

**PUBLIC HEARINGS & REGULAR MEETING**  
**STANLEY TOWN OFFICE**  
**Wednesday, June 10, 2015, 7:00 pm.**

**PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED CIP – FY 2015 – 2020**

Mayor Purdham called the hearing to order at 7:00 pm. with the following Council Members attending: Mike Knight, Bruce Stoneberger, Duane Layman, Mike Uram and Martha Graves. Also present at this hearing were as follows: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Town Accountant Leon Stout, Police Chief Timmy Foster, Gary Breeden, Georgia Duncan, Danny Presgraves, Frank Horng, Rebecca Armstrong with Page News and Courier and Clerk Norma Cabbage.

The notice was published in the Page News and Courier for two weeks prior to the hearing. The Clerk read the notice as it was published.

The purpose of this hearing is to allow citizens to express their views and comments on this issue.

Mayor Purdham inquired if there were any comments on this issue.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 pm.

## **PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET – FY 2015-2016**

Mayor Purdham called the hearing to order at 7:15 pm. with the following Council Members in attendance: Mike Knight, Bruce Stoneberger, Duane Layman, Mike Uram and Martha Graves. Also present at this hearing were as follows: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Town Accountant Leon Stout, Police Chief Timmy Foster, Gary Breeden, Georgia Duncan, Danny Presgraves, Frank Horng, Rebecca Armstrong with Page News and Courier and Clerk Norma Cabbage.

The Clerk read the notice as published in the Page News and Courier for two consecutive 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.

Town Manager Pettit he had not received any calls on this issue, only one verbal comment and that person is at the meeting.

Gary Breeden owner of D.R.'s Quick Stop addressed the body noting that he is opposed to the increase in the cigarette tax from 20 cents to 30 cents per pack. Mr. Breeden noted he had paid over \$26,000.00 to the town in 2014. Mr. Breeden further stated not only do we live in a town that has some of the lowest incomes and the highest unemployment rate and you are passing this burden on to the businesses. Mr. Breeden noted it is hard to compete with others businesses, even those in the county, and with this additional tax it will make it almost impossible. Mr. Breeden noted he knew they could tweak something else to get the revenue needed for the budget. Councilman Uram inquired of "How can we fix this?" to Mr. Breeden. Mr. Breeden noted they can spread this increase all around instead of on just a few. Mr. Breeden noted he has heard for several years the pool has not made money, maybe some cuts can be made there. Mr. Breeden noted they need to sharpen their pencils and make cuts elsewhere. Mr. Breeden noted if they raise the cigarette tax people will go wherever they can get them the cheapest.

Joyce Smith arrived at the hearing at 7:22 pm.

Frank Horng owner of Stanley Tobacco, was also present at this hearing noted the increase would also be hard on his business. Mr. Horng noted it may come to him having to close the business and try to rent the building.

Mayor Purdham noted the intent of the Council was to pass this on to the smokers not to hurt any of the businesses in Town. There was further discussion about not going through with this increase.

Mayor Purdham closed the hearing at 7:40 pm.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Purdham called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm. with the following Council Members present: Mike Knight, Bruce Stoneberger, Duane Layman, Mike Uram and Martha Graves. Also in attendance at this meeting were the following: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Town Accountant Leon Stout, Police Chief Timmy Foster, Georgia Duncan, Danny Presgraves and Joyce Smith.

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

Mayor Purdham inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the proposed agenda for tonight's meeting. There being none Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Mike Uram to pass the Agenda as presented. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Purdham inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. There being none Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Duane Layman to approve the Minutes as presented. Passed Unanimously.

The Financial Statement was presented and approved. Councilwoman Graves noted since our finances are in decent shape and we have funds in the general account she recommends that the Chamber of Commerce donation of \$750.00 be made, that we put \$10,000.00 in the Sewer Reserve and \$10,000.00 in the CIP Water Reserve. After a brief discussion, Motion was made by Martha Graves, seconded by Duane Layman to accept the recommendations made by Councilwoman Graves. Passed Unanimously.

Councilman Uram inquired what is done with the remaining money at the end of the fiscal year. Councilwoman Graves noted the money is used to carry the town through July and August which are low revenue months.

The Monthly Paywarrant was presented with the following inquires:

Councilman Knight - Bill #1 (Battlecreek Landfill) what were these charges. Terry Pettit noted he had advised the Body that when we take our trash truck to the landfill, we are charged for dumping.

