

**Fayetteville Town Council met in Regular Session on July 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.**

**Present were Mayor Sharon Cruikshank, Recorder Zenda Vance, Council Members Stanley Boyd, Okey Skidmore, Brian Good, Lori Tabit, and Gabe Peña. Also present were Town Attorney Carl Harris, Treasurer Kathy Williams, and Town Manager Matt Diederich.**

**Prayer was offered by Stanley Boyd.**

**Mayor Sharon Cruikshank called the meeting to order.**

**The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sharon Cruikshank.**

### **Previous Minutes & Financial Report**

**Reading and action on Minutes from June 6, 2024. Brian Good moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Review and approval of financial report. Zenda Vance moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

### **General Comments and Reminders**

**The Community has lost a good attorney and citizen this past week with the loss of Christopher Moorehead. Remember his family in your prayers.**

**Community Clean up on second Saturday of each month**

**Second Avenue Walk Bridge Updates. Matt said he has submitted a grant for a Pedestrian bridge and submitted a letter from Kate Washington and the community for support.**

### **Council/Board Comments:**

**Zenda Vance said looking forward to a good Heritage Festival and wonderful firework show.**

**Stanley Boyd urged people to be careful on Route 19 lots of traffic. Good to see the splash pad being used so much and thanked Okey and Brian and their committee for making it happen.**

**Brian Good said everyone is working hard for the festival. New press box at the park and everyone has worked hard to get it done. He appreciated Matt and all his work out at the park. Eric is doing a great job of watering the grass is being done to keep it from turning brown with no rain. Lots of people coming to Town for the Little League Championship games.**

**Okey Skidmore said turning right at the light is getting dangerous. People aren't waiting for the vehicle is front of them to turn and they are going on the right of them and turning. He wanted to know if we could put up some type of safety poles to keep someone from getting involved in an accident. Carl stated other than the stripping, that was about it as far as safety from the town side.**

**Lori Tabit said everyone will be coming out on the 4<sup>th</sup> and a lot of people will be using the splash pad.**

**Gabe Peña was traveling and at this time did not have any comments.**

### **Department Reports**

**Fire Department: See attachment**

**Police Department: See attachment**

**Town Manager: See attachment**

**Visitor's Agenda: N/A**

## **Unfinished Business**

**Budget Revisions – General Fund. Lori Tabit moved to approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Coal Severance. Brian Good moved to approve and Zenda Vance seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Ratify of June 26 6-0 vote for Resolution of Support for WVDOH Transportation Alternative Grant Application for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Bridge Project. Okey had questions because some people who live in the area want a bridge not a walking bridge. Stanley Boyd moved to approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Brian good, Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Okey Skidmore changed mind redirecting his vote against, making it to 5-1.**

**Ratify of June 26 6-0 vote for Resolution of Support of WVDOH Transportation Alternative Grant Application for the sidewalk project. Lori Tabit moved to approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

## **New Business**

**Discuss and act on first reading for general speed limits in town for Streets vs Avenues. Carl said he has not received the list from Matt. The Town will have to go by state code, can reduce but can't raise. No action taken.**

**Discuss and act on an Ordinance Authorizing the Creation of the Town of Fayetteville Redevelopment District No 1, and Project Plan No. 1, for the Purpose of Redevelopment of Certain Property in Downtown Fayetteville as Described in the Application for Downtown Redevelopment District No. 1 Approved by the West Virginia Department of Economic Development. This will be the 1<sup>st</sup> reading than a Public Hearing will be August 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30. Lori Tabit moved to**

**approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on photography/video proposal for Town Park with Iron Arch – Jay Young \$440. Brian said he does a good job could be used on the website. This needs to be deferred to the Park Board. No action taken.**

**Discuss and act on relisting property on Hunsaker Lane. The property needs to be listed with a Commercial Realtor. We will need a list from the other company who it has been shown too. It needs to be listed on the Town website also. Brian Good moved to approve and Gabe Peña seconded the motion. Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on listing property on Wolf Creek. The property will need to be appraised. Okey Skidmore moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on deed transfer from Vosler Trust – property for House Branch Trail. Carl said we must have a description and will need to do a title search. Put on July 18<sup>th</sup> agenda.**

**Discuss and act on maintenance agreement with NPS for House Branch Trial. Table until July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**Discuss and act on purchase of a One Beat Medical and training device out of Opioid Funds for \$12,500. Okey Skidmore moved to approve, and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on HR Update / Employee Handbook. James Lynch, Payroll Clerk said he had talked to HR and salary employees do not earn comp pay. He has also spoke to the Labor Board. Brian Good**

**moved to have James go through handbook and bring back to council and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on Resolution of Support for WVDEP/REAP Recycling Assistance Grant. Withdrawn.**

**Discuss and act on approval of Police Department Evaluations/Pay .75 per hour for all officers & clerks retroactive to July 1, 2024. All evaluations have been completed. Brian Good moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Matt Diederich asked to move No 15 to the end of agenda.**

**Discuss and act on Adoption of State Traffic Code Chapter 17, 17A, 17B, 17C, 17D, 17E, and 17G. Zenda Vance moved to approve, and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Hire Certified Police Officer John McGuire at the Rate of \$24.25 Per Hour. Okey Skidmore moves to approve, and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Discuss and act on approval of Town Employee Evaluations/Pay retroactive to July 1, 2024. Brian Good moved to go into Executive Session for discussion and Zenda Vance seconded the motion. The council went into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. and reconvened at 7:43 p.m. with no decisions rendered. Okey Skidmore moved to approve pay raises by chart presented to Council and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.**

**Brian Good moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.**

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**Mayor Sharon Cruikshank**

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**Recorder Zenda L Vance**