

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**STANLEY TOWN OFFICE**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 08, 2017, 7:30 pm.**

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order with the following Council Members in attendance: Duane Layman, Bruce Stoneberger, Jeremiah Knight, Mike Uram and Jason Campbell. Also, attending this meeting were as follows: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Treasurer Leon Stout, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Stanley Elementary School Principal Cathy Marston and Daughter, Kaitlin Pomerleau with the Cancer Society, Dixie Tate with the Page News and Courier and 2 PCHS Seniors.

Mayor Knight gave the Invocation and Vice-Mayor Bruce Stoneberger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Knight inquired if there was any Public Comment on the tentative Agenda under 2A as presented for tonight's meeting. Town Manager Pettit noted the need to add Kaitlin Pomerleau from the American Cancer Society. Motion was made to accept the Agenda as amended by Jason Campbell, seconded by Duane Layman. Passed Unanimously.

Principal Cathy Marston was first to make her presentation to the body. Mayor Knight congratulated Mrs. Marston and Kelly Davis on the STEM (science, technology, education and mathematics) awards they received. Principal Marston noted she wanted to thank the town for all their help, whenever they call, no matter what it is, someone always responds and does so quickly. Principal Marston also stated the students love to have visitors and welcomes the Council to come and meet each one. Mrs. Marston said the Town has been gracious enough to allow the school in conjunction with the Library to place a "Free Lending Library Box" at the Ed Good Park. Principal Marston also brought three designs for the boxes for the Council to choose the one they liked best. Discussion followed about the designs, placement of the box, having one of the cameras focus on the box in case of vandalism and that the school along with the children will maintain the box. Council chose the design for the box and Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Bruce Stoneberger to allow the "Free Lending Library Box" to be placed at the Ed Good Park. Passed Unanimously.

Kaitlin Pomerleau with the American Cancer Society through Harrisonburg addressed the body at 7:43 pm. and expressed appreciation to the council for allowing her to speak at tonight's meeting. Ms. Pomerleau noted March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month and that it is the 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of deaths next to Lung Cancer. Ms. Pomerleau noted it is the Cancer Society's goal that 80% of Americans will have Colon Screenings by 2018. Kaitlin Pomerleau noted everything starts at the local level on getting the word out about colon cancer, answering questions, explaining the procedure and the fears associated with the word colonoscopy. She discussed many issues about the screening including support and employers making it easier for employees to get time off for the screening. Ms. Pomerleau noted she would like for the Town of Stanley to get on board supporting this screening along with the Town of Shenandoah and the Page County

School Board. After a brief discussion, Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Duane Layman to accept the "Pledge as a Group" that the Town of Stanley is Supporting the Shared Goal of Reaching 80% Screened for Colorectal Cancer by 2018. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. Mayor Knight noted on pg. 2, second paragraph about in the middle of the paragraph a sentence was quoted twice (Council Uram noted he was very excited about this happening in Stanley) and Councilman Stoneberger noted on pg. 6, fourth paragraph a type-o the word should be of not on. Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Mike Uram to approve the minutes of the previous month's meeting as amended. Passed Unanimously.

The Financial Statement and accompanying Note were presented. Mike Uram inquired about the Century Station Account and why do we keep this open. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted Pioneer Bank had us set it up for Century Station for donations to be made and will leave it open for that reason. Mike Uram also noted on the Note to the Financial Statement he feels it should state the month and year with Paywarrant Bill Due. Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Jason Campbell to approve the Financial Statement as presented in the amount of \$491,668.97. Passed Unanimously.

The Monthly Paywarrant was presented with the following inquires:

Mayor Knight inquired about Bill #3 (Breden's Auto - \$78.59 and \$60.95) 2 police cars had an oil change and there was a difference in price and what was different that made one most expensive than the other. Treasurer Leon Stout noted one took synthetic oil and the other one didn't.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #2 (Botkin Rose - \$9,689.70) why did we need an attorney. Town Manager Pettit and Treasurer Stout noted it was for Bonding Fees for the Loan/Grant for the new water meters.

Mike Uram inquired about Bill #12 (Pennonni Associates - \$307.50) this was for I&I work. Mr. Pettit noted it was for sending the Quarterly Reports to DEQ.

