

Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
July 10, 2023 - 6:30 p.m. – 502 Front St. E, Coeburn, VA

Attendees:

Upon roll call, the following members of council were present: Carles Collins, Jeff Kiser, and Mayor Deventae Mooney. Vice Mayor Sharon Still and Joe Still were absent. Jimmy Williams - Town Manager, Cathy Sharpe - Clerk/Treasurer, and William Sturgill - Town Attorney, were also present.

Call to Order:

Mayor Deventae Mooney called the meeting to order. Reverend Marty Puckett, Mary's Chapel, gave the invocation. The group remained standing for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Mooney.

Public Expression:

There was no Public Expression.

Response to Public Expression:

There was no response to the June 26, 2023, Public Expression.

Approval of the Agenda:

Deventae Mooney made a motion to add under Old Business (A.) Back to School Block Party. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Reports:

Fire Department

Mr. Cliff Hawkins, Chief, gave the monthly activity report for June 2023. There were 45 calls, 204.5- man hours, 215 personnel responding, and 410 training hours. He reported the fire department went to a bible school event, washed Front Street and the Rally Shack area in preparation for the Fourth of July celebration.

Mr. Hawkins reported the new truck has been ordered. He said the county has been asked to pay a portion of the cost of the new truck, but he has not heard from the county at this time.

Mr. Mooney informed Chief Hawkins that he has seen lots of positive comments online about the fireworks display on the Fourth of July. He asked Mr. Hawkins to thank the members of the fire department that helped with the fireworks.

Mr. Jimmy Williams asked Mr. Hawkins if the old truck was ready to be given back to the town. Mr. Hawkins said he needs to take a speaker off the truck, and it should be ready in a few days. Mr. Williams said he would like to use the truck as a landscaping truck for public works.

Police Department

Mr. Ryan Gardner, Police Captain, gave the police department report for the month of June 2023. There were 938 total events. Mr. Gardner gave a summary of these events.

Mr. Jeff Kiser thanked the police department for assisting his wife on the Fourth of July.

Captain Gardner said the upfitting of the vehicles is supposed to start this week. He said some of the equipment hasn't been delivered yet. He advised the window tint should be installed this week. Mr. Gardner is having a local shop do the tint for \$750.00. He reported the quote from Wise Glass was nearly \$3,000.00. He said the striping will be done at Jerry's in Abingdon.

Mr. Mooney asked Captain Gardner if unit 601 and the investigations vehicle were the only ones being used by the police department now. Mr. Gardner said that unit 601 and the investigations vehicle are in use and unit 602 came back from the shop today. He reported unit 603 is being worked on and the rack and pinion needs to be replaced on unit 600. Mr. Mooney asked what is wrong with unit 603. Mr. Gardner said the water pump is out, the timing needs fixed, and the vehicle is at Morgan McClure Ford in St. Paul for repairs. Mr. Mooney asked what vehicles were being given to public works. Captain Gardner said units 600, 601 and the Suburban if council wishes to do so.

Water Plant

There was no representative from the water plant present. Mr. Jimmy Williams provided Council with a monthly water report and advised Council that Mr. Markham is working on a survey with the Health Department.

Town Manager

Mr. Jimmy Williams, Town Manager, informed Council that he has been trying to get quotes for a boom lift. He said he expects a lift to be in the neighborhood of \$50,000 to \$60,000.

Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams to schedule the CPR/AED training class before the next regular meeting.

Public Works

Mr. Jeff Livingston, Public Works Superintendent, reported that public works has cleaned Complex B, repaired a water leak on Beech Street and replaced the meter and setter. He said ditches on Valleyview Street have been cleaned and brush cut in the curve to improve visibility. Mr. Livingston also reported public works completed 150 work orders.

Mr. Mooney asked if items were being gathered for the auction. Mr. Williams said there are quite a few items ready for auction, some of those being tools, vehicles, and computers. He said the auction should begin next week.

Mr. Kiser asked Mr. Williams about the issue with the garbage. He was referring to trash being left out causing rodents, etc. Mr. Williams informed Mr. Kiser that he has only found an ordinance concerning Wisc County but is unable to find the ordinance regarding the town. Mr. Williams is contacting other towns to see the wording of their ordinances. Mr. William Sturgill said an ordinance could be done.

Lane Group

There was no representative from The Lane Group present.

Treasurer

Ms. Cathy Sharpe, Clerk/Treasurer, reported a posted cash balance of \$275,331.67 as of 6/10/2023. She reported outstanding checks in the amount of \$48,096.11, accounts payable due in the amount of \$30,607.00 and interim accounts payable in the amount of \$25,377.62. After deducting the accounts payable due and outstanding checks, the reconciled cash balance was \$196,628.56.

Ms. Sharpe presented meeting minutes for June 12, 2023, public hearing meeting, June 12, 2023, regular meeting, and June 26, 2023, special called meeting.

Ms. Sharpe reported one additional deposit since reports had been presented for the meeting. Today's deposit was \$9,900.34 making the total cash availability \$206,528.90.

Mr. Mooney asked about the status of the Invoice Cloud. Mr. Williams said it is active but waiting for Southern Software to finish integrating the information to go live.

Carles Collins made a motion to accept the total accounts payable due as presented. Deventae Mooney seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Carles Collins made a motion to accept the interim accounts payable as presented. Deventae Mooney seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to accept the June 12, 2023, public hearing meeting minutes as presented. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to accept the June 12, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Carles Collins made a motion to accept the June 26, 2023, special called meeting minutes as presented. Deventae seconded the motion, which resulted in Ayes from Mr. Mooney and Mr. Carles Collins. Mr. Jeff Kiser abstained as he was not present for that meeting.

Attorney Report

Mr. William Sturgill, Town Attorney, had nothing to report.

New Business:

There was no new business to discuss.

Old Business:

- A. Back to School Block Party – Mr. Mooney reminded Council the date of the party would be Monday, July 31, 2023. He reported Mr. David Osborne has been contacted to DJ the event for 4 hours charging \$200.00. Fun for All Inflatables has offered 3 inflatables, a bounce house and a dunk tank for \$1000.00.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to use \$1,200 from ARPA funds to pay for the Back to School Block Party. Carles Collins seconded the motion. Mr. Jeff Kiser asked where Fun For All Inflatables was located. Mr. Mooney said it was in the Tri Cities and was a better choice than the inflatable provider used last year, because last year's inflatables were in rough shape and the dunk tank was almost broken when it arrived. A vote resulted in all Ayes.

Closed Session:

Deventae Mooney made a motion to enter into closed session in accordance with Virginia Code §2.2-3711 (A1) to discuss performance of Town of Coeburn personnel and §2.2-3711(A3) to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in open meeting will affect the negotiating strategy of the governing body. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Immediately following closed session, Ms. Cathy Sharpc, read "Certification of Closed Meeting", which is attached to these minutes and made a part hereof. A roll call vote certifying that only business matters that were identified in the motion convening were discussed or considered.

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Jeff Kiser - Aye

There was no action resulting from Closed Session.

Council Comments and Concerns:

Carles Collins - Mr. Collins had no comments or concerns.

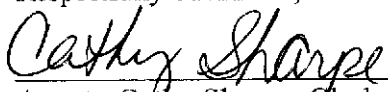
Jeff Kiser - Mr. Kiser thanked everyone for the work done to make the Fourth of July celebration a success. Mr. Kiser thinks a good time was had by all.


Deventae Mooney - Mr. Mooney had no comments or concerns.

Adjournment:

Mr. Deventae Mooney made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Mr. Carles Collins seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,


Attest: Cathy Sharpe, Clerk


Deventae Mooney, Mayor