

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 09, 2021, 7:30 pm.

STANLEY TOWN OFFICE

Mayor Michael Knight called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. with all Council members in attendance: Vice Mayor Bruce Stoneberger, Councilman Duane Layman, Councilman Jeremiah Knight, Councilman Joseph Mauck and Councilman Douglas Purdham. Also present at this meeting were: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Treasurer Leon Stout, Parks Director Teri Beers and Randy Arrington with Page Valley News.

Councilman Purdham gave the Invocation and Vice Mayor Stoneberger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any additions to the proposed agenda presented for this meeting. Mayor Knight noted the need to add Closed Meeting to the agenda. Motion was made by Councilman Mauck, seconded by Councilman Layman to approve the agenda as amended.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Knight inquired if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes from the previous month's meeting as presented in writing. Mayor Knight noted on pg. 2 of the regular meeting it says a type of split rail fence and it needs to be changed to black aluminum park picket fence. Mayor Knight noted he did an estimated cost of 105 ft. of fencing and installation for \$3200.00 from Dutchway. Motion was made by Councilman Layman, seconded by Councilman Purdham to approve the minutes as amended.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Knight noted moving on to the Treasurer Report are there any questions; being none, Council moved onto the Paywarrant.

Mr. Pettit noted Bill #1 (Adco Marketing - \$470.00) for personalized face masks were paid with Covid Funds.

Vice Mayor Stoneberger inquired about Bill #14 (C.W. Freeze - \$534.00) for fencing. Mr. Pettit noted it was for the fence that was installed around the pump station at the Tech Center while repairs were being made.

Mayor Knight asked about Bill #15 (C.W. Freeze - \$1,188.00) was fence required around that pump. Mr. Pettit noted it was needed for our protection as well as for safety others.

Vice Mayor Stoneberger inquired about Bills #104 & #105 (Stanley Post Office - \$330.00) it was all for stamps. Treasurer Stout noted was all for stamps.

Vice Mayor Stoneberger asked about Bill #117 (Village Auto Center - \$750.00). Mr. Pettit noted the trash truck was hit while parked at the Public Works Building. The insurance company of the person that struck the trash truck paid for the damage to the windshield.

Mayor Knight noted if there are no further questions, we will move onto the Loan Portfolio. There again were no questions and Motion was made by Councilman Layman, seconded by Councilman Mauck to approve the Paywarrant in the amount of \$261,283.32.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit presented his Administrative Report at 7:40 pm. noting work continues on the bathrooms and dressing rooms at the amphitheater to have them finished before Homecoming.

Mr. Pettit continued noting the water line has been installed and the sewer line has been installed from the amphitheater to the proposed site of the pump station. Mr. Pettit noted the station is supposed to arrive on Wednesday, which the sewer line needs to be installed from the station to the bathrooms at the Ed Good Shelter.

Mr. Pettit noted the ditch will be finished on Monday after the electric line is in and we continue to wait on Comcast for cable line and internet.

Mr. Pettit noted the ramp needs to be finished in the rear of the building as well grading, which Councilman Mauck is donating his machinery and time to complete this job.

Mr. Pettit distributed copies of the sign Pioneer Bank has designed, with the name they chose for this building, Pioneer Bank Performance Center. Mayor Knight noted he has concerns with the area where they are wanting to put the sign; that it will hang down too far. Discussion followed on this matter with Mr. Pettit noting can talk to the bank about our concerns. amphitheater

Councilman Layman inquired if we have a plan whether to sow grass or lay sod Mr. Pettit noted Noah Turner has offered to donate \$1500.00 for sod and putting it down if the town will agree to pay the same. Motion was made by Councilman Layman, seconded by Councilman Mauck to Mr. Noah Turner's offer.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit noted he continues to work with the County's EDA Director on the Masonite Sewer Project.

Mr. Pettit noted under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 the town can receive funds from the Federal Government and he advised he heard from the Federal Government today the Town of Stanley has been awarded \$1,735,766.00. Mr. Pettit noted this money has to be spent by 2024. Discussion followed with a Motion made by Councilman Purdham, seconded by Councilman Mauck to accept the funds in the amount of \$1,735,766.00 to be spent by 2024.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit noted the Board of Supervisors voted at their meeting to appoint a council, one from each district. Mr. Pettit continued noting that this council will review all TOT requests and make recommendations on who they feel should receive the funding.