Bruce Stoneberger inquired about Bill #19 (Union Paper - \$277.32) what do we get from them. Leon Stout noted we get trash bags, toilet paper, paper towels, etc.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #10 (HD Supply - \$1,374.30) will we need any more meters? Town Manager Pettit noted he hoped not because as they can see they are very expensive.

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Mike Uram inquired about Bill #23 (YNBP -\$16,800.00) this was higher this year? Treasurer Stout noted it was \$20,000.00 last year, it is lower this year at \$16,800.00.

Jason Campbell inquired about Bill #49 (Post Office - \$416.66) do we pay this much every month. The Clerk and Treasurer noted this was more because of it being the 3 months and the monthly bills.

Jason Campbell also inquired about Bill #63 (SVEC - \$11,322.03) was this amount for two months. Treasurer Stout noted it was for 2 months because of the way council meetings falling early in the month sometimes the bills overlap.

Jason Campbell inquired about not seeing the police department's rent being paid. Treasurer Stout noted, again it happens when Council Meetings fall certain times of the month.

Bruce Stoneberger inquired about Bill #37 (Visa - \$1,130.58) what was for bought for the Public Work's men. Leon Stout advised it was for boots, clothes and gloves.

Mayor Knight noted the need for a Motion for the Paywarrant. Motion was made by Jason Campbell that the paywarrant totaling \$521,244.60 be paid, seconded by Jeremiah Knight. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Terry Pettit presented his administrative report at 8:15 pm. updating the Council several on-going projects for the Town.

Mr. Pettit noted VDOT had issued the Safe Route to School Project to Dink's Construction and they are in the process of getting everything in order so they can begin construction. VDOT is working with them to get this project completed since it has been delayed for so long.

Terry Pettit also spoke on the Blue Ridge Heritage Project and advised site plans are being drawn up for Council to review.

Town Manager Pettit noted Council will need to make a decision on the request from Greg Foltz to rent space at the Ed Good Park to sell his product through the summer. Mr. Pettit noted if approved, they will need to set a price per month for Mr. Foltz. Jason Campbell noted even though Mr. Foltz doesn't need the 3-Phase Power he feels we still need to consider having it installed at the park. Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Duane Layman to allow Greg Foltz to rent space to park his bus and sell his ice cream products. Passed Unanimously.

The Parks/Recreation Committee will meet to discuss the price and come-up with a contract for Mr. Greg Foltz.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted all the paperwork for the Loan/Grant has been completed on the police car and excavator. Mr. Pettit reported we have all the equipment except the excavator and that should arrive this week.

Mr. Pettit noted Burner's Well Drilling should begin work on Well #7 in the next week or so and should be finished by the end of the month.

Terry Pettit noted SVEC notified him that they are still waiting on poles for the power upgrade project and hope to start the first of April.

Town Manager Terry Pettit continued with the Administrative Report noting the footers have been poured for the Library Edition and if everything goes as planned the block work should start this week. Mr. Pettit also reminded everyone to make plans to attend the Library Fund Raiser which is a Prime Rib Dinner at Calvary Church on April 1<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 pm.

Mr. Pettit advised the council that he got three (3) estimates on repairing the trash truck, which were included in their packets. After some discussion, Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to proceed with Breeden's Auto estimate of \$4,037.60 to repair the trash truck. Passed Unanimously.

Mr. Pettit noted the sewer jet was taken to Richmond, where it was repaired seven years to get an estimate on repairs, because we are having some mechanical problems. Mr. Pettit further noted we purchased the sewer jet in 1998 and has done us a good job but ~~the~~ has received word from the company that the pump is gone. Mr. Pettit noted Virginia Public Works gave him a price of \$8,000.00 to get it working again and to purchase a new one ~~it~~ would cost \$64,000.00. There was discussion on this issue and it was suggested if we could contract out the work to Seal's Septic. Mr. Pettit noted we really need our own sewer jet because of possibly having to wait on Seal's to arrive. Bruce Stoneberger inquired if there was a grant available to help with the cost. Mr. Pettit advised grants do not cover repairs. Mike Uram inquired what department would fund this repair, sewer, streets, etc. and noted we need to learn to live within our means sometimes. After further discussion Motion was made by Bruce Stoneberger, seconded by Duane Layman to make the repairs to the sewer jet, but make sure it is the price quoted. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit noted he had included in their packets flyers with events sponsored by the Homecoming Committee such as: Easter Portraits, Paint Night and Spring into Stanley. Mr. Pettit noted they hope to add wine tasting to the Spring into Stanley Event as long as we can provide a secure site and the vendors are responsible for all the required permits. Chief Dean noted he is not sure they are aware of what they are getting into with the wine tasting venture. Chief Dean stated there must be a roped off area that is out of the way. After further discussion Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to allow the wine tasting

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event pending Chief Dean's approval. Motion Passed. Bruce Stoneberger voted nay.

