

Pearisburg Town Council met in Regular Session on January 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Pearisburg Municipal Building Council Chambers. Present for the meeting was Mayor Robert L. Dickerson; Vice-Mayor Munsey; Council Member Williams, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton; Town Manager Vittum; Town Engineer Tawney; Chief Martin; Building Official Wilson; and Town Clerk Harless. Also present was Dianne Dinger, consultant; and Jeff Dinger, Giles County representative for Focus Project.

Mayor Dickerson announced the winners of the Christmas Tree Decorating Contest as follows: First Place - Holiday Motor Lodge; Second Place - Pearisburg Volunteer Fire Department; and Third Place - Papa's Pizzeria. He also announced the winners of the Home Christmas Lights Contest in Town as follows: First Place - Larry and Joyce Marion; Second Place - Kent and Demitria Martin; and Third Place - Stella Kast.

Munsey made a motion to approve and accept the minutes from the December 8, 2016 Town Council Meeting. Harrell seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Dianne Dinger addressed Council and updated them on the Farmers Market and Planning Project. The holiday market did well with 18 children participating in the ginger bread house craft. A Christmas Ham Dinner was held. Dinger would like to look at the upcoming budget with Journell and Clark. She has started planning the calendar for 2016. She went over the upcoming Food and Wine Classes as well as the Beer Class. She has been talking to a local grower about having an event in April. In May we will be having a market focusing on the AT Hikers. She has contacted the County about providing shuttle service for the hikers to Damascus. The Giles Arts Council will subsidize the music entertainment for the event. She will be contacting local businesses about participating in the hiker event. She will be asking the restaurant businesses if they would like to offer a special during hiker week. Dinger has spoken to Clark about doing research on other towns as far as Ashland on how they do their new business packets. She reported that on the Carilion Hospital Grant the EBT did not have a successful year. The people are not coming and taking advantage of the double snap tokens. She has talked to Carilion and wants to approach Orchard Grove residential area and do something on a small scale to assist the residents. The market would work with Carilion on

bringing fresh food and some free cooking classes and chefs demo. This would also be in conjunction with the County's Project Focus.

Jeff Dinger Giles County Coordinator for Project Focus addressed Council. He stated that Focus is looking at communities and how to assist them in utilizing available services. He stated that over time the County has implemented a number of successful programs. They look at the areas with at-risk factors and causes. He stated that six years ago we started a report center. The Commonwealth attorney and judge approved of a program allowing citizens to participate in a consistent drug and alcohol support program. The Summer Youth Work Program was started four years ago and has been very successful. He stated that from the ages of 16-19 during critical high school years' students are more likely to be involved in the program. They are encouraged to attend school and work in real job settings and with hope that it will motivate them to stay away from drugs and alcohol. There is ACCE (Access to Community College Education) Program that helps pay for the student to attend a community college. The student must maintain a good GPA and perform 80 hours of community service to the County. This will help them gain valuable skills to get a good job and steer away from drugs and alcohol. Dinger stated that the County works with Department of Social Services (DSS) on a program that assists their clients that are physically capable of working and are required to work to continue receiving benefits. The client does a skills assessment then they are placed in a job position as a volunteer to help them gain skills to find a good job.

Dinger stated that Focus programs are working jointly with DSS, Giles County, Towns and Police Departments. He stated that Charlie Mullins has been looking at indicators such as addresses, circuit and district court records, 911 calls and truancy issues. He has done a GIS overlay of the areas with the greatest need. What they have observed is what they expected to find. In the areas of need 1% of physical addresses use 25% of all county services. They choose a community to focus on and begin helping. Beginning January 30th the Focus Program will talk to the residents of Orchard Grove homes in Pearisburg. Dinger will do a community meeting to learn what the residents perceive are their needs and this will help design how to network the providers to maximize their benefit. He stated that the goal is to maximize the number of services and adults that can help and begin working with residents to meet the goal. Dinger explained that at risk youth will be assigned a mentor. The goal for youth is to educate them on

preventing early pregnancy, encourage them to graduate high school and not become involved in the legal system. Eaton stated that she hopes there is a desire and a willingness for the participants to want to be involved. Mayor Dickerson thanked Dinger for explaining Focus Project.

