

Council Minutes

May 9, 2017

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Buchanan called the public hearing to order at 7:15 p.m. The Town of Tazewell held a public hearing for the first reading of the 2017/2018 proposed budget. Mayor Buchanan read a summary of the general fund proposed budget. Mayor Buchanan read a summary of the water fund proposed budget. Mayor Buchanan read a summary of the sewer fund proposed budget. asked if anyone wished to speak for or against this issue. At this time, no one spoke for or against this reading.

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

Vice-Mayor Terry Mullins

Councilmember Chris Brown

Councilmember Jack Murray

Councilmember Glenn Catron

Councilmember Jennifer Boyd

Absent:

Councilmember David Fox

Staff present were: Staff present were: Town Attorney, Brad Pyott; Town Manager, Todd Day; Executive Assistant, Robin Brewster; Police Lieutenant, David Mills; Property Maintenance/ Zoning Administrator, Chris Hurley; David Hilton, Water Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Buchanan called the meeting to order and an invocation was given.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/REQUEST

BUDGET REQUEST FROM KITTY BARKER WITH HEART OF APPALACHIA

Mayor Buchanan introduced Kitty Barker with the Heart of Appalachian Tourism Authority. She discussed the mission of the authority and said the goal of the authority is to reach out to people and draw in more business for the area. She also discussed the local economy and what they have been doing over the last year. She discussed different marketing strategies they use, radio, newspapers, brochures, etc. She also discussed motorcycle marketing and how it has had a positive impact on the economy. They are also marketing for the spearhead trials. She then discussed the marketing plan for Tazewell. She would like the Town to donate to them and become part of their marketing strategy. Councilmember Catron made a motion to donate \$2,500.00 to the Heart of Appalachia. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Brown. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, nay; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

INDIA THOMAS REGARDING FARM TO TABLE

Not present.

JOHN REEVES PRESENTING BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Manager Day discussed the project that he asked John Reeves to do. Susan Reeves discussed the new business directory that the town is offering to help people find businesses in town. She discussed the different categories that the directory offers. She discussed how the directory works and the detail that the search will give the visitor. The directory also uses Google Maps to direct them to the businesses. Users will have to register to be able to take advantage of the business directory. She then showed a tutorial of it. Mayor Buchanan discussed how impressed he was with the directory.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Catron to approve the work session minutes of April 5, 6, and 13. Motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Mullins to approve. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

Motion was made by Councilmember Murray to approve council minutes of April 11th. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Mullins stated there needed to be a correction made that says meeting was recessed not adjourned. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins,

aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Catron and seconded by Councilmember Murray, to approve the financial statements for April 2017. Councilmember Murray questioned the police department budget. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE ON ONGOING PROJECTS

Manager Day stated he has no update for ongoing projects. However, they did discuss the recycling bin project.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Murray gave an update on the Planning Commission and stated that they discussed the boundary adjustment, home occupation permits and a drug clinic.

TRAIN DEPOT COMMITTEE

Vice Mayor Mullins discussed the depot project. Manager day stated there were some complications with the grant. Property Maintenance/ Zoning Administrator, Chris Hurley discussed the structural aspects of the depot.

MISCELLENEOUS

Attorney Pyott discussed the Lumos franchise. He discussed aspects of the franchise. Councilmember Catron made a motion to move forward with the Lumos Grant. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion. Councilmember Murray stated that he was unsure what the franchise details were. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

DONATION REQUEST FROM WILLIAM KING MUSEUM OF ART

Councilmember Brown explained what the William King Museum of Art does. He said they are quite impressive and they want to do a camp. Councilmember Brown is asking for a donation of \$600.00 to go to the museum. He stated that Brown Chiropractic will match what the Town donates. Vice Mayor Mullins made a motion to donate \$600.00 to the William King Museum of Art. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Catron as long as they see positive email correspondence. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Murray made a motion that they go into executive session to discuss Prospective Business. Councilmember Boyd seconded the motion. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

RESOLUTION

Motion made by: Murray

Resolution Number: ES050917

Motion Seconded by: Boyd

Meeting Date: 09May17

Vote: All Aye

Purpose: Prospective Business

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, 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

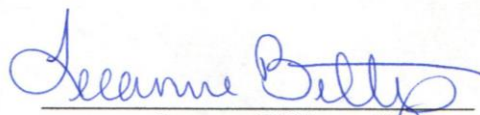
Ayes: Catron, Brown, Mullins, Murray, Boyd

Nays:

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

Absent during vote: Fox

Absent during meeting: Fox



Leeanne Billings, Clerk

Motion was made to come out of executive session by Councilmember Murray. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Catron. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

Mayor Buchanan stated the reason they went into executive session was to discuss prospective business. He then read the resolution for Certification of Executive Session. On a roll call vote to confirm, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Catron. On vote, Vice Mayor Mullins, aye; Councilmember Catron, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye; Councilmember Murray, aye; Councilmember Boyd, aye.

Mayor Buchanan adjourned the meeting at 9:16pm.