Mr. Pettit noted he included a copy of the Consumer Confidence Report which we are required to file this every year with the Office of Water Programs. Mr. Pettit noted this notice this will run 2 consecutive weeks in the local paper.

Mr. Pettit noted the library requested to have the parking lot resealed so lines could be re-painted before the Covid Epidemic hit, and they closed to the public Mr. Pettit noted they have re-opened to the public and the request is back on the agenda. Mr. Pettit noted the quote he received is \$1600.00 to fill-in the cracks and re-stripe, but it cannot be done until next year. Discussion followed with Councilman Mauck making the Motion to approve the resealing and re-stripping of the library parking lot at the cost of \$1600.00 with the town paying ½ of half of the with Library Funds.

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Purdham inquired about the possibility of contacting VDOT about moving the STOP Sign at the end of Hawksbill Park Road out farther to be able to see on coming traffic. Mr. Pettit noted he would contact VDOT.

Police Chief Ryan Dean presented his Administrative Report at 8:00 pm. noting his department had 308 – Calls for Service, 190 – Calls for Service Self-initiated, 1 – Citation Issued.

Chief Dean noted he had not been officially notified about funding from the School Board toward a School Resource Officer for Stanley. Mr. Pettit advised he and the office staff were told the department will be allocated \$16,000.00 in funding for a school resource officer.

Chief Dean also noted he had met with Rinker & Frye Memorials Inc. about adding Officer Nick Winum's name to the Police Memorial. Chief Dean noted he wants to refurbish the memorial and has volunteers that will hold fundraisers to pay for this venture. Chief Dean inquired if he could proceed with the improvements to the Police Memorial. Motion was made by Councilman Layman, seconded by Councilman Mauck to proceed with the Improvements to the Police Memorial.

MOTION CARRIED.

Chief Dean noted he has been able to purchase the pistols needed for the rest of his officers. Chief Dean noted he is down a couple of rifles, and he has had citizens offer to purchase rifles for his department, but he thinks he is going to follow several other departments that are going back to using the old military rifles. Chief Dean also noted he has started the Glock Gun Raffle with the proceeds going to the Winum Family.

Mayor Knight inquired what certifications is his department missing with the loss of Officer Winum and Capt. Brown. Chief Dean advised they did firearms and radar, but they would be ok as he has spoken with other officers about doing the certifications until we get our own certification.

Vice Mayor Stoneberger thanked Chief Dean for having a little extra patrolling of Chapel Road as it has helped with the speeders.

Mr. Pettit noted that Stanley Elementary School donated a tree in memory of Nick Winum which was planted at the Ed Good Park.

Mr. Pettit also noted we assisted the Town of Shenandoah with our bucket truck putting up banners for Memorial Day. Mr. Pettit noted all 3 towns help each other whenever there is a need.

Mr. Pettit noted the County will be holding a public hearing at their next meeting to discuss the possibility of implementing a cigarette tax.

Mr. Pettit presented the Recreation Report at 8:15 pm. noting opening day for the pool was rainy and cool but Memorial Day was busy with 106 swimmers.

Mr. Pettit noted we have had issues with bathing suits this year and we have never had a written policy for swimsuits. Discussion followed with the decision to post a sign noting it is a family-oriented facility.

Mr. Pettit noted Sheriff Chad Cubbage is requesting the use of the pool and large shelter for his employees. Motion was made by Councilman Purdham, seconded by Councilman Layman to allow this request at no charge.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit also noted the Stanley Little League is requesting use of the pool and large shelter on July 15th for their annual picnic and awards. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Stoneberger, seconded by Councilman Purdham.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit noted he reached out to Jenna Hill to paint a scene on the Filter Room Wall to add a little something to the pool.

Mr. Pettit noted repairs are beginning at Woodside Cottage to the bathroom and replacing the floor.

Mr. Pettit noted that Homecoming is only 3 weeks away and he needs to know who is riding in the parade. Mr. Pettit also noted Council will need to pick award winners while working in the Food Booth on Wednesday night.