Harrell reported on the Public Safety Committee. The Police and Fire Department Annual reports were approved. She stated that all officers of the Fire Department will be on the ballot for election next week. She reported that Chief Martin had explained a scam involving calls about jury duty.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council approve the donation of the vehicle taken out of service at the Fire Department to the New River Regional Police Academy to replace a vehicle that was wrecked recently. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Munsey reported on the Property and Recreation Committee Report. He updated Council on the gym floor covering that was purchased and stated that it had been used twice. He stated that Wilson is scheduling a date for the new floor covering in the cafeteria at the Community Center. He reported that Public Works had been cleaning up fallen trees along the trails at Pearis Cemetery and Whitt-Riverbend Park. There were no recommendations. Munsey stated that Director Martin had done an outstanding job and she is always open for new suggestions. Eaton asked what type of floor covering for the bathrooms and cafeteria was going down. Wilson stated it would be a vinyl composite tile for both areas.

Eaton reported on the Finance Committee. She reported that since collection efforts started on delinquent personal property taxes staff efforts have resulted in over \$16,161 in revenue. The Committee discussed the renewal policy for Guardian Disability. She reported that \$350 in revenue was received for the lease on the ballfield concession stand.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council approve payment of base taxes owed on the Floyd Meadows Estate and waive penalty and interest, if paid within thirty (30) days. Penalty and interest will need to be paid if that time expires prior to payment. Voting yes:

Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council approve a three (3) year renewal with Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates for the Town Audit. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Committee made a recommendation that Council approve the Audit Report for the year ending June 30, 2015. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Committee recommends that Council approve a sub-grant in the amount of \$506.00 to the Giles Arts Council for the 2015 Children's Art at the Market Program. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

The Committee recommends that Council approve the following amended plan for subsidy to Shelton Place for eighteen (18) months as an incentive for Dahlia's Delights to occupy the space. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The recommendation carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

SHELTON PLACE SUBSIDY

Revised 04/05/2016

MONTH	Town	Gillespie
Jan	2016 \$1,250.00	\$0.00 Vacant
Feb	2016 \$1,250.00	\$0.00 Start
Mar	2016 \$1,250.00	\$0.00
April	2016 \$1,250.00	\$0.00
May	2016 \$1,000.00	\$250.00
June	2016 \$1,000.00	\$250.00
Subtotal	\$7,000.00	\$500.00
July	2016 \$750.00	\$500.00
Aug	2016 \$750.00	\$500.00
Sept	2016 \$750.00	\$500.00
October	2016 \$750.00	\$500.00
November	2016 \$500.00	\$750.00
December	2016 \$500.00	\$750.00
January	2016 \$500.00	\$750.00
February	2017 \$500.00	\$750.00
March	2017 \$500.00	\$750.00
April	2017 \$500.00	\$750.00
may	2017 \$500.00	\$750.00
June	2017 \$500.00	\$750.00
Subtotal	\$7,000.00	\$8,000.00
July	2017 \$300.00	\$950.00
August	2017 \$0.00	\$1,250.00 End
Subtotal	\$300.00	\$2,200.00
For 18 months	\$14,300.00	\$10,700.00

Munsey reported on the Public Works Committee. He reported that public works will be placing a valve on a 10" main running from Crile Lane to Hale Street. This will allow the town to separate Sunny Side from King Heights therefore making leak detection easier for these two areas. He stated that the sewer plant was experiencing a high vibration with a piece of equipment called the centrifuge. The cost to repair the problem is estimated between \$15,000 to \$25,000. Staff is looking at repairing and not replacing at this time due to the funds not being available in the current budget. If the centrifuge has to be replaced staff will ask Council to use the money earmarked for a new RBC gearbox that can wait until next budget year if needed. Eaton asked Tawney is there was anything AEP could do to help with street lighting for Ms. Shrewsbury. Tawney stated that she had contacted AEP and he was not sure. He stated that the Town has sufficient lighting in that area as per town policy. Harrell stated that she had some citizens complain about the lighting and some dark areas on Henson Avenue and Wenonah Avenue near the Community Center. Tawney will look into the areas. There were no recommendations.

