

**Council Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2014**

The Tazewell Town Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers.

Present:

Mayor A. D. Buchanan, Jr.
Councilmember Chris Brown
Councilmember Glenn Catron
Councilmember David Fox
Councilmember Terry Mullins
Councilmember Jack Murray

Absent:

Vice-Mayor Chris Blankenship

Staff present were Town Manager, Todd Day; Clerk, Linda S. Griffith; Attorney, Brad Pyott; Executive Assistant, Robin Brewster; Police Chief, DeWitt Cooper; Public Works Director, Donnie Pruitt; Fire Chief, Josh Roberts.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Buchanan called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance and invocation by Todd Day.

BOYS SCOUTS

Hal Keene came before with the Boys Scouts to attend Town Council for a public communications requirement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Murray, seconded Councilmember Mullins to approve the minutes of August 21, 2014. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Murray, seconded by Councilmember Brown to approve the financial statement for July 2014 and August 2014. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

PROJECT AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Mullins, seconded by Councilmember Murray to approve the project and activity reports for August 2014. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye;

Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

TRAIN DEPOT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Mullins stated a Train Depot Committee will meet on October 14, 2014 for a presentation.

CONDEMNATIONS

Attorney Pyott stated there were eight properties in the process for demolition.

After discussion, motion was made by Councilmember Murray, seconded by Councilmember Fox to proceed with the demolition of Carl Honaker property on 107 Quarry Street and Donald Rose property on 120 Meadow Street. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE BRIDGE

Manager Day updated Council on the repairs that were done at the Riverside Drive Bridge, which was required by VDOT.

911 ADDRESSING

Manager Day stated he would be meeting on 911 addressing and digital map with property zoning and negotiate with County to get addressing completed.

ENTERPRISE ZONE

Manager Day and Town Council discussed the change of the Enterprise Zones in the Town of Tazewell.

Councilmember Brown stated the empty building on Main Street should be listed on the enterprise zone.

Manager Day stated a criteria has to be met to be in an enterprise zone.

AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Motion was made by Councilmember Murray, seconded by Councilmember Mullins to approve the Authorizing Ordinance of Proposed Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and waive the reading. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

URBAN ARCHERY HUNTING ORDINANCE – 2ND READING

Motion was made by Councilmember Murray, seconded by Councilmember Brown to approve the amendment to existing Hunting Ordinance and will be effective 30 days for passage. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

IDA COMMITTEE

Manager Day asked Town Council if they had anyone that would be interested in being on the IDA Committee.

PAVING

Manager Day advised Council that paving will begin in the next two weeks by W&L Paving.

CRUISE-IN

Manager Day stated a Cruise-In will be held on September 20, 2014 on Main Street.

TACS-DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTIONS

Motion was made by Councilmember Catron, seconded by Councilmember Brown to all TACS to collect the 2013 Real Estate Taxes. On vote, Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Fox, aye; Councilmember Mullins, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye.

Attorney Pyott stated that TACS was the best effective way to collect delinquent real estate taxes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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MOTION MADE BY: Councilmember Murray
MOTION SECONDED BY: Councilmember Brown

RESOLUTION NUMBER: ES090914
MEETING DATE: September 9, 2014

VOTE: All voted aye.

PURPOSE: Legal

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Tazewell Town Council has convened an executive session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, §2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Council that such executive session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell Town Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive session to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive session were heard, discussed or considered by the Tazewell Town Council.

VOTE

AYES: Councilmember Brown, Catron Fox, Mullins, Murray

NAYS: None

(For each nay vote, the substance of the departure from the requirements of the Act should be described.)

ABSENT DURING VOTE: Vice-Mayor Blankenship

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Linda S. Griffith, Clerk of Council

RETIREMENT PARTY

Manager Day stated a retirement party will be at the VIP Room for those employees that have retired at 6:30 p.m. on September 30, 2014 and asked that everyone please attend.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before Council, meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.