

Minutes for the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Bryson City
February 2, 2015
Town Hall

Attending:

Board of Aldermen

Tom Sutton, Mayor
Janine Crisp
Jim Gribble
Rick Bryson

Town Affiliates

Larry Callicutt, Town Manager
Lynn Thomas, Town Clerk
Tom Shook, Public Works Supvr.
Carla Passmore, Tax Collector
Brandon Wiggins, Fire Chief
Fred Moody, Town Attorney

Public

Dotty Bryson
Ron Harless
Chris Roth
Cameron Wiggins
Tom Anema
Karen Wilmot, Chamber of
Commerce
Jeff Jenkins
David Butler, Smoky Mountain
Times

Mayor Tom Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Jim Gribble gave the invocation.

Mayor Sutton led the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 5, 2015 regular meeting. **Rick Bryson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

Jeff Jenkins appeared before the Board requesting relief for a water leak at his business on Water Street. The Board reviewed Mr. Jenkins' account. **Jim Gribble made a motion to forgive \$553.70 off the sewer portion of the account; Rick Bryson seconded the motion that carried.**

Karen Wilmot with the Chamber of Commerce presented the Board with a picture of flower pots that the Chamber would like to place on Everett and Main Streets. The Board reminded Mrs. Wilmot to make sure that the pots left 48 inches of sidewalk for wheelchair accessibility.

Ron Harless approached the Board requesting a street light on Jenkins Branch Road North at the entrance to Town Mountain Estates. School kids gather there to catch the bus in the mornings and a light would help reduce the chance of an accident. The Board will discuss this at the next workshop.

Chris Roth appeared before the Board with some suggestions regarding the placements of the Welcome to Bryson City signs. She would like the sign at the Black Hill Road entrance to be moved to the Industrial Park area on Highway 19 West. Mrs. Roth also requested that the Board look at the derelict buildings in Bryson City and see if anything can be done to get rid of them. The Board said they would review and discuss the matters.

In old business, the Franklin Grove Sewer Project, the Alcoholic Beverage Sale on Sunday Ordinance change, and the closing of Frye Street were all tabled due to further information being obtained.

The workshop for February was set for Monday, February 16, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Attorney Fred Moody presented the Attorney's Report.

Fire Chief Brandon Wiggins presented the Fire Chief's Report. He informed the Board that the Fire Department would be applying for a state grant that is a 50/50 matching grant and a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant for recruitment and retention which is a 100% grant. Chief Wiggins also asked the Board about approving a letter campaign as a fundraiser. The Board requested a copy of the letter that the Fire Department would be sending out.

Carla Passmore presented the Tax Collector's Report.

Police Chief Rick Tabor presented the Police Chief's Report.

Public Works Supervisor Tom Shook presented the Public Works Report. He asked the Board to surplus the old meters from the Meter Replacement Project. There are approximately 1,500 meters. **Jim Gribble made a motion to declare the meters as surplus; Rick Bryson seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed and discussed the Water, Wastewater, and Manager's Reports.

Rick Bryson made a motion to approve all the reports as presented; Jim Gribble seconded the motion that carried.

Being no further business, **Jim Gribble made a motion to adjourn; Rick Bryson seconded the motion that carried.**

Mayor Tom Sutton

Town Manager Larry Callicutt

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