

Town of Haysi  
Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting  
May 8, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.

The May 8, 2012 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 Yates  
Vice Mayor Mike Harris

Council Members: Susan Tiller, Johnnie Branham, Diana Reedy, Barry Whitt and Rocky Wood

Absent: None

### **ITEMS # I & II CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Yates. Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM # III-Invocation-Council Member Rocky Wood**

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

At this time Mayor Yates asked Council for any additions or changes to the agenda.

The following was changes were requested:

- Add Animal Control Ordinance to New Business

With no further additions or changes the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood, seconded by Council Member Barry Whitt to approve the agenda with additional changes. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

### **ITEM # VI- APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

- Current listing of payables due for May 2012
- April 2012 Financial Report listing: beginning balance, revenue, expenditures and ending balance (check-register)
- April 2012 Profit & Loss Report

After inspection of the April 2012 financial report, a motion was made by Council Member Diana Reedy and seconded by Council Member Johnnie Branham to approve the financial report as presented. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

### **NEW BUSINESS ITEM VII**

#### **DONATION-HAYSI LITTLE LEAGUE**

Jackie Edwards, President, Haysi Little League seeking donation for the league. Mr. Edwards stated the league purchased new equipment and hats for all age groups totaling \$3000.00.

Mayor Yates asked does the Little League receive any other financial assistance from any corporation.

Mr. Edwards reported very little. He said he has received approximately 4 to 5 hundred dollars.

Mayor Yates asked do the parents contribute any to the program.

Mr. Edwards replied at the beginning of the season each parent is asked to pay as follows per family:  
One player- \$20.00  
Two players- \$30.00  
Two players or more - \$30.00 plus additional \$5.00 for each additional player.

Mayor Yates stated the town has always supported the Haysi Little League Program.

Mayor Yates asked would the Little League be willing to help with trash pick-up day or the Town Wide Yard Sale held the first week-end in June.

Mr. Edwards replied, he said the league is willing to do this, and he would speak with the coaches and try to organize the event.

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Johnnie Branham and seconded by Council Member Susan Tiller to donate \$1000.00 to the Haysi Little League. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

#### **DONATION-HAYSI BOY/GIRLS TRACK TEAM**

Mayor Yates said Mike Owens had spoken with him about a donation to help attend a large track/fried event. He said the event was going to cost approximately \$3000.00, and the track team has raised all the funds except \$500.00. Mayor said Mr. Owens had indicated the team was willing to work for the money.

After a general discussion the motion was made by Council Member Rocky Wood, and seconded by Council Member Johnnie Branham to donate \$250.00 to the track team. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

#### **DONATION-DAMON VANCE**

Mayor Yates stated in each council members packet is a letter explain why Damon Vance is seeking funds. In his letter Damon Vance mentioned he had been nominated to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum on National Security in Washington D.C., and the tuition cost to attend this forum is \$1695.00. The cost includes a college credit from George Mason University, accommodations for six days, and breakfast and dinner each day.

After a general discussion the council decided for Mayor Yates to contact Damon Vance to obtain additional information and then make a decision on the donation.

Council agreed.

#### **DONATION-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Paula Sykes came before the council to seek necessary funds for the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Team to participate in the 2012 Subway Commonwealth Games in Roanoke, Virginia. Ms. Sykes mentioned the team has been actively trying to raise funds since October 2011, some of the activities the team has done to meet their goal is: Donations and bakes sale at Wal-Mart in Norton, asked for donation before a football game at Sandlick, worked concession stand during Little League Football game for a percentage of the profit, donations on drawings on Haysi Tiger

stadium seat and several 31 products. She said the parents wanted the girls to help raise as much of the funds as possible, but still have not reached their monetary goal to cover entry fee and travel expenses.

Councilman Rocky Wood asked how much money the team was trying to earn.

Ms. Sykes replied, an estimate of \$3000.00

Council Member Johnnie Branham asked how much did the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade team receive.

Mayor Yates replied, \$500.00

Mayor Yates mentioned since April 2011-April 2012, the council has only donated \$2710.00 to sport teams.

Mayor Yates asked does the school have an athletic director or an athletic department.

Ms. Sykes replied, not on the elementary level.

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Johnnie Branham and seconded by Rocky Wood to donate \$500.00 to the Haysi 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Team. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

#### **DONATION-HAYSI HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL**

Mayor Yates stated the Haysi High School Girls Softball Team is asking for a donation. He said softball coach Darrol Poston assist the town on any project he is asked. He added the town has donated funds to the softball team for years.

With no further discussion the motion was made by Council Member Diana Reedy, seconded by Council Member Rocky Wood to donate \$800.00 to the Haysi High School Girls Softball Team. Let the record show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal voting.

Mayor Yates suggested the council establish a donation policy.

#### **SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE INTERNSHIP**

Mayor Yates informed the council Lacy Yates needed to do 71 hours of internship, to round out her degree in accounting and Southwest Virginia Community College has agreed for her to do her internship with the town.

Council had no opposition.

#### **2012-2013 DRAFT BUDGET**

Mayor Yates stated there was no increase on the revenue side, but the expenditure side in most cases a 20% increase was added. Mayor Yates asked if the council wanted to hold a budget workshop or go with the present budget draft and hold a public hearing on June 5, 2012 to receive public comment on the budget and adopt in the regular council meeting.

Council Member Johnnie Branham suggested reviewing the draft this month and vote on it in the month of June.

With no further discussion the council agreed to hold a public hearing on June 5, 2012 at 6:45 P.M.

**AMENDMENT TO ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE**

The motion was made by Council Member Barry Whitt, seconded by Council Member Rocky Wood to amend the current Animal Control Ordinance 2011-01 dated February1, 2011, amending the clause which defines "Animals Running at Large." (See Ordinance Number 2012-01)

Mayor Yates called for a roll call vote:

Johnnie Branham	Yes	Mike Harris	Yes	Diana Reedy	Yes
Susan Tiller	Yes	Barry Whitt	Yes	Rocky Wood	Yes

**ITEM # VIII- OLD BUSINESS**

**POLICE REPORT**

Chief Wallace gave an oral summary of the calls for service and investigations for the month of March (Report attached) He reported in the month of April the department answered approximately 39 calls. He said it various from assisting motors to making arrest. He asked if there were any questions.

Mayor Yates asked about gas drive off on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Wallace said the person who drove off without paying for the gas was stopped in Clintwood, and the person went back and paid.

**IX. MAYORS COMMENTS**

Mayor Yates reported the following:

- Quarterly Report for Four County Transit Report the transit is continuing to do well and growing.
- Mikki Barker, Owner, Web Concepts LLC-has proposed to save the town money on the town's website maintenance. The saving will be approximately \$1500.00 on web hosting after the first year.
- Splashdam project is still moving forward.
- The town has received two request for funding for next year's budget the Spearhead trails request \$500.00, and the Heartwood has request \$1000.00

**X. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

None

**XI- PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kristy Taylor expressed her appreciation for the donation made to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball team.

**XII ADJOURN**

With no further business the motion was made by Council Member Diana Reedy, seconded by Council Member Johnnie Branham, to adjourn. Let the recorded show the motion on the floor passed unanimously by verbal vote. Meeting closed at 8:45 PM

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Larry D. Yates, Mayor

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Attest: