

**Minutes for the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Bryson City**  
**February 4, 2019**  
**Town Hall**

Attending:

**Board of Aldermen**

Tom Sutton, Mayor  
Jim Gribble, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Heidi Ramsey-Woodard  
Ben King  
Janine Crisp

**Town Affiliates**

Regina Mathis, Town Manager  
Fred Moody, Town Attorney  
Carla Passmore, Tax Collector  
Lynn Thomas, Town Clerk  
Charles Bryson, Fire Chief  
Greg Jones, Police Chief  
Tom Shook, Public Works Supvr.

**Public**

Dana Bolden  
Brett Hackshaw  
Kyle Henry  
Ray McLean  
James Bud, Smoky Mtn.  
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Mayor Tom Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Jim Gribble gave the invocation.

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

No one came forward for Public Comment.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 7, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and the January 14, 2019 joint meeting with Swain County Commissioners. **Ben King made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.**

Ray McLean appeared before the Board requesting relief for a water leak at a residence on East Deep Creek Road. The Board reviewed the account. **Jim Gribble made a motion to forgive \$559.35 off the sewer portion of this account; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed an application from Ray Ruias for a water tap at 377 Fernwood Drive. **Ben King made a motion to approve the water services for this location pending fees are paid; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.**

In new business, the Board reviewed the qualifications for engineers for the wastewater treatment plant. The Board received three: McGill and Associates, Withers Ravenell, and Bell Engineering. The Board will review these qualifications further before making a decision.

The Board reviewed the bids received for a new trash truck. Two bids were presented Carolina Environmental Systems \$151,300 and Nu-Life \$139,671. **Ben King made a motion to approve the low bidder Nu-Life at a cost of \$139,671; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried. The Board instructed Town Manager to get information regarding financing and report back to the Board.**

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The Board reviewed Town Manager Regina Mathis' proposed 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget Schedule. They added April 22, 2019 as the work session for April.

The Board reviewed two policies that have to be adopted for the Governor's Crime Commission Grant. The Board tabled this until Attorney Fred Moody could review the policies.

Also, in old business, the Board tabled personnel policy updates and the Planning Board's suggestions for lighting at Everett Street crosswalks.

Town Attorney Fred Moody gave his Attorney's Report to the Board.

Fire Chief Charles Bryson gave the Fire Chief's Report. He also asked the Board for permission to apply for the yearly state fire grant. **Ben King made a motion to allow the Fire Department to apply for the state grant that will be budgeted into the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.** Also, Chief Bryson presented three big ticket items for the upcoming 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget for the Board to review.

The Board reviewed the Tax Collector's Report.

Police Chief Greg Jones gave the Police Chief's Report along with his three big ticket items for the 2019-2020 budget to be reviewed by the Board.

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

Town Manager Regina Mathis asked the Board if they wanted to have the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM) do a legal review of the Town's Ordinances before Codification. This will cost approximately \$1,500.00. **Ben King made a motion to go ahead with this legal review by the NCLM; Jim Gribble seconded the motion that carried.**

**Heid Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to approve all the reports as presented; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

Being no further business; **Jim Gribble made a motion to adjourn; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

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Mayor Tom Sutton

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Town Clerk Lynn Thomas