Councilwoman Graves - Prepaid Bill #15 (Visa) what was office repairs that was prepaid. Accountant Stout noted it was for the mats under the office chairs so not to leave marks on the new flooring.

Councilman Uram - Prepaid Bill #17 (Visa) what was for Water Testing that had to be prepaid on the VISA bill. Accountant Stout and Town Manager Pettit noted it was for water testing bottles further noting it is how you have to order them.

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Councilman Stoneberger - Prepaid Bill #34 (Tony Fox) our employees couldn't fix the leak. Town Manager Pettit noted this bill was for the man that was trying to locate the leak.

Mayor Purdham noted the need for a Motion that the June Paywarrant in the amount of the amount of \$123, 010.50 be paid. Motion was made by Mike Knight, seconded by Duane Layman that the paywarrant be paid. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Purdham noted it was time for Old Business to be discussed at 8:00 pm.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted we are still waiting for the final word from Richmond to proceed.

Mr. Pettit noted we will advertise for bids within the next few weeks for the Safe Route to School Grant.

Mr. Pettit also noted the Al Good Drive drainage problem is complete thanks to the crew from the AmeriCorps, which is a federally funded program, sent here to fix the ditch. Mr. Pettit noted it was a crew of eight young adults that came and worked very hard to fix this problem and they did. Mr. Pettit noted he hopes they will return and teach us how to maintain it so this will not happen again.

Town Accountant Leon Stout left the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Mr. Pettit noted we have received 2 proposals on the RFP's for the water line project. Mr. Pettit presented them to the Mayor to open at this meeting. The proposals were from Racey Engineering and Anderson & Associates.

Town Manager Pettit noted he is meeting with John Madara with the Northern Shenandoah Valley Planning Commission on updating our Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Pettit noted it should be ready for Council to view in August and go to Public Hearing in January.

Mr. Pettit noted on-line payments can be made through our website and that we have our first customer which was payment for the 5K Race.

Mr. Pettit noted during the week of June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) Norfolk and Southern Railroad will be moving the old railroad crossing on East Main Street and installing a new one. Mr. Pettit noted at one point the road will be closed completely for 24 hours and they have an alternate traffic route for this closure. Mr. Pettit noted the alternate route will be posted on the Town's website.

Mr. Pettit noted he was notified by VDOT that on July 6<sup>th</sup> they will begin resurfacing operations at the intersection of Chapel Road and East Main Street and continue to the

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intersection of West Main Street and Old Stanley Road.

Mr. Pettit noted he will work with both to keep the impact to our businesses to a minimum.

Mr. Pettit noted our VML Insurance is up for renewal and wants to make sure Council wishes to proceed. Mr. Pettit noted the cost of renewal is \$36,000.00. Mr. Pettit was advised to proceed with the same.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted to remember Homecoming will begin July 1<sup>st</sup> thru July 4<sup>th</sup> and Council's night in the food booth is Wednesday (July 1<sup>st</sup>) at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Pettit displayed the new design for the Town of Stanley Flag for the body. After a brief discussion if the body wanted to make the flag available for the public to purchase. The body advised Mr. Pettit that the Town should sell the flags.

Mr. Pettit noted Relay for Life is requesting a Season Pass for the Hawksbill Pool to be given as a prize. Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Mike Knight to donate a pass. Passed Unanimously.

Mr. Pettit noted there was a surprise DEQ inspection at the Wastewater Plant and everything was good. Mr. Pettit noted she also went to the Hawksbill Park and that he cannot get her to understand how the filtration system works.

Mr. Pettit noted he is sure the Body has seen that we have inmates working again. Councilman Knight noted the roof on Large Shelter really needs to be painted and inquired if the inmates could possibly do this. Mr. Pettit noted he would check with the Sheriff's Department to make sure.

Town Manager Pettit noted we have been asked by VML if we would be interested in joining their group and make an ornament representing the Town of Stanley. Mr. Pettit noted the ornament will be placed on the VML Christmas Tree in the governor's office. Council advised Mr. Pettit they thought that would be nice.

Chief Timmy Foster addressed the Council at 8:25 pm. noting his department had been busy with the Click-it or Ticket Program. Chief Foster noted his department has completed testing a couple of different Body Cameras along with Luray Police Department through a Pilot Program.

