

Town of Haysi  
Minutes of Special Called Town Council Meeting for Budget Workshop  
May 3, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

On May 3, 2016, a special called meeting of the Haysi Town Council was held in the upper story 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:  
Barry Whitt  
Michael Harris  
William "Billy" Counts  
Susan Tiller

ABSENT: Tim Wallace

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

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Yates at 7:00 p.m., and the Invocation was held by Council Member Barry Whitt and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

At this time Mayor Yates asked Council if they would like to add Heat Pump for Municipal Building and K-5 Blazer to the agenda or discuss them at a later time. A general discussion was held about the sale of the K-5 Blazer. Mayor Yates explained that the heat pump for the municipal building had quit working and the town had received quotes for replacing the unit. A general discussion was held about the heat pump's conditions and quotes received. Motion was made by Council Member Susan Tiller seconded by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood to approve the agenda with an additional item Heat Pump for Municipal Building under New Business. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

### **ITEM # V - NEW BUSINESS**

#### Heat Pump for Municipal Building

Council Member Barry Whitt and Vice Mayor Rocky Wood recommended purchasing an extended warranty on the new heat pump. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Rocky Wood seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to authorize Mayor Yates to complete the purchase of a new heat pump with extended warranty for the municipal building.

2015-2016 Budget Workshop

The purpose of the Budget Workshop is to work to balance the budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Mayor Yates started the discussion with two requests for donations. The first request was from Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation for \$1,000, which was included in the draft budget (line item 5189). The second request was from Heart of Appalachia with a couple of options. Mayor Yates explained that Heart of Appalachia has a staff of professional marketers and have avenues to advertise on platforms not otherwise accessible on the town's budget. Mayor Yates urged the town council to consider a contribution and noted that the more money donated the more work they can do for the town. Mayor Yates noted that the ribbon cutting for Haysi's Ridgeview Trail would hopefully take place at the end of summer. A general discussion was held about the groundbreaking that took place on April 27, 2016 for Haysi's Ridgeview Trails. A general discussion was held about the Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation. Mayor Yates stated that a 20% increase to Meals Tax (line item 4031) and Merchant Tax (line item 4032) had been included in the draft budget due to the ATV trail. Mayor Yates also noted that the general fund balance is around \$77,000 and the rainy day fund balance is around \$55,000. A general discussion was held about new business opportunities within the town. Mayor Yates summarized the draft of the revenues for the 2016-2017 budget. Mayor Yates continued with a summary of the draft of the expenditures for the 2016-2017 budget. A general discussion was held about ATV trail security. A general discussion was held about the Haysi Volunteer Fire Department. After further discussion about Heart of Appalachia, Mayor Yates suggested donating based on the benefits of the \$1,250 "Mountain Top Level," since it was mid-range. Mayor Yates stated that he had received the appointment from the Board of Supervisors to Dickenson County Industrial Development Authority.

**ITEM # VII – 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