

Town of Lovettsville

Town Council

Minutes of Regular Meeting November 17, 2011

Mayor Elaine Walker convened the regular meeting of the Lovettsville Town Council at the Lovettsville Elementary School (49 South Loudoun Street) on Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 7:34 PM.

Present at Meeting

- Mayor Elaine Walker
- Vice Mayor Robert Zoldos II
- Council Members Tiffaney Carder, Charlotte Coleman, Michael Senate, Timothy Sparbanie
- Town Manager Keith Markel
- Town Clerk Judy Kromholz

Absent

- Council Member Shaun Staley

Special Program honoring American Education Week

Mayor Walker welcomed everyone in attendance and introduced the Council and Town Staff members. The Lovettsville Elementary School Chorus, under the direction of Sarah Stillman, performed three songs.

Mayor Walker explained the American Education Week Proclamation and each Council member read a section aloud (Attachment I: Proclamation). The Mayor asked for a motion.

Motion: I move to adopt the American Education Week Proclamation as presented.

By: Vice Mayor Zoldos

Second: Council Member Senate

Aye: Council Members Carder, Coleman, Senate, Sparbanie, Zoldos

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member Staley

The proclamation was presented to Principal Forcino. Principal Forcino thanked the children and parents for attending this meeting. She stated how proud she was of the student chorus. Mayor Walker also thanked Mrs. Stillman, prompting a cheer from the assembled students. Mayor Walker announced that the Christmas tree lighting will be two weeks from tomorrow night.

Mayor Walker called for a brief recess.

Mayor Elaine Walker convened the regular meeting of the Lovettsville Town Council at the Lovettsville Elementary School on Thursday, November 18, 2010 at 8:06 PM.

Comments from the Public (Attachment II: Speaker Signup Sheet)

No member of the public had signed up to speak.

Community Presentations

A. Lovettsville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department

President William Mungovan gave the call report for last year and so far this year. He announced that Breakfast with Santa at the firehouse will be on December 10th. Councilman Sparbanie asked if bingo funded the station and President Mungovan explained how the station is funded.

Lovettsville Business Association

Manager Markel stated that the Association will be providing refreshments at the tree lighting again this year.

Economic Development Advisory Committee

Councilwoman Carder announced that the next meeting will be on December 1st at Town Hall. She also stated that the committee has another candidate for appointment tonight.

Additions/Deletions/Modifications to the Agenda

Councilwoman Carder added an action item to discuss the appointment of a new member to the EDAC and added a discussion item about the Town's Facebook page.

Presentations

No presentations were scheduled.

Approval of Town Council Minutes

A. Town Council Regular Meeting – July 14, 2011

The Council tabled these minutes because Councilman Staley was not present and had not presented any changes. Mayor Walker stated that she wants these minutes to be adopted at the next Council meeting.

Report from the Treasurer

No report was presented.

Staff Reports

A. Report from the Zoning Administrator

The Council had no questions concerning Administrator McGregor's written report for October 2011.

B. Report from the Project Manager

Manager Markel presented Project Manager Fellers report. There were no questions from the Council.

C. Report from the Town Manager

Manager Markel reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals affirmed Administrator McGregor's decision. The attorneys are scheduled to discuss the next steps tomorrow and Manager Markel will report back at the next Council meeting.

Manager Markel informed Council that a water main repair at 2 South Loudoun Street tomorrow morning may require briefly turning off water to all of Pennsylvania Avenue and a short section of Loudoun Street. Information has been posted on the Town website.

Action/Discussion Items

A. EDAC Appointment

Motion: I move that the following appointment be made to the EDAC:
Jason Lage to a term of two years ending June 30, 2013 effective immediately.
By: Council Member Carder
Second: Council Member Sparbanie
Aye: Council Members Carder, Coleman, Senate, Sparbanie, Zoldos
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Council Member Staley

B. Facebook

Councilwoman Carder reported that she has obtained a copy of Loudoun County's Policy on Social Media and suggested adopting it as the Town's policy. Vice Mayor Zoldos suggested that this be brought forward as a motion at the next Council meeting.