Chief Foster noted his department has some surplus items from the government that they are not using and want to give it to the Town to do what they ever they choose. Chief Foster noted the value of the items is from \$27,000.00 to \$42,000.00. After brief discussion the items

will be advertised in the paper for sale by closed bids only.

Mr. Pettit noted Pioneer Bank is willing to purchase another piece of playground equipment in the price range of \$2,500.00. Mr. Pettit noted the Recreation Committee needs to meet to decide what they would like to put at the park.

Mr. Pettit noted an estimate from Clyde Freeze Fencing for fencing at the Ed Good Park from where it ends now to the end of the Park. Council advised Mr. Pettit to proceed with the project.

Mr. Pettit noted work will soon begin on the BMX Ramp at the Ed Good Park.

Mr. Pettit also noted we probably need to do something at the Ed Good Park put up signs or speed bumps before an accident happens to someone going in or out of the shelter and bathrooms. Chief Foster noted he also felt we need to do something and that maybe we could try signs to see if that helps before the speed bumps.

Recreation Director Chuck Short addressed the Body at 8:35 pm. Mr. Short noted his news was not good; the pool is leaking even more than last year. Recreation Director Short further noted we are probably losing 5,000 gallons a day. Mr. Short noted Tony Fox tried to locate the possible cause and found 4-5 leaks in the skimmer lines and saw no signs of any leaks in the pool liner. Mr. Short noted it could still be in the floor T joints and he also feels it could have happened when we had the earthquake in 2010 Mr. Short noted if we can get these repaired he is hoping to open the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of July. Councilman Uram inquired the cost to make these repairs. Mr. Short noted he would not have any idea of the cost until they get here and find the leaks. Councilman Stoneberger inquired if Mr. Short thought the company that put in the liner slighted us any when it was installed. Mr. Short noted he did not think the company did anything wrong.

Mr. Short noted he had also worked to repair the piece of playground equipment and he feels kids to big are playing on the equipment causing the problems.

Mr. Short noted he had made some repairs to the Skatepark but has not been able to find the coping to fix anymore.

Councilman Knight inquired if all the renters at the Hawksbill Park are current on their rent. Mr. Knight was advised they had not paid the old rent as of today. Councilman Knight noted to advise them it has to be paid.

Mayor Purdham inquired if there was any New Business that needs to be discussed at this meeting.

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Town Manager Terry Pettit noted adjustments to budget figures would be made since Council has decided not to increase the Cigarette Tax. Mr. Pettit noted these adjustments would be made by Friday and he would get copies of these to each member for their review before the final vote.

Mr. Pettit noted the need for a short meeting on Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. at the Town Office to vote on the budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Councilman Uram noted he had received several complaints of dog feces on the sidewalks in town where people are trying to walk. Mr. Uram thinks the Council needs to really look into installing glove stations through the town to hopefully prevent this problem.

Motion was made by Mike Knight, seconded by Martha Graves to proceed with C.W. Freeze's bid on completing the fence at Ed Good Park. Passed Unanimously.

Motion was made at 9:25 pm. by Martha Graves, seconded by Mike Uram to close this meeting.

**VOTING FOR:**

Mike Knight  
Bruce Stoneberger  
Duane Layman  
Mike Uram  
Martha Graves

**VOTING AGAINST:**

None

MOTION CARRIED.

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Douglas L. Purdham, Mayor

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Norma Cabbage, Clerk

**Special Meeting**  
**Stanley Town Office**  
**Wednesday, June 17, 2015, 7:30 pm.**

Mayor Purdham called the meeting to order with the following Council Members present: Mike Knight, Bruce Stoneberger, Duane Layman, Mike Uram and Martha Graves. Also present at the meeting were: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Accountant Leon Stout and Chief Timmy Foster.

Town Manager Pettit noted the changes were made to the Budget and everything came out exactly the same.

Councilman Stoneberger noted we may need to look into another boundary line adjustment to incorporate more businesses in order to be able to have revenue for the budget. Further discussion continued on this issue noting that we are limited to where we can go with the adjustment. Accountant Stout noted the last boundary line adjustment cost us \$53,000.00.

Mayor Purdham stated it was time to vote on the Budget.

Motion was made by Martha Graves, seconded by Duane Layman to adopt the 2015-2016 Amended Budget.

