

**Town of Marshville
Town Council Meeting
Monday, June 18, 2012
7:00 PM
Marshville Town Hall – 201 W. Main St.**

Present: Mayor Deese, MPT Matthew Jefferson, CM Dora Bridget, CM Margaret Bivens, CM Norma Carpenter, CM Gary Huntley, C/FO Tonya Johnson. Members of the media present were Lacy Hampton and John Edmondson. Attorney for the town, Bobby Griffin, was absent due to vacation.

Open/Welcome/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Deese opened the meeting of the Marshville Town Council at 7:05 pm and welcomed everyone attending. The invocation was given by CM Gary Huntley. All gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: Limited to 2 minutes per person, 10 minutes total, if any

No public comments

Adopt Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by CM Dora Bridget and seconded by CM Gary Huntley. Vote: All ayes.

Consent Agenda

A. Approve council meeting minutes

May 30, 2012 Special meeting

June 1, 2012 Recessed meeting

B. Receive Budget Report for 05/30/2012

A motion to accept the consent agenda and approve the items thereon was made by CM Margaret Bivens and seconded by CM Norma Carpenter. Vote: All ayes.

Approve Budget Amendments for FY2011-2012

C/FO Tonya Johnson explained several budget amendments needed for FY2011-2012. One amendment was for a lease agreement for a new copier leased in July 2011. Several other amendments were to reflect salary adjustments in various depts. due to a difference in the Christmas bonus amount, several vacation payouts, and an employee that was switched to a different dept. upon becoming full time. A motion to approve the budget amendments as presented was made by CM Margaret Bivens and seconded by CM Dora Bridget. Vote: All ayes.

Closed Session, per NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee . . .

A motion to go into closed session per the statute cited above was made by CM Dora Bridget and seconded by CM Margaret Bivens. Vote: All ayes.

CLOSED SESSION (7:14 pm)

OPEN SESSION (7:20 pm)

Approve/adopt the Budget Ordinance and Schedule of Fees/Charges for FY2012-2013

A motion to approve the Budget Ordinance and Schedule of Fees for FY2012-2013 was made by CM Dora Bridget and seconded by CM Margaret Bivens. Vote: All ayes.

Action from Closed Session

There was no action as a result of the closed session.

Comments

A citizen, Doug Hill of 114 Shady Lane, Marshville, who missed public comments, requested to address council. Mayor Deese allowed Mr. Hill an opportunity to speak. Mr. Hill expressed a complaint about weeds and snakes around a pond. He commented that this was not the first time he's voiced a complaint. Mayor Deese informed Mr. Hill that he and DPW Bivens Steele would get together tomorrow to at the area and work on rectifying the problem. Mr. Hill also complained about tall grass at 118 Shady Lane.

MPT Matthew Jefferson requested an update on the progress with the crosswalks. Chief Webber commented he was not aware of the current status. Mayor Deese stated he will follow up with the former manager. MPT Jefferson stated the crosswalks are important to the Main Street Program. MPT Jefferson informed council that the Main St. committee had a good meeting last week with some folks from the Small Town Main St. Program. He feels Marshville has a good chance. MPT Jefferson feels council needs to discuss a permanent site for a local farmers market in Marshville. Mayor Deese explained that, according to Diane Dil, a farmers market has to be a structure. Therefore, the area behind Olde Tyme Marketplace is not acceptable. Mayor Deese agreed to add the discussion to a future agenda.

CM Norma Carpenter commented that the grand opening of the Marshville Museum was a success. It will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sundays.

CM Margaret Bivens commented she was also pleased with the museum.

CM Gary Huntley commended the dept. heads for their work in controlling the speed on Unarco Road. He also commended Mayor Deese on a recent interview. CM Huntley also expressed get well wishes to Debra Leigh.

C/FO Tonya Johnson gave an update on Debra Leigh. She conveyed that staff is pulling together to get the job done. She also reported that auditors are working at Town Hall this week.

Mayor Deese informed council of the need of possibly hiring a part-time person. He also stressed the importance of cross-training and preparing staff in the event of an emergency. Mayor Deese commended staff for the tremendous job they do. He stressed that our employees are invaluable and they need to be taken care of.

Adjourn

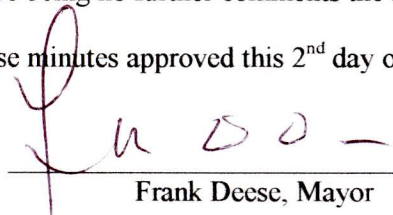
A motion to adjourn was made by CM Margaret Bivens and seconded by

Vote: All ayes.

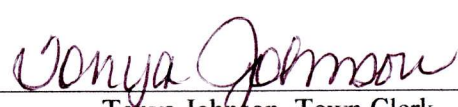
There being no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

These minutes approved this 2nd day of July, 2012.

By:


Frank Deese, Mayor

Attest:


Tonya Johnson, Town Clerk

**A brief recess may be called every 45-60 minutes, as desired by Council.*