

Town of Lovettsville

Town Council Minutes of Regular Meeting April 8, 2010

Mayor Elaine Walker called the regular meeting of the Lovettsville Town Council to order at 8:00 PM on Thursday, April 8, 2010.

Present at Meeting

- Mayor Elaine Walker
- Vice Mayor Robert Zoldos II
- Council Members Charlotte Coleman, Scott Dockum, DiJon Jones, Michael Senate, Shaun Staley
- Town Manager Keith Markel
- Project Manager Karin Fellers (*arrived at 8:20 PM*)
- Town Clerk Judy L. Kromholz

Absent

None

Audience

Milo Burke (Boy Scout, Troop 962)

Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation

Mayor Walker asked for a moment of silence in honor of the miners who lost their lives in the coal mine explosion in West Virginia and their families. She then led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from the Public

Scout Milo Burke reported that the Boy Scouts are selling and spreading mulch as a fundraiser and he is asking that the Town support this effort. Council suggested that the Town support this effort and Manager Markel will follow up with the Scouts.

Community Presentations

A. Loudoun County Sheriff's Office

Loudoun County Deputy Sheriff Mertz-Myers presented her monthly report. She reported that larcenies from unlocked vehicles continue and explained that is why the portable electric sign reminding residents to lock their vehicles and secure their belongs has been posted by the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office inside the Town's southern limits. She continues to respond to complaints about skate boarders and noted that any private property owner can ban them from their property.

Additions/Deletions/Modifications to the Agenda

None

Presentations

No presentations were scheduled.

Approval of Town Council Minutes

No minutes were presented.

Report from the Treasurer

No report was presented.

Staff Reports

A. Report from the Town Manager

Manager Markel reported that all sewer lining work has been completed. However the manhole replacement near the elementary school has been delayed due to its nonstandard configuration. Parts have been ordered and the replacement will have to take place the next time the school is closed. Once that is completed only yard restoration work remains.

He reported that the Virginia Department of Transportation inspector found slight weaknesses in two spots on Germanna Drive and required some additional compaction testing be performed before paving. The contractor expects paving to begin next week.

The Planning Commission held Public Hearings on LVZA 2010-0004-Zoning Ordinance Amendment to allow Veterinary Offices as a Conditional Use in Zones C-1, C-2 and Town Center Planned Development Districts and LVCU 2010-0001-Consider a Request for a Conditional Use Permit to Allow a Veterinary Hospital Use on the Property Located at 2 East Broad Way at their last meeting. These hearings were very well attended by the public, all of whom supported allowing the veterinary practice at that location. The Town Council Public Hearings will be on May 13, 2010.

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the consent agenda.

Action/Discussion Items

There were no items on the action agenda.

Information Items

Manager Markel requested the Council to set a date to interview the Board of Zoning Appeals applicant Thomas L. Ciolkosz. The Council agreed on April 15, 2010 at 7:30 PM. Manager Markel will inform the applicant.

Comments from the Mayor and Town Council

Vice Mayor Zoldos reported that the Lovettsville Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization is hosting a basket bingo tomorrow night and that the general public is welcome to attend. He also reminded Council that the Western Loudoun Little League Opening Day ceremonies will be April 17th and that Mayor Walker will be throwing out the first pitch.

Councilman Dockum reported that he had attended the Planning Commission Public Hearings last night and was enthused by the number of citizens who attended the hearing. He also asked that the Town support the Boy Scout effort. Manager Markel reported that the Town normally buys mulch by the truckload which is less expensive. He suggested selecting a particular site for the Boy Scout mulch and Councilman Dockum suggested the Town sign area. Mayor Walker suggested that if the troop also spreads the mulch, the Town will advertise the project. It was agreed that enough mulch will be purchased from the Boy Scouts to do the Town sign area.

Councilman Staley stated that he had attended the Candidates debate and thought it had been handled very professionally.

Councilwoman Coleman reported that she had also attended the Planning Commission Public Hearings and was impressed with the community support expressed for the veterinary hospital.

Mayor Walker reported on the following items:

1. A drive up mailbox has been installed at the Post Office. She reminded those present that the Town has always actively supported the installation of the drive up mailbox.
2. The Town Council and the Mayor will hold a Closed Session meeting with the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors and the Loudoun County School Board in April 20, 2010 at 8:00 PM in Town Hall.
3. She has been impressed by the I&I contractors who are working in Town and is confident that they will do the repair work very well.
4. The public participation in the Planning Commission Public Hearings was wonderful and she is very happy that Dr. Pruckowski will be practicing in Town.

Councilwoman Coleman asked if the Town will be holding an observance of Arbor Day. Manager Markel reported that the Town will be replacing some shrubbery in the Lovettsville Town Square and that new planting is complicated by the fact that the streets have not yet been accepted into VDOT's system.

Adjournment/Recess

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Walker asked for a motion.

Motion: To adjourn the April 8, 2010 meeting of the Lovettsville Town Council and begin a Town Council Work Session on the Budget and CIP.

By: Council Member Staley

Second: Council Member Coleman

Aye: Council Members Coleman, Dockum, Jones, Senate, Staley, Zoldos

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Judy L. Kromholz, Town Clerk

Date Approved: May 27, 2010

Attachments:

- I. Speaker Sign in Sheet

Town of Southville

Speaker Sign - Up Sheet

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Name and Association	Address	Topic	Email Address (Optional) ¹
Milo Burke	39433 Bollinger Rd	BSA 962	

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