Mr. Pettit noted Marguerite Sours, who lives right outside of Stanley's town limits, just turned 104 and her family would like for the town to recognize her for her age. Discussion followed on this issue with the Mayor and Council noting a proclamation will be written and she will be recognized on June 28, 2021.

Mr. Pettit moved on to the Water and Sewer Report noting we are still waiting on A-TEAM to start work on the installation of the new sewer line on T Bird Lane.

Mr. Pettit noted work on the Well #7 grant/loan application with Rural Development is still on going.

Mr. Pettit also noted we continue to wait on Bradford Morris to make repairs at Lift Station E.

Mr. Pettit noted he will be advertising the job opening in the public work department over the next several weeks.

Mr. Pettit noted with school out he will be seeking bids on the sidewalk project on Aylor Grubbs Avenue to start in July.

Mr. Pettit noted there is a manhole leaking at Food Lion and he has contacted a company to come and make the necessary repairs.

Mr. Pettit reminded the Body of Movie Night on June 12th at Hawksbill Pool.

Mayor Knight noted it was time for any New Business to be discussed.

Mayor Knight noted the need to adopt to adopt the Budget for FY 2021-2022, is there any discussion, there being none, Motion was made by Councilman Mauck, seconded by Councilman Purdham to adopt the proposed budget with totals of \$2,304,571.00 for the fiscal year of July 01, 2021, thru June 30, 2022.

The Proposed Budget for 2021-2022 reflects no increase in real estate and personal property tax, business license, vehicle license, lodging tax, pole tax, cigarette tax, sewer rates, trash rates, water rates and water and sewer connection fees.

VOTING YEA:

Vice Mayor Stoneberger
Councilman Layman
Councilman Knight
Councilman Purdham
Councilman Mauck

VOTING NAY:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Knight noted the need to adopt the State Code for this fiscal year (See Attached). Motion was made by Councilman Mauck, seconded by Vice Mayor Stoneberger.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Pettit noted if everyone agrees we will start the Enhancement Awards in July. Mr. Pettit continued noting for everyone to be looking for possible nominations.

Mayor Knight noted it was time for Public Comment.

Randy Arrington with Page Valley News noted the Splash Pad (Water Feature) is a Huge Success, he continued noting he had heard only great things about it.

Motion was made by Councilman Knight, seconded by Councilman Purdham at 8:37 pm. to move that the Town Council Convene in a Closed Meeting for the discussion of Personnel Matters as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 Subsection A1.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote.

VOTING YEA:

Vice Mayor Stoneberger
Councilman Layman
Councilman Knight
Councilman Purdham
Councilman Mauck

VOTING NAY:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Knight states at 9:16 pm. Council is in Open Meeting.

Motion was made by Councilman Knight, seconded by Councilman Mauck to Adopt A Resolution to Certify a Closed Meeting; the meeting was held for the purpose allowed under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act that while in a Closed Meeting, only those matters identified in the Motion to hold a Closed Meeting were discussed.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote.

VOTING YEA:

Vice Mayor Stoneberger
Councilman Layman
Councilman Knight
Councilman Purdham
Councilman Mauck

VOTING NAY:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion was made by Councilman Mauck, seconded by Councilman Purdham to allow an employee of the Town of Stanley to live in Woodside Cottage only until June 30, 2021.

VOTING YEA:

Vice Mayor Stoneberger
Councilman Layman
Councilman Purdham
Councilman Mauck

VOTING NAY:

Councilman Knight

MOTION CARRIED.

Vice Mayor Stoneberger advised he was approached by a resident of the town about a neighbor's yard. Vice Mayor Stoneberger noted the resident told him he was wanting to sell his house but knew it would be hard because of the mess outside at the house next door. Vice Mayor Stoneberger noted he wanted to know if the town would be able to do something to make him clean-up the mess. Vice Mayor Stoneberger noted he saw himself brush pile and other places where he said there were rodents and snakes. Mr. Pettit noted it was not really anything the town could do but he would take a look at it again.

Mr. Pettit was asked about the residence on Pond Avenue and was anything happening. Mr. Pettit advised the town attorney was working on this issue.

Motion was made by Councilman Knight, seconded by Councilman Purdham to adjourn this meeting at 9:28 pm.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mike Knight, Mayor

Norma Cabbage, Clerk