**VOTING FOR:**

Mike Knight  
Bruce Stoneberger  
Duane Layman  
Mike Uram  
Martha Graves

**VOTING AGAINST:**

None

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Councilman Uram inquired if we knew what was going to happen about the pool opening. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted a company has tested the skimmers one by one and found only one spot in the island that was leaking water. Mr. Pettit noted we should be able to find and fix this leak and if we can't J. Rex Burner will be able to fix it for us. Councilman Uram noted we need to be creative in ways to make money at the pool because if not how will we offset the funds from the pool not opening.

Mayor Purdham stated it was time to vote on the Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion was made by Mike Knight, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to adopt the CIP for 2015-2020.

**VOTING FOR:**

Mike Knight  
Bruce Stoneberger  
Duane Layman  
Mike Uram  
Martha Graves

**VOTING AGAINST:**

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Purdham noted the last item that needs to be taken care of at this meeting is adopting the State Code.

Motion was made by Martha Graves, seconded by Duane Layman to adopt the Vehicle State Code for 2015-2016.

**VOTING FOR:**

Mike Knight  
Bruce Stoneberger  
Duane Layman  
Mike Uram  
Martha Graves

**VOTING AGAINST:**

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted Main Street will be closed starting Wednesday thru Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup> - June 27<sup>th</sup> to repair the road at the Railroad Track. Mr. Pettit noted Main Street will be closed beginning at Judy Lane and ending at Honeyville Avenue at the Methodist Church. Mr. Pettit advised he will advise the businesses affected by this closure. Mr. Pettit also noted this closure is on the Town of Stanley's Website.

Mr. Pettit displayed the Town of Stanley Flag with the new design and Council approved.

Chief Timmy Foster addressed the Body noting it is his recommendation to hire Henry Molina to fill the vacancy in his department. Chief Foster noted he would fit in well with the other officers and feels he will be an asset to the department. After a brief discussion Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to accept Chief Fosters' recommendation to hire Henry Molina.

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**VOTING FOR:**

Mike Knight  
Bruce Stoneberger  
Duane Layman  
Mike Uram  
Martha Graves

**VOTING AGAINST:**

None

MOTIONCARRIED.

Chief Foster inquired if the curfew is the same as usual for Homecoming. Council advised the Chief everything will be the same.

Mr. Pettit noted the need to change the July Council Meeting to the 15<sup>th</sup> due to Homecoming.

Motion was made at 8:00 pm. by Martha Graves, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously.

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Douglas L. Purdham, Mayor

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Norma Cabbage, Clerk

**TAX LEVIES**

The Levy will be \$.75 (seventy-five cents) per \$100.00 assessed valuation on Personal Property.

The Levy will be \$.24 (twenty cents) per \$100.00 assessed valuation on Real Estate.

Bank Franchise Tax- computed based on the bank's net capital and total deposits (local branch share).

The Levy for motor vehicle license tax shall be based on the schedule in the Town Code at \$15.00 per vehicle.

The Food and Beverage tax shall be 5% on meals as provided in the Food and Beverage Tax Ordinance.

Lodging Tax shall be 4% as provided in the Lodging Tax Ordinance.

Water Connection Fee	-	Inside	\$2,700.00
Water Connection Fee	-	Outside	\$3,700.00
Sewer Connection Fee	-	Inside	\$3,000.00
Sewer Connection Fee	-	Outside	\$4,500.00
Water Facility Fee	-	Inside	\$1,125.00
Water Facility Fee	-	Outside	\$2,000.00
Sewer Facility Fee	-	Inside	\$1,625.00
Sewer Facility Fee	-	Outside	\$2,500.00
Water inside	-	\$17.50	1,500 gallon minimum per month
Water inside	-	\$19.00	Minimum for over 1,500 Gallons
Water outside	-	\$19.50	1,500 gallon minimum per month
Water outside	-	\$21.00	Minimum for over 1,500 gallons
Sewer inside	-	\$28.62	25.50 Minimum per month
Sewer outside	-	\$30.30	25.50 Minimum per month
Trash Inside	-	\$12.50 per month	
Trash Outside	-	\$14.50 per month	

Cigarette Tax will be .20 (twenty) cents per pack.

The above levies are a tentative rate fixed by the Town Council, this 10th day of June, 2015.

It is ordered that the notice of such proposed budget be published according to law and that the Town Council will be in session June 10, 2015, at the hour of 7:00 pm, at which time any citizen may attend and be heard on the budget.

