

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

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order with the following Council Members attending: Duane Layman, 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 and Penny Gray Page County Treasurer.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Knight and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Duane Layman.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any Public Comment on the tentative Agenda presented for tonight's meeting. Town Manager Pettit noted the need to add Greg Foltz to the agenda to give a presentation. Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Mike Uram to accept the Agenda as presented. Passed Unanimously.

Motion was made at 7:35 pm. by Jeremiah Knight that the Town Council Convene in a Closed Meeting, for the discussion of Personnel Matters, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 Subsection A 1 and for the discussion of Legal Matters, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 Subsection A 7, seconded by Duane Layman.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Duane Layman
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

Absent: Bruce Stoneberger

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight at 8:32 pm., seconded by Duane Layman that the Town Council leave the Closed Meeting and Return to Open Meeting Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight states Council is in Open Meeting

Motion was made by Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Duane Layman at 8:34 to adopt a Resolution to Certify the Closed Meeting; the Meeting was held for purposes allowed under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and that while in the Closed Meeting, only those matters identified in the Motion were discussed.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Duane Layman
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram
Jason Campbell

VOTING NAY:

None

Absent: Bruce Stoneberger

MOTION CARRIED:

Mayor Knight resumed the meeting at 8:36 pm. with Greg Foltz and Supervisor Mark Stroue in attendance for this meeting.

Greg Foltz was allowed to address the body at this time, he thanked the Council for allowing him this time to speak. Mr. Foltz noted he is starting a new seasonal ice cream (custard) business running from March thru October. Mr. Foltz noted this is a self-contained mobile unit but can also be run by electricity. Mr. Foltz noted most all the work done to the bus was done locally and he was pleased with the way it turned out. Mr. Foltz noted as far as he knows this will be the first Food Truck of its kind in Page County. Councilman Uram noted he was very excited about this happening in Stanley as well as Mr. Foltz noting he was interested in the possibility of starting this venture here in Stanley. Mr. Foltz inquired if there would be any way he could use a spot on the Ed Good parking lot to set his bus part of the week and move it to Luray for the other part of that week. Mr. Foltz noted if given this opportunity he will alternate weekends between the two towns. Mr. Foltz also noted he has a premium all natural custard product that he feels people will enjoy. Jeremiah Knight asked Mr. Foltz if two towns were having events the same day would Mr. Foltz plan to be the at the event in Stanley. Mr. Foltz noted he would do his best to be at our event. Mr. Uram inquired if he would attend other events in the town and Mr. Foltz noted he would do his best to work it in. Mr. Foltz noted he would need 3 Phase power to run his bus and he will gladly pay for any fees associated with this conversion. Mr. Foltz noted he was looking at a completion date of April 1st and inquired if the body would have a decision by the March meeting whether to allow him use of the Ed Good parking lot. After several other comments, Mr. Foltz thanked the Council for allowing him this time and left the meeting at 8:55 pm.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the previous month's meeting or the work session meeting as presented in writing. Council inquired on the minutes from January 11, 2017 if the total amount of the paywarrant bill questioned could also be placed in the minutes. The Clerk noted that would be no problem. Mayor Knight inquired about the January 25, 2017 work session meeting. There was no comment and Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Jeremiah Knight to approve the minutes of both meeting as presented in writing. Passed Unanimously.

The Financial Statement and accompanying note were presented. After brief discussion

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The monthly Paywarrant was then presented with the following inquiries:

Councilman Knight inquired about Bill #22 (Stanley Auto - \$2790.35) what was repaired on the trash truck. Treasurer Leon Stout noted the pressure pump went out on the trash truck. Councilman Campbell questioned why do we not buy a trash truck and pick-up our own trash. There was discussion on this issue such as: the cost of a trash truck, having to hire only 1 full time employee, if automated trash truck employee would pick-up trash 2 days and work with the public works' crew the other 3 days. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted we had picked-up trash years ago, by hand and we did make money but the cost of getting started again would be huge. Councilman Campbell noted we would hold off a while before pursuing this issue any farther.

