

Fayetteville Town Council met in Regular Session on July 18, 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 Zenda Vance.

Mayor Sharon Cruikshank called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sharon Cruikshank.

Financial:

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

Visitor's Agenda

Marty Jones thanked the Town for a huge success for the District Little League tournament. The park looked wonderful, and the Town is lucky to have it.

George Tabit said he was very spectacle about hosting a tournament, but it all worked out well. He opposes the House Branch Trail.

Research the deed to see what it was for. There is lots that need reviewed and he thinks property owners should get the property. If it comes down to Town, they should own it and not someone else.

Francesa Hartop said she was aware of the property, and she had talked to the Volser's and they didn't want to sell it at that time. She said the homeowners would buy and was told the Town was going to take over. Makes no sense having a trail behind your house.

Valeria Carte said the softball tournament was great. She said she loves trails but does not want it behind her property. She wants to see the Town take over the property and it be gives to the property owners. They would pay to have the property surveyed.

Mike Alexander wanted to know how much of easement would be trail. He does not want the trail behind his property.

Kathy Alexander is very concerned about the trail. She has a big back porch and sits there a lot. She knows trails are good, but you don't know if people would stay on the trail. She is asking Council to take the homeowners into consideration and not approve the trail.

Peggy Rogers is concerned about safety and who will keep the trail cleaned. She does not want the trail.

Unfinished Business:

Discuss and act on transfer deed from Volser Trust property for Housse Branch Trail. Okey said we should contact Volser's and ask them to convey to home owners and prepare deed for them. Have Carl call Volser's to convey back to Homeowners. Gabe wants to get the opportunity for the trail to connect to Tank Hill but not on homeowners property. George Tabit is afraid people will be camping in some of the spaces. Okey Skidmore moved to have property conveyed to homeowners and they pay for survey and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 5-0. Lori Tabit excused herself from the vote due to her living in the neighborhood.

Discuss and act on NPS agreement for maintenance for Houe Branch Trail. No action taken.

Discuss and act on 2nd reading WV State Traffic Code Chapter 17, 17A, 17B, 17C, 17D, 17E, 17F, and 17G. Stanely Boyd moved to approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance. Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

New Business

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Tyller Hogan to Captain at \$31 per hour. Okey Skidmore moved to approve and Zenda Vance seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Stan Casey to Lieutenant at \$30 per hour. Zenda Vance moved to approve, and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Charles Johnston to Sergeant at \$28 per hour. Okey Skidmore moved to approve, and Zenda Vance seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Cynthia Kennedy to Sergeant at \$28 per hour. Zenda Vance moved to approve, and Stanley Boyd approved the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Jacob Rice to Corporal at \$27 per hour. Okey Skidmore moved to approve, and Gabe Peña seconded the motion. Brian Good, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on Police Department promotion of Luther Crisp to Patrolman First Class at \$28 per hour. Zenda Vance moved to approve, and Gabe Peña seconded the motion. Brian Good, Stanley Boyd, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on 1st reading Vaglio Street Abandonment. Zenda Vance moved to transfer the property to homeowners and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0. 2nd reading will be at next month's meeting.

Discuss and act on HR Updates/Employee Handbook. Section will be added to the handbook for exempt employees. Brian Good moved to approve and Okey Skidmore seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Zenda Vance moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Issue. The council went into Executive Session at 7:05 pm and reconvened at 8:22 pm with no decisions rendered.

Zenda Vance moved to adjourn the meeting and Gabe Peña seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

Mayor Sharon Cruikshank

Recorder Zenda L Vance