

Minutes April 7, 2016

The Minersville Town Council held a regular council meeting on Thursday April 7, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Minersville Town Hall.

Council Present: Mayor Ward Dotson, Council members Jared Woolf, Barry Marshall and Brady Carter. Todd McMullin was excused.

Visitors: Colby Blackner, Lyle Carter, Caleb Evans, Christie Bloomquist and her 4 sons.

Mayor Ward Dotson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes: Jared Woolf made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2016 meeting without additions or corrections. Barry Marshall seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Lyle Carter would like to ask the council for a water and sewer connection at 400 E 345 S where he will be building his new home. Jared Woolf made a motion to approve a water and sewer hook up to Lyle Carter at 400 E 345 South with the agreement that the impact fees will be paid at the old rate if he pays them before the fees change. The new resolution, if approved, will be passed after the April 21st public hearing for the Impact fees. Barry Marshall seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Bill Garrett has been in contact with Mick Pryor's family members and would like to be the spokesperson for the family to see if they can work out any problems with the home and property so that they can get the water utilities turned back on and clean up the property so that it can be lived in again. Bill understands that the classification of the property that Beaver County has recorded is classified as real property and that the trailer has had a foundation put under it and the title was surrendered and should now be considered real property. Mayor Dotson explained that it was never clear to the council on what year the trailer was exactly and that Minersville Town has an ordinance that all single wide mobile homes before the year of 1977 if unoccupied must be inspected by the building inspector and deemed safe to live in. The council agreed to let Bill contact the family and have them get the building inspector to inspect the home and get in writing if he feels it is up to code and can be occupied.

Colby Blackner representing the Minersville Planning and Zoning explained that the zoning committee met last week and discussed the Impact fee analyst that was done by Sunrise Engineering. Because of the rate of inflation and the fact that Minersville Town has not changed their impact fees for 20 years. The Minersville Town planning and zoning board has recommended by unanimous vote the following. The total max recommended impact fee for wastewater per ERC should be \$4,202.90 The total max recommended impact fee for culinary water per ERC should be \$832.15 and that these amounts should be proportionately scaled throughout the impact fee schedule according to meter size, as done in the last fee schedule. They also recommend that the town should still charge impact fees for park and recreation and also streets, and recommend dropping the drainage fee.

Jared Woolf made a motion to accept the Planning and Zonings recommendation for the wastewater impact fees at a rate of \$4,202.90 and the culinary water at the rate of \$832.15. Brady Carter seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed. The council also discussed the cost of the connection fees, the connection fee will only be the actual cost of materials needed for connection which consists of the cost of meter, meter barrel, and supplies along with back hoe hourly rate and Kevin and Brandon's hourly rate for them to install the meter and make connection.

Brandon explained that he has checked on the prices of trees and that the Beaver Nursery has the best price and should be able to get all the trees that he has in the plan for the cemetery with the money that the town will be getting from the forestry grant. Brandon explained that there will have to be some matching money put up by the town, but he is pretty sure we can satisfy the match with the time that he is spending on the project and the volunteer hours from all the people that will be helping from Smithfield. Brandon is planning on getting 34 trees in the 5 gal size. The town will have to put in a watering drip system, mulch rings and posts and wire to protect them from getting eaten from deer. The Council reviewed the cemetery job and all agree to let Brandon continue taking care of the cemetery if he is still willing to do it. Brandon agreed to continue with the summer job of maintaining the cemetery grounds.

The Sr. Center is in need of a new stove. The stove has not working well and Tammy has had it serviced a few times and wonders if it is worth repairing again or just replace. Mayor Ward Dotson will check with Southwest Appliances and have them deliver a new one.

Tammy had a problem last week with a rental that did not leave the building clean and she didn't have time to clean before she had to get the meals out for the seniors. Todd McMullin went up to check it out. Cherie Wood closed the town office and went up along with Todd to help sweep and mop floors. The problem with this rental is that they were not charged a fee or a cleaning deposit because in the past they were never charged, so there was no cleaning deposit to cover the extra cleaning that needed to be done. The Council decided that Tammy is always to get a 100.00 cleaning deposit, even from the groups that are not charged. The council wants Tammy to have a list of the cleaning items that need to be checked off after each rental, so that renters know what is expected.

It is time to renew the back hoe lease from Century Equipment. Century equipment has lost the government contract to give government entities the same price as the Town paid last year. The contract was given to John Deer. The cost for this years lease will be \$4340.00 which is still cheaper than buying a new back hoe or making a payment on one. The Council would like Brandon and Kevin to check with John Deer and see what they will do.

Mayor Dotson will talk to the Beaver County Sherriff's office and see if Minersville Town can get the inmates to come and paint the swimming pool building, locker rooms and floors.

The Library is in need of a new board member because Jason Sattler is moving. Mayor asked the council to let him know if they have any suggestions of who to ask to be on the Library Board. There is only one meeting a month that they will need to attend.

There are some concerns about the motorcycles and 4 wheelers that are being driven by under age kids. Mayor Dotson read the law that is to be followed for municipalities that adopt an ordinance to designate roads for off highway vehicles operators to gain direct access to or from a town. Which Minersville has designated 100 S and 400 W for use to leave the town limits.

(A municipality or a county may adopt an ordinance requiring an operator who is under 16 years of age to be under the direct visual supervision of an adult who is at least 18 years of age while using a route designated by the municipality. A person may not operate on off-highway vehicle on any street or highway that is not designated.)

Christy Bloomquist asked why the town wants to crack down so hard on kids but not ticket other law breaker such as speeding and not wearing seatbelts or kids not in car seats.

Mayor Dotson responded that he is thinking of the kid's safety, we have already had two accidents within the last week or two with kids riding motorcycles in town and he has had many complaints of close calls. He does not want a fatality before something is done.

Caleb Evans suggested that he would be willing to put together a class to teach the kids road safety and to get certified to drive on the roads in town.

Colby Blackner had the idea of getting the community involved in watching out and talking to the kids that are riding without supervision, because Kevin cannot be everywhere at one time.

The council discussed their different options and Mayor Ward Dotson decided to let the Town Marshall, Kevin Carter use his best judgment on how to handle the kids riding around town.

Barry Marshall made a motion to pay the bills, Jared Woolf seconded the motion, all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Other Business:

Brady Carter made a motion to move into executive session to discuss possible litigation.

Jared Woolf seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Moved into executive session at 8:30 p.m.

The council went back into regular council meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Brady Carter made a motion to adjourn the council meeting, Jared Woolf seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourns at 9:07 p.m.

Cherie C. Wood