Mr. Pettit also noted CountrySide Restaurant will close for several days as it has changed owners again.

Town Manager Pettit noted the list of Zoning Permits included and was asked to include the addresses. Mr. Pettit noted he would the next time he lists them.

Police Chief Dean addressed the Council at 8:45 pm. noting one of the arrests on his report the FBI will be handling it due the nature of the case.

Chief Dean noted he has gotten hooked up with a Children's Safety Program and will be able to get a lot of items for the kids free.

Chief Dean further noted his department will be audited by the state sometime in May. Chief Dean noted he has a list of what they will be looking at and they are ready.

Lt. Chad Brown has completed revising the Standard Operating Procedure and we hope to have it signed off on this week.

Chief Dean noted Officer Nick Winum is the traffic person, being with the State Police for so many years and he is trained to look for all traffic offenses. Officer Rodney Wilson has worked with drug enforcement for many years and Lt. Brown is good with paper work and protocol as well as himself. Chief Dean feels we have a good blend of everything and we work well together.

Chief Dean noted the need to get the Southern Software System installed for his department which will replace the IBR System they have.

Chief Dean also noted the need if any way possible to look getting LEO's for his department and he knows it is a financial issue but we would be able to hire just about any officer we wanted.

Chief Dean inquired if there were any questions, there were none, he thanked the Council and left the meeting at 8:51 pm.

The Recreation Report was presented in writing due to Mr. Short having basketball games tonight.

Mike Uram inquired about the replacement playground equipment that Pioneer Bank gave \$2,000.00 of the \$2,126.22. There was no answer.

Bruce Stoneberger inquired that on the report it says "1 Outstanding-will not pursue" what does he mean by that. Mr. Stoneberger was advised that he meant 1 boy did not pay and he was not going to try to get the money. After some discussion on this issue Bruce Stoneberger and Mike Uram noted they would split the entry fee for the boy.

Town Manager Pettit noted the damage to the lock on the bathroom door at the Ed Good Shelter happened because the girls could not get the knob to turn to let them out and called 911. Mr. Pettit noted there was no vandalism involved, it was the knob would not work to let them out. Mr. Pettit noted he feels we should put a commercial type lock on the bathroom doors to help prevent this from happening in the future.

Mr. Pettit stated at the end of the pool season last year he asked the pool employees to make a list during the winter of things that we could do to make things better at the pool. Mr. Pettit noted he took their ideas, made a list and has included it in the packets for Council to review. Mayor Knight suggested we pick five (5) of the suggestions within reason to try to get them done this year. Mrs. Cathy Marston noted the kids at the elementary school will do one also. Mayor Knight noted that would be great. Mike Uram noted we could check with Walmart about helping make these things happen from the Town's point or as a veteran's point.

Mayor Knight noted he disagreed with Mr. Short's figures from the Valentine's Dance and inquired if all the money was collected. Treasurer Stout noted he would check with the pharmacy for any money from ticket sales. Jeremiah Knight noted he feels Mr. Short should make more of an effort to be at the meeting. Mike Uram noted Mr. Short needs to make a more detailed breakdown when doing his reports so it is clear.

Mayor Knight inquired of Town Manager Terry Pettit about the trash that was left at the cottage at the Hawksbill Park. Mr. Pettit advised the Mayor that it was taken care of.

Town Manager Pettit noted Chuck stated in his report that replacing the cast iron with plastic would be a major undertaking due to the amount of lines involved. It was noted that we could replace the pipe a section at a time until completed.

Mr. Pettit noted the President of the Little League is asking if the town would get 2 Port-a-Johns for the ballfield on Park Road and they would like to have a flagpole there also. Treasurer Stout noted he checked on Port-a-Johns and 2 of them will cost the town about \$500.00 for the short 3-month season. After brief discussion, Council decided to put 1 Port-a-John to start and they also have a flagpole that can be used at the Little League Park.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted the generator is working fine at the wastewater plant.

