

# **DAYTON TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**

**May 12, 2014**

## **Joint Public Hearing** With Planning Commission

Mayor Long called the Town Public Hearing to order at 6:32 pm and PC Chairperson Jerry Critcher called the PC Public Hearing to order at 6:32 pm. Mayor Long stated that the Joint Public Hearing was for the request of a Special Use Permit submitted by Rhodenizer Costruction Company. Mayor Long read the letter from Rhodenizer the opened it up for public comment. A resident asked for the location of the property which is 3028 John Wayland Highway. After briefly discussing that the property would be used for office use only a motion by Gary Bowman for Council to approve the Permit was seconded by Becky Eberly and passed unanimously by the Planning Commission. (Those in favor: Critcher, Bowman, Eberly, absent: Lehman)

With no further comments, Mayor Long closed the Town Public Hearing and Chairperson Critcher closed the PC Public Hearing at 6:38 pm.

## **Public Hearing**

Mayor Long opened the Town Public Hearing at 6:38 pm. Mayor Long stated that the Public Hearing was for the 2013-2014 Budget Amendment. A synopsis of the changes was available for review. A question was asked about the Law Enforcement increase. Chief Conley explained that \$27,000 of this was grants for vehicles. Justin Moyer stated that the \$27,000 increase in Community Relations covered Dayton Muddler, Redbud Festival, and Dayton Fun Day. It does not include employee salaries for working these events.

With no further comments, Mayor Long closed this portion of the Public Hearing at 6:42 pm.

Mayor Long opened the Town Public Hearing at 6:42 pm. Mayor Long stated that the Public Hearing was for the 2014-2015 Budget and turned it over to Treasurer, Justin Moyer. Mr. Moyer briefed that there are no increases or decreases in taxes, looking at taking \$204,000 from reserves, \$15,000 for Economic Development, \$10,000 for Downtown Grants. Mayor Long then opened up for public comment. There was a lot of conversation on Downtown problems by Business Owners. Flooding, cracks in sidewalks, overgrown flowers and shrubs. Council member Jeff Daly explained about the grants that would be available to match business owners investments in property. Justin Moyer stated that \$30,000 has been spent already on signs and brochures to draw visitors to the Downtown area.

With no further comments, Mayor Long closed the Public Hearing at 7:24 pm.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Charles Long, Council members Steve Dean, Laura Daily, Josh Lyons, Jeff Daly and Kehris Snead.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shelley Newman

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jason Ham, Attorney; Chief Conley; Justin Moyers, Treasurer; John Crim; DN-R, local citizens and students.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Long called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m. and welcomed the guests. The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by Mayor Long.

**MINUTES:** Mayor Long asked for comments pertaining to minutes of the council meeting dated April 14, 2014. Attorney Jason Ham noted a mistake on page 4. It should be VRS not URS. A motion by Councilperson Daly to approve minutes with correction was seconded by Councilperson Daily and passed by Council. (those in favor; Dean, Daily, Long, Lyons, Daly, Snead)

**MOVED, THAT MINUTES OF THE APRIL 14, 2014  
COUNCIL MEETING BE APPROVED AS CORRECTED.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Justin Moyers  
Financial statement does not reflect amendment until it is approved.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Gerald Lehman  
Jerry Critcher stated that the Planning Commission discussed golf cart use and are waiting on survey results. Also discussed good and bad points of the Redbud Festival. Mr. Critcher also announced that Gerald Lehman gave his resignation as PC Chair effective at the end of his term, June 30, 2014.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Conley  
Chief Conley gave the report for the month of April. Spring firearms training is complete, Mill Street Operation Care project is complete. Councilperson Daly asked the Chief to give a brief explanation of what Operation Care is. Chief Conley stated that it is a big success. Other Towns want to know how to start the program.

**STAFF REPORT:** John Crim

John Crim gave the Staff Report. Copy appended to minutes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Sewer Authority:** John Crim

All permits are met.

**Finance Committee:** Josh Lyons

Met April 22nd to put final touches to 2014-2015 budget and work on amendments to the 2013-2014 budget.

**Personnel Committee:** Steve Dean

Would like to hold a workshop before the next Council meeting to prepare for the hiring of a new chief.

**Economic Development Committee:** Jerry Critcher

Will be scheduling a meeting soon.

**Community Relations Committee:** Laura Daily

The Town Easter Egg Hunt went well.

**Parks Committee:** Kehris Snead & Shelley Newman

Kehris stated that a meeting was held on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The entire summer is planned out with movies and live music events. Check the newsletter for upcoming events.

**Annexation Committee:** Jeff Daly

No report at this time. Will meet on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Dayton Muddler:** Charles Long

Dayton Muddler will be held August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Will be meeting soon.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

\*Special Use Permit – A motion by Councilperson Snead giving Attorney Jason Ham approval to write the Special Use Permit for Rhodenizer Construction with restrictions as discussed by Council and Planning Commission was seconded by Councilperson Daly and passed by roll call vote. (those in favor; Dean, Daily, Long, Lyons, Daly, Snead)

**MOVED, TO APPROVE SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
AS WRITTEN WITH RESTRICTIONS.**

\*Amend 2013-2014 Budget – Justin Moyers noted that it could not be voted on for one week. There was no further comment.

\*2014-2015 Budget – No comment.

\*VRS Resolution – Justin Moyers briefed on the VRS Resolution. A motion by Councilperson Daly to adopt the resolution as presented was seconded by Councilperson Snead and passed by roll-call vote. Certificate of roll-call appended to minutes.

**MOVED, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR VRS  
CONTRIBUTION RATES.**

**OPEN FORUM:**

There were comments from several residents and business owners on maintenance of the Town, cleaning up Silver Lake, plans for the old house that was purchased, ordinances for grass length, Patient Advocacy Board with Sentara, getting to know business owners and the hiring of a new Chief.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Long read thank you notes from the Easter Bunny and the Cloverhill Rescue Squad.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

A motion by Councilperson Dean to approve bills totaling \$253,742.14 was seconded by Councilperson Daily and passed by Council by roll call vote: (those in favor; Dean, Daily, Long, Lyons, Daly, Snead).

**MOVED, THAT BILLS TOTALING \$253,742.14 BE APPROVED.**

A motion by Councilperson Dean to recess into closed session concerning the matter of Silver Lake was seconded by Councilperson Snead and passed unanimously.

**MOVED, TO RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION UNDER THE STATE CODE.**

Recessed to closed session at 8:40 pm.

Back in regular session at 8:55 pm.

A motion by Councilperson Snead that the session was held in conformity to the State Code was seconded by Councilperson Daly and passed unanimously. (Resolutions appended to minutes)

There being no further business to come before Council, a motion to adjourn by Councilperson Dean was seconded by Councilperson Lyons and passed unanimously by Council.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charles T. Long, Mayor

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Jeanette Thompson, Recorder