

Town of Haysi  
Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting  
September 6, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

On September 6, 2022, the regular meeting of the Haysi Town Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Haysi Town Hall Municipal Building located at 322 Main Street, Haysi, Virginia.

The following members were present:

PRESENT: Mayor Larry D. Yates  
Vice Mayor Rocky Wood

Council Members:  
Michael Harris  
Carter Branham  
William "Billy" Counts  
Tim Wallace  
Susan Tiller

ABSENT: None

### **ITEMS # I, II, & III**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry D. Yates at 7:00 p.m., and the Invocation was held by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **ITEM # IV - APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

At this time Mayor Yates asked for changes to the agenda as presented. Motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts seconded by Council Member Tim Wallace to approve the agenda as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

### **ITEM #V – PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **ITEM # VI – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Prior to the meeting council had received for consideration of approval a copy of the following prepared minutes:

- August 2, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood and seconded by Council Member Tim Wallace to approve the minutes of the meeting on August 2, 2022 as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

**ITEM # VII – FINANCIAL REPORT**

At this time the council was presented for approval the following:

- August 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance.
- July 30, 2022 through August 31, 2022 itemized listing of expenditures including checks # 163417-16461 & deposits
- July 30, 2022 through August 31, 2022 Profit & Loss Report
- Current payables to date for review

Motion was made by Council Member Billy Counts seconded by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood to approve the financial report. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

**ITEM # VIII - NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Yates explained that the town had a current problem at the corner of the building with a reoccurring water leak. Mayor Yates detailed several projects in the town limits that need extra equipment to be done properly and asked that the purchase of a small backhoe ranging from forty to forty-five thousand dollars be considered. Council Member Carter Branham said that the town needed it a long time ago. Mayor Yates replied that this was the best time to afford the purchase as he had been shopping and researching different brands and locations, but planned to stay within the small purchase policy amount. Council Member Tim Wallace brought up the concern of citizens looking to borrow the equipment. Mayor Yates answered that he would handle it the same as the bucket truck. Council Member Branham pointed out that other towns nearby had similar equipment and were able to do a lot of work for people in town. Council Member Branham also stated that it should last a long time if properly maintained. A general discussion was held about potential uses in town for a backhoe and the size needed. Motion was made by Council Member Carter Branham seconded by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood to approve the purchase of a small backhoe and needed attachments. Let the record show the motion on the floor was passed unanimously by verbal voting.

**ITEM # IX – OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**ITEM # X – UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Police Department Monthly Report (See Attachment)

Chief Bobby Edwards advised that there were thirty-eight calls for August and three were received after he completed the report. Chief Edwards said that none of the calls stood out and offered to take questions.

Haysi Volunteer Fire Department Monthly Report

Chief Rocky Wood reported five motor vehicle accidents, four med flights, one vehicle fire, two road hazards, and two structure fires. Mayor Yates asked about fatalities. Chief Wood answered that there were none.

**ITEM # XI - MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Yates reported the following:

- Mayor Yates reported that Haysi’s Riverfront Trail Project received one bid for total of \$2.2 million dollars across different portions of the project from Inland Construction. The project has available construction funds of around \$820,000.00, so there is a funding gap of around \$150,000.00 on the base bid. Mayor Yates asked Clerk Amanda Perrigan to disclose the information she received earlier in the day. Clerk Perrigan advised that some members of the management team had been working with the funders on the budget and the Department of Conservation and Recreation said the town could request the difference by letter for some of their non-competitive funds that hadn’t been expended by the end of their fiscal year. The next management team meeting is scheduled for tomorrow and construction on the project may look to start the first of October.

**ITEM # XII - COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Vice Mayor Rocky Wood apologized for missing the meeting last month; he had COVID.

**ITEM # XIII – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to be brought before the Council, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Billy Counts to adjourn the meeting. Let the record show the motion was passed unanimously by verbal voting and the meeting was adjourned.

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Larry D. Yates, Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk