

Minutes March 4, 2019

The Minersville Town Council held a regular meeting on Monday March 4, 2019 at 5:00 pm at the Minersville Town Hall.

Council present: Mayor Caleb Evans, Kade Blackner, Kolby Blackner, Barry Marshall and Todd McMullin. Town Marshal Kevin Carter and Town Clerk Cherie Wood.

Visitors: Clint Bradshaw, Kalie Stringer, Brandon Davis and Neil Craw.

Prayer given by Kolby Blackner

Mayor Evans opened the meeting at 5:00 pm

Minutes: Kade Blackner made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 19<sup>th</sup> council meeting without additions or corrections. Barry Marshall seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Kalie Stringer has been having a problem with a neighboring dog. She has a registered female mini collie that she tries to protect from other male dogs because she only breeds it with others registered collies so that she can sell the puppies. The neighbor's dog was out and in Kalie's yard the other day while her dog was out, when she was bred. She would like to ask the council to consider changing the ordinance that now states it is the female dog owner's full responsibility to protect it when it is in heat. Kalie feels that some of the fault should be on the male dog owner. They should have to take some of the responsibility of keeping there dogs contained and also take some monetary responsibility for the expenses of having a litter of unregistered puppies.

Animal control officer Clint Bradshaw explained that he has received the formal complaint from Kalie Stringer and has been in contact with the owner of the dog in question and is trying to work on getting the dog compliant with the laws. Clint has given this owner the same notice as he gives everyone before citing him. He will need to get his dog licensed and keep him contained. Clint explained that there can be up to 4 dog at large citations given before the Judge will require the dog to be taken. The Council would like to consult with the Towns Attorney about changing the ordinance.

Brandon Davis would like to bring it to the council's attention that there was a leak at the in the pump room ceiling at the swimming pool last season that will need to be fixed before it opens this year. The council would like to see if Kevin and Brandon can fix it first and if they can't then a plumber will need to be contacted.

Brandon would also like to know if the council is planning on hiring seasonal help or full time help after Kevin Carter retires at the end of this year. They would like to see what can be worked into the budget next year.

The lifeguard applications were reviewed; there are 6 applications with 3 that have their certifications. The clerk will advertise for a couple more weeks before official hiring.



Quarterly financial review: Everything is still under budget. No real concerns at this time.

Mayor Evans gave the council updates on the after school program. There are a couple of grants that are being investigated. The program needs to be re-evaluated and decide if they need to tighten the criteria to have your kids participate in the program or have the kids do a fundraising project to help with funding.

Kade Blackner made a motion to pay the bills, Todd McMullin seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Kade Blackner made a motion to adjourn, Barry Marshall seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Cherie C. Wood



Minutes March 18, 2019

The Minersville Town Council held a regular meeting on Monday March 18, 2019 at 5:00 pm at the Minersville Town Hall.

Council present: Mayor Caleb Evans, Kade Blackner and Kolby Blackner. Barry Marshall and Todd McMullin were excused. Town Clerk Cherie Wood  
Visitors: Pete Jones, Les Whitney, Andrea Johnson, Robbie Bradshaw, Dallan Goff, Destery Balch, Brandon Davis and Shannon Terry.

Prayer was offered by Caleb Evans

Mayor Caleb Evans opened the meeting at 5:10 pm

Minutes: Kolby Blackner made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 4, 2019 council meeting without additions or corrections, Kade Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Andrea Johnson the Rec League director would like to ask the councils permission to purchase reversible jerseys for the Rec League this year that can be used for years to come, and not get t-shirts for each sport. It would also save the town money. The council thought it was a good idea. Andrea would also like to start selling concessions at the games to make money to put back into the rec league. She would like to know if she could get a bank account with her own debit card that would make it easier for her to purchase things needed for concessions. The council did not make a decision on a separate account and would like Andrea to check with Todds Market to see if he could give her a deal on candy and pop because the Town already has an account with the store. Andrea would like to try having T-ball/ machine pitch at the church ball field if she can get permission to have it there. She also asked the council if they would let her give discounts of \$5.00 off per sport if a family would sign up their kids for more than one sport at the same time. The Council told Andrea that she could give it a try and see if it worked out. She would still be doing individual sign-ups before each sport.

Les Whitney apologized for not getting back to the council on the fire house sooner. Les explained that he went to Five Counties and searched through records with Gary Zebriski and they could not come up with any records on the CDBG grant or finances that built the fire building back in 1986-87 the records have apparently been destroyed. So what he has to present to prove that the emergency fire equipment building belongs to the Fire District is only the word of mouth from the members that are still alive and can remember that the fire district put in some of their own money along with Minersville Town applying for the CDBG grant that built the fire house. The minutes from Minersville Town also say that the Town put in some of its own moneys to build the firehouse also. No where could Les find the exact amount that was actually paid for the building. Les presented the council with a letter from the County Attorney and papers (see attached) stating the property boundaries that the fire district has had surveyed and a quick claim deed asking that Minersville Town deed the property and building over to the fire district.



Mayor Caleb Evans stated that the signing over of the property and the building is not going to happen, and everything that Mayor Evans has seen states that the property and the building is Minersville Town's and the town is not willing to give it up. Mayor Evans asked Les Whitney when the fire district would have everything out of the building so that Minersville Town could occupy it, would 30 days be enough time? Mayor Evans would like to see the building put to use as a lifting/gym for the community to use. Les Whitney stated that he will contact his attorney and will be back in two weeks to advise.

Kolby Blackner stated that Minersville Town is grateful for everything that Les Whitney has done for the Town in the years past.

Robbie Bradshaw would like to comment saying that having a gym and a place for the Minersville student to lift weights would be a great benefit to the students. As of now they have to travel to Beaver early mornings before school to work out, and then have to find somewhere to shower and get ready and eat breakfast before school starts.

Destry Balch would like to make the comment of let the lawyers take it from here.

Review Swimming pool job applications: Kade Blackner made a motion to hire Trina Robinson as the swimming pool manager, Kolby Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor the motion passed.

Kade Blackner made a motion to pay Trina 10.00 per hour as the pool manager, Kolby Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Mayor Caleb Evans would like to have Trina Robinson go over the lifeguard application and have her included in hiring them at the next meeting.

#### Other Business:

Destry Balch would like some direction for the planning and zoning. The council would like the board members to meet and at least get organized with a chairman and secretary so that they can official get started on looking into updating the general plan.

Smithfield foods have contacted Cherie wanting to know about some community service that they could help with in Minersville. The Council would like to see if some improvements could be made at the library park. Taking out the hedges behind the library and improving the park so that people can enjoy using it also with picnic tables and shade, flowers and bushes.

Shannon Terry would like to ask the council if they would be alright with her promoting a community yard sale behind the library. She would like to get rid of old books and things that are not utilized at the library and would like to make it a community event. Nothing would be actually for sale just if you could use it people could just donate and take what they need. The Council would like Shannon to really monitor it and not let people just dump their junk for the town to haul off afterwards.

Kolby Blackner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kade Blackner seconded the motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 pm

Cherie C. Wood