

Town of Lovettsville

Town Council Minutes of the March 16, 2013 Regular Meeting

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Robert Zoldos called the Regular Meeting of the Lovettsville Town Council to order at 10:02 AM on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at the Lovettsville Town Hall, 6 East Pennsylvania Avenue, Lovettsville, VA.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Zoldos led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at Meeting

- Mayor Robert Zoldos II
- Vice Mayor Mike Senate
- Council Member Kimberly Allar
- Council Member Jack Burden
- Council Member Rodney Gray
- Council Member James McIntyre

Staff

- Town Manager Keith Markel
- Town Clerk Harriet West

Absent

- Council Member Tiffany Carder

Presentations

Diane Chang, representing the Lovettsville Lion's Club, gave a presentation on Diabetes Awareness Month. She distributed Diabetes Risk Test brochures and asked the Council to issue a proclamation designating March 26, 2013 as American Diabetes Association Alert Day in the Town of Lovettsville. Ms. Chang said she will be conducting a diabetes education and wellness course in April and May at the Lovettsville Library.

Motion: I move to adopt Resolution No. 2013-03-0001: Proclamation of March 26, 2013 as the American Diabetes Association Alert Day in the Town of Lovettsville.

By: Vice Mayor Senate

Vice Mayor Senate read the Resolution aloud (Attachment 1).

Second: Council Member McIntyre

Mayor Zoldos called for further discussion. Hearing none, he called for the vote.

Aye: Council Members Allar, Burden, Gray, McIntyre, and Senate

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member Carder

Mayor Zoldos signed the resolution and presented it to Diane Chang and the other members of the Lion's Club who were present.

Mayor Zoldos announced there would be no Closed Session.

Comments from the Public

Mayor Zoldos called for comments from the public. There were none.

Community Presentations

A. Loudoun County Sheriff's Office

Deputy Sheriff Lopreto said there had been no crimes reported in Town over the past couple of weeks. He will be moving the Sheriff Department's electronic sign to Town for several days. The message will remind residents to lock their homes and vehicles.

B. Lovettsville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company
There was no report.

C. Lovettsville Community Center
There was no report.

D. Lovettsville Library
There was no report.

Town Commission and Committee Reports

A. Lovettsville Planning Commission

Mayor Zoldos noted that the Planning Commission did not meet this past week due to snow. Manager Markel said a number of the Commissioners would be completing the training for the Certified Planning Commissioner Program.

B. Parks Committee

Vice Mayor Senate said they recently broke ground for the Walker Pavilion, which they expect to have completed in time for MayFest. The committee is getting estimates for the Quarter Branch Park and will soon be selecting colors for the building.

C. "We're In" Committee

Mayor Zoldos said a couple members of the "We're In" Committee met last week. Manager Markel said the committee is going to try adjusting its meeting time to weekday mornings to make it more convenient for members to attend. He added that the new applicant for the Chair will be meeting with the Zoning Administrator and attending a "We're In" meeting, prior to being interviewed by the Council.

D. MayFest Committee

Manager Markel said there are a number of new vendor applications and the trolley has been reserved. Mayor Zoldos said the committee has been divided into several team leads and they are moving forward. Councilman Gray said they are working on the equipment that will be available for the bands.

E. Oktoberfest Committee

Councilman McIntyre said the committee will be working on the budget and team lead assignments. The Alte Kameradan band and Alpine Dancers will be participating again this year.

Additions/Deletions/Modifications to the Agenda

Mayor Zoldos asked if there were any additions, deletions, modifications to the agenda. There were no changes from the Council Members. Mayor Zoldos said he would like to add an Information Item regarding the location of the Town Office.

Minutes

No minutes were presented.

Report from the Treasurer

There was no report from the Treasurer.

Staff Reports

A. Report from the Project Manager

There was no report from the Project Manager.

B. Report from the Zoning Administrator

There was no report from the Zoning Administrator. Manager Markel said Staff is working on resolving an issue with an out of town business selling product in Town without a business license.

C. Report from the Town Attorney

There was no report.

D. Report from the Town Manager

Manager Markel distributed his report. There were no questions from the Council.

Action/Discussion Items

There were no action/discussion items.

Information Items

A. Review of Recent Water and Sewer Repairs

Manager Markel presented this item. Over the past several weeks the Town has made repairs to water leaks in the Kingsridge Development and on South Loudoun Street, North Light Street, and Red Bud Lane. The Town also had two significant blockages in the sanitary sewer line on February 27, caused by grease most likely from local restaurants. The cost of removing the sewer blockages was nearly \$3,000 including staff time for Loudoun Water and assistance from the Town of Purcellville. Manager Markel reviewed the individual events and causes. He also discussed possible long-term strategies for dealing with these occurrences, including inspecting all of the restaurants to make sure they are using functioning grease traps, inspecting and cleaning the sewage lines, and hiring a leak detection company to check for potential underground water leaks in Town. These ongoing maintenance costs will be factored into the upcoming budget discussions.