Munsey briefly updated Council on the PSA. He stated that Ann Wheeler had been appointed as the alternate for Butch Mullins on the PSA.

Vittum presented Council with the Budget Schedule for Fiscal Year 2017. He stated that Department Heads have their inventory and will be working on them.

Williams made a motion that Council re-appoint Munsey as Vice-Mayor. Eaton seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Williams made a motion that Council re-appoint the following: Town Manager/Treasurer – Kenneth F. Vittum, Police Chief – Jackie C. Martin, Town Clerk – Regina H. Harless and Town Attorney – James A. Hartley for a two-year term ending January 2018. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Mayor Dickerson stated that he will be making changes to the Committees later.

Vittum stated that the Finance Committee had discussed the Giles Health and Family Center (GHFC) property tax relief. He stated that he sits on the board of GHFC and would

answer any questions of Council. Eaton stated that they are requesting a one-year waiver on real estate and personal property tax. She stated that the daycare has a recovery plan. She wanted to know if this was just for them or would it open things up for all 501 c 3's. Mayor Dickerson suggested there might be another route we can go to assist them. He suggested giving them a business grant after consulting with Hartley. Eaton stated that there were guidelines for criteria to be eligible for the Grant. She felt we needed to ask Hartley if this would be an issue. She asked what the County was doing on their tax waiver request and wanted to know if they were having a public hearing. Harrell made a motion that Council table any decision at this time. Munsey seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Vittum briefed Council on the VDOT Deed to Convey Right-Of-Way (ROW) on Henson Avenue Project that was done by VDOT several years back. He stated that the Town maintains the street so all of the ROW required by VDOT during the project would be turned over to the Town. Hartley has recommended Council approve the deed.

Williams made a motion that Council authorize the Town Manager to sign the VDOT Deed to Convey Right-Of-Way (ROW) on Henson Avenue Project and return to VDOT. Clark seconded the motion. Voting yes: Mayor Dickerson; Council Members Williams, Munsey, Journell, Harrell, Clark and Eaton. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

Tax Map Parcel Number not assigned

PREPARED BY VDOT
UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Exempted from Grantor and Grantee taxes under
Sections 58.1-811(C)(4) and 58.1-811(A)(3)

THIS QUITCLAIM DEED, made this 24th day of March, 2015, between the
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, acting by and through the Commissioner of
Highways, ("GRANTOR") and the TOWN OF PEARISBURG, a Virginia Municipal
Corporation, ("GRANTEE.")

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, this conveyance is authorized in accordance with the provisions of
Section 33.2-1001 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, in accordance with the
request of the Grantee contained in a letter received on the 25th day of February, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00),
and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the
GRANTOR does hereby release, remise and quitclaim unto the GRANTEE all of its
right, title, and interest in and to the hereinafter described lots or parcels of land, , all of
which lie in the Town of Pearisburg, Virginia:

Being as shown on the plans for Route U000 (Henson Avenue), State
Highway Project U000-279-102, R201, and being all the lands and
permanent easements lying on both sides of the centerline of Henson
Avenue, and between the left and right limits of the existing and proposed
right of way lines including connections to various streets, being all the
lands or property interests acquired by the Grantor for public street
purposes from various parties as shown on the Right of Way and Utilities

After recordation return to Grantee's Address:

Division Conveyance Report dated March 24, 2015, attached hereto, to be recorded herewith and made a part of this conveyance.

LESS AND EXCEPT that portion of Parcel 025 shown on Sheet 6 lying on the right side of Henson Avenue between the Existing Right of Way line and the Existing Acquisition Line.

All or a portion of the said property may be located within the 100 year flood plain as may be determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and may be restricted as to use by zoning ordinances and regulations of the jurisdictions wherein the land lies.

It is covenanted between the parties hereto, their successors or assigns, that any limited access rights acquired in accordance with Section 33.2-401 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and right of way and/or easements acquired in accordance with Section 33.2-1014 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, associated with the lands herein conveyed by this deed are reserved unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation.

