Enhancement Award. Mr. Uram noted he spoke with him and gave him the plaque and he was very pleased.

Mr. Uram noted he had a list with the locations of the water leaks that had not been fixed and stated how can we take care of these.

Mike Uram also noted the Town of Shenandoah has formed a Vision Team with Sara Levinson leading the team. Mr. Uram noted this is a good way to move forward for their town

Mr. Uram noted he is very concerned about the Town of Stanley's Website, we need to keep it current and need to list the events for the town.

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Motion was made at 10:50 pm. by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Jason Campbell that the Town Council Convene in a Closed Meeting for the discussion of Personnel Matters, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-311 Subsection A1

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Bruce Stoneberger
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

ABSENT:

Duane Layman

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion is made by Jeremiah Knight that the Town Council leave the Closed Meeting and Return to open Meeting.

Mayor Knight stated the Council is now in Open Meeting.

Motion is made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Jason Campbell to Adopt a Resolution to Certify the 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
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

ABSENT:

Duane Layman

MOTION CARRIED.

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ACTION TAKEN:

Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Mike Uram to help Steve Thompson obtain his Short-Term Disability until he is cleared to return to work at full duty. Passed Unanimously.

Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to hire Josh Alger as a part-time employee at \$9.50 per hour for 30 Days. After 30 Day re-evaluate and hire full time with benefits. Passed Unanimously.

Motion was made at 11:10 pm. by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously.

Michael Knight, Mayor

Norma Cabbage, Clerk