The Council and staff discussed the need for providing ongoing maintenance, raising public awareness, and working with other towns in Western Loudoun to have access to their equipment for necessary repairs.

B. Location of Town Office

Mayor Zoldos presented this item. The Facilities Committee met four times this week to interview architecture firms for the expansion of the Town Office. During the course of the interviews, the committee began to question if the current site is the best location due to the limitations of the surrounding streets. Mayor Zoldos said the committee would like to put this on the agenda for the March 21, 2013 Town Council meeting. There was no objection from the Council.

Comments from the Mayor and Town Council

Vice Mayor Senate said he and the Town Manager recently attended the Town Association of Northern Virginia meeting. He also attended The Journey Through Hallowed Ground meeting and noted the organization is doing a great job of promoting the region's history nationally and internationally.

Councilman Gray said the County's wayfinding sign has been replaced with the correct sign for the Town.

Councilman McIntyre thanked Manager Markel and Project Manager Fellers for all of the work they put into the Facility Committee meetings this week.

Mayor Zoldos reported on the following:

- He thanked the Town staff for all of their work over the past several weeks.
- He gave an update on funding for the Lovettsville Community Center and Park.
- He and the Town Manager met with County staff regarding water and sewer needs for the Lovettsville Community Park. The County's proposed plan for tying into the Town's water and sewer will be presented to the Town Council and Lovettsville Elementary School at a later date. The current plan includes a small pond to be used to irrigate fields.
- He recently attended several events at the Lovettsville Elementary School.
- Baseball opening day is April 20.
- He and Town Staff met with representative from Lennar to explore development options for their property located on the outskirts of Town, behind the Community Center.
- He attended the business legislative breakfast with former Mayor Walker. The main topic was state transportation issues.

- He had another meeting with NVRetail to explore ideas for the commercial space at Town Center. The developer has offered to allow the Lovettsville Cooperative Market to use the commercial space around the Town Green for the summer Farmer Market.
- The County's wayfinding sign for the Town has been replaced.
- There will be a conference call with Mr. Sakelleris next week to discuss issues in Kingsridge.
- The new Civil War Marker sign is in place and will be unveiled at a later date.

Mayor Zoldos asked if there were any additional comments. Vice Mayor Senate said the Town is now on The Journey Through Hallowed Ground map and that the groundbreaking photo for the Walker Pavilion was in the *Brunswick Citizen*. Councilman Burden referenced an article about the Lovettsville area that was in the real estate section of *The Washington Post*. Mayor Zoldos said Staff is working on the ribbon cutting ceremony for the pavilion prior to MayFest.

Closed Session

There was no Closed Session.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Harriet West, Town Clerk

Date Approved: June 13, 2013

Attachments:

1. Resolution No. 2013-03-001: Proclamation of March 26, 2013 as the American Diabetes Association Alert Day in the Town of Lovettsville.

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Resolution No. 2013-03-001: Proclamation of March 26, 2013 as the American Diabetes Association Alert Day in the Town of Lovettsville

MOTION: Senate
SECOND: McIntyre

WHEREAS, Nearly 26 million Americans – including 531,000 in the Commonwealth of Virginia and 7.9% of the adult population in Loudoun County – have diabetes, a serious disease that has no cure; and

WHEREAS, approximately a quarter of the people with diabetes (7 million Americans) don't know that they have the disease; and

WHEREAS, another 79 million, or one in three American adults have prediabetes, a condition that puts them at greater risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

WHEREAS, diabetes has many faces affecting everyone young and old alike, including: Caucasians, African Americas, Latinos, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; and

WHEREAS, minority populations in the United States have an increased risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

WHEREAS, one in three American adults will have diabetes by 2050, if current trends continue; and

WHEREAS, diabetes is the seventh-leading cause of death by disease in the United States; and

WHEREAS, people with undiagnosed diabetes may experience damage to the heart, eyes, kidneys and limbs – without producing any symptoms; and

WHEREAS, an increase in community awareness of risk factors and symptoms related to diabetes can improve the likelihood that people with diabetes will get the attention they need before suffering the devastating complications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council hereby proclaim March 26, 2013, to be American Diabetes Association Alert Day in the Town of Lovettsville. We encourage all Americans to help fight this disease and its deadly complications such as heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney disease and amputation by increasing awareness of the risk factors for diabetes, making healthy lifestyle choices and providing support to those suffering from diabetes.

VOTE:

Ayes: Allar, Burden, Gray, McIntyre, and Senate

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent for vote: Carder

APPROVED: March 16, 2013



HARRIET WEST, TOWN CLERK



ROBERT ZOLDOS II, MAYOR

The German Settlement