Mr. Pettit noted installation of the new meters is going well and they have about 1,000 installed. Mr. Pettit noted these new meters will measure if a cup of water used and now all

customers will have new working meters and there will be no excuses about usage. Town Manager Pettit noted he is going to draft a letter to 3-month customers, with Council approval, advising they will start receiving a water bill every month. Mr. Pettit noted we have some minor issues to work out, but thinks everything will be good.

Mike Uram noted we have 13 leaks that need to be repaired. Mr. Uram is very concerned about the gallons of water we are losing and wasting. Mr. Uram noted he thought we would started fixing leaks since we had a mild winter. Mr. Uram noted we may need to replace the pipe instead of repairing the leak. Mike Uram noted the need to budget for pipe that need to be replaced.

Mayor Knight stated at 9:31 pm. it was time for New Business to be discussed.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted we have been asked to adopt the attached Resolution proclaiming April 1-7, 2017 as LOCAL GOVERNMENT EDUCATION WEEK. Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Duane Layman to adopt the same. Passed Unanimously.

Mr. Terry Pettit noted the need to have a Budget Meeting and he has a list with several dates and inquired if any of those would suit this body. After a short discussion, the Body agreed to Wednesday, March 22nd, at 7:00 pm.

Town Manager Pettit introduced the new reporter from the Page News and Courier, Dixie Tate, to the Council.

Mayor Knight distributed flyers on “Cooter’s” Big Event, July 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> and noted we may be able to cash in by offering Dry Camping at the Hawksbill Park. Mayor Knight noted it could create additional revenue for our businesses and restaurants in town. Mayor Knight noted this will be our Homework until next month’s meeting finding ways to promote camping at the Hawksbill.

Jason Campbell noted he wanted the Homecoming Meeting advertised in the Page News and Courier. Town Manager Pettit noted it must be advertised 3 Days prior to the meeting date and if they go this route they will need to appoint a clerk to take the minutes. After some discussion, Jason Campbell noted he doesn’t mean for all the sub-committee meetings to be advertised only the main meeting.

Mike Uram note Page County is #4 in the Virginia Unemployment Rankings. Mr. Uram noted there are jobs out there, in many different fields, and many localities are taking advantage of them through the Commonwealth of Virginia. Mike Uram noted we want and need growth in our town.

Mike Uram noted Page County High School Band is interested in the possibility of

practicing at the Ed Good Park.

Mr. Uram noted the fence on Painter Drive really needs to be replaced.

Mr. Uram noted he was asked by Alvin Good and Mr. Sours about the possibility of moving the street light on West Main Street to Old Stanley Road where it would provide lighting for their homes. Town Manager Pettit noted we do not move lights we will have to put a light on another pole.

Mike Uram noted he had mentioned this quite some time ago about putting in dog stations through the town. Mr. Uram noted they many people do not clean-up after their animals and the stations are much needed.

Mr. Uram stated it is time to begin the Community Enhancement Awards and he has chosen co-winners of Ruby Meadows and Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Miller both on Sunset Drive and he will take care of notifying them.

Mr. Uram noted the need to have a Planning Commission because there are a lot of issues that need to be discussed.

Mike Uram also remarked ~~noted~~ he feels it is necessary to look into annexation through a Friendly Boundary Line Adjustment.

Mr. Uram noted he is really concerned about the basement here in the office and we need to do something about the problem because it is not healthy for our employees or customers. There was discussion on this issue and the way best to handle it, Motion was made by Mike Uram, seconded by Duane Layman to have the Town Manager call to get an estimate for an inspection of the town office building. Passed Unanimously.

Mike Uram noted he can get free mulch from the landfill to use around the trees at the Ed Good Park. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted we could not use that type of mulch on the trees at the park because we must follow their protocol because they were obtained through a grant.

Mr. Uram noted committees are very important to him and he wonders why he was on the Finance Committee and never went to a meeting. Mr. Pettit noted on committees there are two members and one alternate and that person can only attend if one of the other members are not able to meet.

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At 10:23 pm. Motion was made by Jason Campbell, seconded by Duane Layman to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously.

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Michael Knight, Mayor

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Norma Cabbage, Clerk

