

Minutes
Spruce Pine Town Council
Monday, April 22, 2019

A meeting of the Town Council was held on April 22, 2019. Present were Mayor Darla Harding and Council Members James Acuff, Rocky Buchanan, Larry McKinney and Jackie Rensink. Staff in attendance included Richard Canipe, Darlene Butler, Kelly Johnson and Crystal Young. Others attended, including Cecil Burleson, Leland Riddle, Bill Wygand, Claire Wygand and Corey Spiers (Mitchell News-Journal).

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Darla Harding called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Rocky Buchanan gave the invocation. Jackie Rensink led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Rocky Buchanan moved to approve the agenda as presented. Jackie Rensink seconded the motion, which carried with all present in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rocky Buchanan moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 25, 2019. Larry McKinney seconded the motion, which carried with all present in favor.

Jackie Rensink moved to approve the minutes of the special meeting of April 08, 2019. Larry McKinney seconded the motion, which carried with all present in favor.

APPOINTMENTS

Leland Riddle, on behalf of the Mountaineer Shrine Club, requested a solicitation permit for May 3 at the intersection of highways 19E and 226S. Larry McKinney moved to approve the permit. Jackie Rensink seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA - none

ACTION AGENDA

Larry McKinney moved to provide water at outside rates with no annexation to Kenneth Ellis, 335 Ledger School Rd., Bakersville, NC. Jackie Rensink seconded the motion, which carried with all present in favor.

Finance Officer Crystal Young presented two property tax releases for the Council's approval. Rocky Buchanan moved to release property taxes in the amount of \$44.19 for CPI Images, who went out of business in 2013. James Acuff seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Larry McKinney moved to release property taxes in the amount of \$1880.15 for Thomas Deese, which were billed and paid in error for the years 2012-2016. James Acuff seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Said releases are incorporated by reference and attached to these minutes.

TOWN MANAGER

- ✓ Town Manager Richard Canipe noted that Finance Officer Crystal Young has done most of the work toward next year's budget. Our next budget work session will be on Monday, April 29th at 5:30 PM.
- ✓ The new bar screen was delivered to the wastewater plant today.
- ✓ The Blacksmith Festival will be held on Saturday from 10:00 to 4:00, with set up beginning at 8:00.
- ✓ Richard introduced Cecil Burleson, a Public Administration major at Appalachian State University. Richard proposed that the Council approve an internship for Cecil this summer from May 22 to August 2. The consensus of the Council was to approve the internship.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REQUESTS / COMMENTS

- ✓ Jackie Rensink proposed that we provide part-time help for Libby Phillips of Spruce Pine Main Street. Council will consider this during budget deliberations.

ADJOURNMENT

Larry McKinney moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 PM.


Darlene Butler, Town Clerk


Daria Harding, Mayor


Larry McKinney, Mayor Pro Tem


Rocky Buchanan, Council Member


James Acuff, Council Member


Jackie Rensink, Council Member