Councilman Campbell inquired about Bill #20 (Southern Software - \$4,497.00) what was this bill. Treasurer Stout noted it was for annual support for our software program and they do a good job for the office.

Councilman Campbell inquired about Bill #21 (Sprint - \$268.63) is this for the Wi Fi Box for the Little League. Mayor Knight noted the Little League said it does not work. Treasurer Stout noted they requested Wi Fi but never came back to get it so we used it at the Hawksbill Park. Treasurer Stout noted the Little League wanted to use it for sign-ups which was for only 2 months out of the year and the rest of the year it can be used at the Hawksbill Park.

Mayor Knight noted the need for a Motion for the Paywarrant. Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Jeremiah Knight that the Paywarrant totaling \$172,758.27 be paid. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit at 9:12 pm. presented his Administrative Report noting VDOT has a problem with the contractor defaulting on prices for this project and have put everything on hold. Mr. Pettit continued noting he has no idea how long it will stay in Richmond. The question was asked how long can VDOT hold Federal Funds. Mr. Pettit noted he has no idea.

Mr. Pettit also noted the agreement has been signed with the Blue Ridge Heritage Committee to place a Chimney Monument at the Ed Good Park and we are waiting on the site plans to be drawn up for Council to review. Mayor Knight noted was the amount that is needed for this project is \$4,000.00. Town Manager Pettit noted he also thought that was the amount of the project.

Town Manager Pettit noted the company installing the new meters arrived Tuesday, February 7th and they are doing good. Mr. Pettit showed the Body one of the new meters and the

way it will work. Town Manager Pettit noted it will read down to the gallon, but we read and bill to the hundred gallons. Council briefly discussed the new meters and how it will work and save time.

Mr. Pettit noted we have gotten the skid loader and hope to have the excavator in a couple of weeks.

Town Manager Pettit noted the invitation to the groundbreaking ceremony for the new addition to the library was included in the packets. Mr. Pettit noted construction will start very soon. Mr. Pettit noted it he hopes as many Council Members that can will try to attend the ceremony at the library.

Terry Pettit also included in their packets was information on the SVEC plans on the upgrades to the power grid serving Stanley. Mr. Pettit noted there will be two public hearings at the Stanley Fire Department on this February 21st and 23rd starting at 6:00 pm. Mr. Pettit noted it will take about 3-4 months to replace the poles, the project will not begin until after the public hearings.

Mike Uram noted his unemployment report doesn't show that we could have a lower rating because a company here can't get enough workers. Mr. Uram also noted good quality people need jobs.

Town Manager Pettit noted he had included a copy of the Fire Department's Yearly report for them to review. Councilman Uram noted it was a good report.

Police Chief Ryan Dean presented his Report at 9:32 pm. noting his monthly and yearly reports that were in this month's packets. Chief Dean noted they have all their equipment except for one vest which is scheduled to be here with in the week.

Chief Dean noted Lt. Brown is almost finished revising the Standard Operating Procedure. Officer Winum has been working a full-time schedule even though he is only part time and he has been a great addition to our department.

Chief Dean also noted they went to get the Durango and he is well pleased with this vehicle.

Chief Dean noted as they could see from his yearly report that Public Service and Property Check calls were up but on a positive note arrests were down. Chief Dean also noted his Donation figure was incorrect at \$2050.00 he forgot to add Pioneer Bank's donation which makes the amount \$3050.00.

Councilman Uram noted there has been a high increase in police departments using

grants, which are very beneficial to everyone that takes advantage of them.

Chief Ryan Dean also noted Lt. Chad Brown has almost completed updating the S.O.P. Handbook which had not been done since 2007.

Councilman Campbell inquired where are we on body cameras. Chief Dean noted Commonwealth Attorney Ken Alger is not totally for or against but as soon as our SOP Policy is complete we will proceed with the cameras.

Chief Ryan Dean thanked the Council and left the meeting at 9:45 pm.

