

DAYTON TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
July 13, 2009

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor L.J. Purcell, Donna H. McCormick, Donna W. Bodkin, Steven J. Dean, Lisa R. Halterman, Charles T. Long, Gregory L. Trissel and Carolyn H. Ware.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Lynn Suter, Attorney; Rick Chandler, Town Superintendent; Chief Donald Conley; O. Wade Hill, Director of Public Works; Ron Stover, Treasurer; The Shenandoah Journal reporter; Daily News-Record reporter; and many local citizens.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Purcell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed the guests. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Purcell and the invocation was led by Rick Chandler. Mayor Purcell introduced the new town attorney, Lynn Suter, of Linhart Obenshain, PC.

MINUTES: Councilperson Long moved to approve the minutes of June 1, 2009 Called Council meeting, June 8, 2009 regular Council meeting, and the June 30, 2009 Called Council meeting, with one correction noted by Rick Chandler on the June 8th minutes. Motion was seconded by Councilperson Trissel, and passed unanimously by Council. Those in favor: Purcell, McCormick, Bodkin, Dean, Halterman, Long, Trissel and Ware. Those opposed: none. Abstentions: none.

MOVED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 1, 2009 CALLED COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 8, 2009 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, AND THE JUNE 30, 2009 CALLED COUNCIL MEETING.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Mark Martin, Chairman
No report.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Conley
Chief Conley read the police report. Chief Conley asked for volunteers to assist as role players during their active shooter training to be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 24-26, 12:15-3:30 P.M. Fifteen volunteers are needed each day.

STAFF REPORT: Rick Chandler
Mr. Chandler reviewed the Staff Report (report attached).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sewer Authority: Rick Chandler

The plant is operating well, and all permits were met during the month of June. The average flow for June was 12.9 MGD, and the year-to-date average flow is 10.03 MGD.

Finance: Donna McCormick

- Committee met with town auditors, Young, Nicholas, Branner and Phillips, LLP, regarding the upcoming audit, which is scheduled to begin on August 23rd.

Community Development: Charles Long

- Announced that the Dayton Fun Day will be held on Saturday, September 12th, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Also, there will be committee meetings to plan for the Christmas Parade, which is scheduled for Saturday, December 5th.

Personnel: Carolyn Ware

- Committee plans to meet within the next few weeks.

Facilities: Steve Dean

- Route 257 sewer extension is nearly complete. Final stages include milling and overlaying of asphalt at the site on Rt. 257, between Westview St. and Sunset Dr. Mailboxes will be permanently installed in the original location and landscaped.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion by Councilperson Dean was seconded by Councilperson Long to authorize Rick Chandler to appoint a Dayton representative to serve on the HRRSA's selection board to interview and appoint a new executive director. Curtis Poe will be retiring from this position on December 1, 2009. Those in favor: Purcell, McCormick, Bodkin, Dean, Halterman, Long, Trissel and Ware. Those opposed: none. Abstentions: none.

MOVED, TO AUTHORIZE RICK CHANDLER TO APPOINT A DAYTON REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON HRRSA'S SELECTION BOARD TO INTERVIEW AND SELECT A NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

Mayor Purcell announced that the next regular Council meeting has been changed to Monday, August 3rd, due to several conflicts. Mayor Purcell also announced that workshops will be held prior to each regular council meeting for several months. Next workshop is scheduled for Monday, July 27th, at 7:00 p.m.

OPEN FORUM:

Several citizens expressed concerns and comments regarding the following issues:

- Traffic concerns on College St.
- Town check signing policy
- Annexation
- Attracting new town businesses
- Grant status after elimination of police officer position

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilperson Ware thanked Cheryl Lyons, owner of Silver Lake Mill, for providing information about the rock wall on Eberly Rd.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion by Councilperson McCormick to approve the bills was seconded by Councilperson Bodkin and passed unanimously by Council. Those in favor: Purcell, McCormick, Bodkin, Dean, Halterman, Long, Trissel and Ware. Those opposed: none. Abstentions: none.

**MOVED, THAT THE BILLS TOTALING \$297,059.43
BE APPROVED.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn by Councilperson Dean was seconded by Councilperson McCormick and passed by Council. Those in favor: Purcell, McCormick, Bodkin, Dean, Halterman, Long, Trissel and Ware. Those opposed: none. Abstentions: none.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

L.J. Purcell, Mayor

O. Wade Hill, Interim Recorder

STAFF REPORT
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PROJECTS/INFRASTRUCTURE:

- 1) Route 257 sewer line project – Driveway repairs are complete as well as the yard restoration. Several customers are now using the new sewer main. The only item left is the road restoration for Rt. 257. The contractor should be here Tuesday.
- 2) HRRSA Project – Director Poe presented a slide show of the construction activity. He indicated the contractor has been paid approximately sixty-three million of the eighty-million dollar contract. To date, approximately twenty-nine thousand cubic yards of concrete have been completed with about one thousand yards remaining. Currently they are concentrating on installation of grit chambers, storage tank of carbon source, new blowers in the blower-control building, and the new lab/administration building which should be completed for the October board meeting.
- 3) Clear-Well Tank Restoration – Although we have completed painting the small mixing-tank and part of the roof on the 2.5 MG tank, the project is on hold until the public works crew gets caught up with some other maintenance items. We hope to start back next week and report the project completion at the next regular meetings.

PLANNING/OTHER:

- 1) Tea-21 Project – I am very pleased to report that we have received confirmation that our Enhancement Program funds were approved in the amount of \$158,000.00. This brings our grand total to \$333,267.00. Additionally, on Wednesday we received the pre-audit evaluation from VDOT concerning the engineering agreement. For the most part the evaluation was acceptable. However, the review committee made some recommendations for change, per their standards. We have forwarded a copy to Anderson & Associates for corrections.
- 2) HRRSA Report – June average flow was 12.9 MGD, and the year-to-date is 10.03 MGD. All permit requirements were met. Also, at last week's meeting, Mr. Poe, the Executive Director, informed the board that he would be retiring December 1, 2009. The HRRSA Board has called a special meeting for Monday, July 13th, to discuss options and a plan of action. Mr. Poe has served as Executive Director of the Authority for twenty-three years.

- 3) Town Recorder – An advertisement for the recorder position will run in the DNR next week (should be in Tuesday). We are asking that any letters of interest be forwarded to the town by July 22nd. I will keep you posted.