Information Items

Vice Mayor Zoldos discussed the plans for the Tree Lighting Ceremony, noting there will be a Lantern workshop at the Community Center, followed by the procession from the Community Center to the tree and the tree lighting ceremony itself.

Comments from the Mayor and Town Council

Councilman Senate reported that the Veterans Memorial Dedication Ceremony was very well attended despite the weather. The Parks Committee is ready to move on to the bandstand project.

Councilwoman Carder reported that she had heard great things about the dedication ceremony. She had fun attending the Lovettsville Fire and Rescue installation dinner. The Catoctin art tour was wonderful. The committee has set May 26, 2012 as the date of the first summer festival.

Councilman Sparbanie congratulated everyone on the Veterans Memorial dedication about which he had heard great reviews. The Catoctin Art Tour was fantastic.

Councilwoman Coleman reported that the Rob Jones movie will be shown again on the December 20th at the Hamilton safety center. The Memorial Dedication was a wonderful and moving event.

Vice Mayor Zoldos state that the Memorial dedication was great and that the Memorial is stunning at night. He reported that the PTO bingo was a very successful fundraiser for Lovettsville Elementary School.

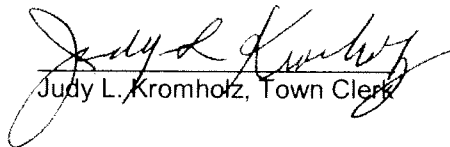
Mayor Walker reported on the following:

1. She is extremely proud of the Veterans Memorial Dedication ceremony.
2. The Community Thanksgiving service at the Lovettsville firehouse is next Tuesday.
3. The Town office will be closed next Thursday and Friday in honor of Thanksgiving.
4. The Town continues to pursue the Broad Way project with Dominion Power and VDOT.
5. The Town Hall office lunch will be December 15th.
6. She will be holding Office Hours with Councilwoman Carder on December 15th.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Judy L. Kromholz, Town Clerk

Date Approved: January 26, 2012

Attachments:

- I. Proclamation – American Education Week
- II. Speaker Sign in Sheet

Town of Lovettsville

PROCLAMATION AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK NOVEMBER 14-18, 2011

WHEREAS, during the week of November 14-18, 2011, citizens throughout the United States are celebrating the observance of American Education Week in appreciation of the important contributions of America's public and private educational systems to the strength of our Communities and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, speaking in behalf of the citizens of the Town of Lovettsville, the Mayor and Members of the Town Council are especially proud of our own Lovettsville Elementary School, the Students, the Principal, Teachers and Staff, and are pleased with the exceptional relationship between our School and our Town; and

WHEREAS, every citizen of Loudoun County can be justifiably proud of the outstanding accomplishments of the students in Loudoun County Public Schools whose average achievement test scores consistently rank high among the 133 School Divisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the quality of instructional programs and services in the eighty public schools in Loudoun County that serve nearly 66,000 students in Kindergarten through High School, and enhances not only the growth and potential of the individual student, but also helps to ensure the strength and viability of the Loudoun Community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, informed community support for all of Loudoun's educational programs is essential to continue to provide Loudoun students with the best education possible, which will enable these students to lead productive and useful lives as contributing citizens of this Town, this County, this Nation, and the World.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Lovettsville encourage all Loudoun citizens to visit their schools during American Education Week, and at other times throughout the school year, to see for themselves the superior quality of teaching and learning in the fastest growing public school district in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Adopted this 17th day of November 2011.


ELAINE WALKER, MAYOR

The German Settlement

Town of Lovettsville

Speaker Sign - Up Sheet

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Please Print.

Name and Association	Address	Topic	Email Address (Optional)*

Each speaker will be limited to no more than three (3) minutes at the beginning of the meeting, or no more than five (5) minutes at the end of the meeting.

* If you provide your email address, you will be added to the Town Council & Planning Commission Meetings Notification List.