The Grantee by joining in this deed through signature of its authorized representatives, accepts, as is, the interest in the real estate conveyed by this deed pursuant to Section 15.2-1803 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Commonwealth of Virginia, Commissioner of Highways, has caused this deed to be executed in its name as of the day, month, and year first above written.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
Commissioner of Highways

BY Lori A. Snider (SEAL)
Lori A. Snider
State Right of Way and Utilities Director
Department of Transportation

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

City of Richmond, to-wit:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 28th day of DECEMBER, 2015, by Lori A. Snider, State Right of Way and Utilities Director, Department of Transportation, who has been authorized to execute same by the Commissioner of Highways.

Neil M. Hord
Notary Public

Affix Stamp for Notary ID and Commission Expiration Date:



TOWN OF PEARISBURG
A Municipal Corporation

BY _____ (SEAL)

ITS: _____

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Town of _____, to-wit:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of

_____, 20 ____ by _____,

the _____ of the Town of

_____, a Virginia Municipal Corporation.

Notary Public

Affix Stamp of Commission Expiration and Notary ID Number:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND FORM:

Town Attorney

Date

Vittum updated Council on Virginia's First Amended and Restated Commerce Park Agreement. This makes significant modifications from Past Agreements. He stated that Council had earlier approved the existing agreements but needs to review the newly proposed amendments. He stated that Danny Wilson, Executive Director for the authority, can come and talk to Council about the facility and answer any questions. He can better explain agreement and answer questions on behalf of Virginia's First Authority and Participation Committees. He stated that all members of the authority are now members of the participation committee. The agreement would merge the two organizations. The same members are meeting twice to do the same thing. Munsey stated that he feels like we are giving and not getting anything back. He stated that the Town has been giving money for years and not seen any return. Munsey stated that he has never seen anything benefit the Town. Vittum stated that he has not spoken to Hartley yet about the process to get out of the authority. It will be more difficult to get out after the amendment is approved. He suggested Council decide on a few dates and he will ask Danny Wilson, Director and the Attorney Teresa Fontaine to come and meet with Council. Journell felt that Hartley should be present for the meeting. Vittum stated that the Town would incur some cost to get out of the authority. Council decided to have a special meeting on January 20th or 27th at 7:00 p.m. to discuss Virginia's First and asked Vittum to contact Danny Wilson.

Vittum stated that he did not have anything new to discuss on the water loss at this time. He asked Council if they had any questions for him.

Clark stated that Dollar Tree would be opening January 14th and will be having specials during the weekend. She also stated that Matthews Jewelers was having their open house on January 19th at 5:30 p.m.

On a motion by Williams, seconded by Munsey, passed by the following recorded vote, Mayor Dickerson, yes; Council Members Williams, yes; Eaton, yes; Munsey, yes; Harrell, yes; Journell, yes; Clark, yes; Council went into Executive Session as permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A) (7), for consultation with legal counsel, and the briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the Town; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by the Town regarding specific legal

matters requiring the provision of the legal advice by such counsel; re: 7-Day Market and PSA Contract.

On a motion by Williams, seconded by Munsey, passed by the following recorded vote, Mayor Dickerson, yes; Council Members Williams, yes; Eaton, yes; Munsey, yes; Harrell, yes; Journell, yes; Clark, yes; Council returned to regular session.

On a motion by Harrell, seconded by Clark, and passed by the following recorded vote, Mayor Dickerson, yes; Council Members Williams, yes; Eaton, yes; Munsey, yes; Harrell, yes; Journell, yes; Clark, yes; Council certified that the subject discussed in this Executive Session was the subject identified in the motion to go into Executive Session and only that subject, and that Council discussed no other subject while in Executive Session.

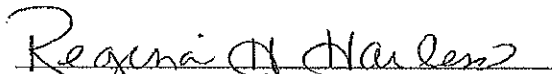
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Mayor Robert L. Dickerson

APPROVED:



Regina H. Harless, Town Clerk