The Recreation Report was presented in writing due to Mr. Short having basketball. Mayor Knight noted he and Chuck have discussed the possibility of the Town of Stanley participating in sponsoring one or two girls to go participate in a 2-day Softball Clinic. Mayor Knight further noted there is not much opportunity for girls interested in playing sports in our town. Mayor Knight noted the cost of this clinic is \$205.00 per girl. Mayor Knight noted he feels we should participate in this venture. Councilman Uram noted he would sponsor a girl and the town could sponsor another. There was discussion for and against this venture and of how would we choose a winner or winners. The Body decided to hold an Essay Contest to determine the who will get the opportunity to attend this event. Council discussed the ages of the girls eligible to participate and there will be 2 ages groups which will be grades 3rd thru 5th in the first group and grades 6th thru 8th. Mayor Knight noted one winner will be chosen from each group and we will get the Recreation Director started on this because we do not have a lot of time. Councilman Uram inquired he would pay for one girl and the Recreation Department will pay for the other girl.

After further discussion Motion was made Jeremiah Knight, seconded by Mike Uram to proceed this venture. Mayor Knight noted the need for a Roll Call Vote:

VOTING YEA:

Duane Layman
Jeremiah Knight
Mike Uram

VOTING NAY:

Jason Campbell

ABSENT: Bruce Stoneberger

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Uram noted he has attended both Movie Night meetings and there was 5 at this meeting and 12 at the first meeting. Councilman Uram noted it was an overview of what is expected from the towns on the night of them hosting the event. Mr. Uram noted some of the things needed are as follows: Roped Off Area for the Event

Easy Access to Electricity
Need Sponsor
Booths Set-up for Food
Activities Planned before the Event
Safety
Way to Keep Track of Kids (Armbands)

Councilman Knight inquired about the meaning of NRPA that was on the Recreation Report. Treasurer Leon Stout noted it was for National Recreation and Parks Association.

Councilman Uram noted the condition of the water pipes in the cellar at the park which are not healthy nor safe. Mr. Uram noted he would like for Mr. Short to contact a plumber to get a cost to replace the old pipe with PVC. Town Manager Terry Pettit noted he would advise Mr. Short.

Town Manager Pettit noted the new generator at the wastewater treatment plant has been installed, tested and everything works fine.

Mr. Pettit noted Burner's Well Drilling is scheduled to work on Well # 2, this Thursday and will begin work on Well # 7 the first of the month.

Councilman Uram noted the need to get started on water leaks again. Town Manager Pettit noted right now we need to concentrate on getting these new water meters installed and the system up and working.

Mayor Knight stated it is time for New Business if there is any to be discussed.

Town Manager Terry Pettit noted that our Part-Time Police Officer Nick Winum is ready to go to Full-Time status if this Body agrees. Mr. Pettit noted he does a great job for our town and has a lot of knowledge in law enforcement. After a brief discussion, Motion was made by Duane Layman, seconded by Mike Uram to hire Nick Winum full-time as of February 16th, 2017, at a yearly salary of \$40,000.00. Passed Unanimously.

Town Manager Pettit noted the request from Greg Foltz to park his ice cream truck at the Ed Good Park to sell ice cream. Mr. Pettit noted we were asked the same thing years ago, and we turned him down. The Body noted the design plans for the Ed Good Park and hoping we can begin to soon start moving in that direction. Councilman Campbell noted that we may need to consider the possibility forming a Beautification Committee. Councilman Uram noted the need to look for grants to assist us in help moving forward with the Ed Good Park. Mr. Uram noted both Luray and Shenandoah have taken advantages using grants to help get things done and he feels we have not taken the same advantages.

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Councilman Uram inquired if anyone had been in the basement at the town office. Mr. Uram noted we have lots of water problems downstairs which is creating many other problems. Mr. Uram noted we need to do something about these problems.

Mayor Knight inquired if Countryside Restaurant is open under new management. Town Manager Pettit noted it was indeed under new management. Mayor Knight noted we need to talk with Gina Hilliard with the Chamber of Commerce to see if they would recognize them for the undertaking.

Motion was made by Duane Layman at 10:57 pm., seconded by Jason Campbell to adjourn this meeting. Passed Unanimously.

Michael Knight, Mayor

Norma Cabbage, Clerk