Town of Marshville Town Council Meeting Tuesday, July 5, 2011 7:00 PM Marshville Town Hall – 201 W. Main St.

REGULAR MEETING

Present: Mayor Frank Deese; MPT Margaret Bivens; CM Dora Bridget; CM Ned Beachum; CM Matthew Jefferson; TM Radford Thomas; Clerk/FO Tonya Johnson; Police Chief Carl Webber; DPW Bivens Steele; Attorney Bobby Griffin. Also present were John Edmondson of *The Home News*, and members of the public. PD Alan Thifault was not present.

Open/Welcome/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Deese opened the meeting of the Marshville Town Council at 7:00 pm by welcoming everyone in attendance. MPT Margaret Bivens gave the invocation. All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

No public comments

Administer Oath of Office to Police Chief Carl Webber

Mayor Deese administered the oath of office to new Police Chief Carl Webber.

Adopt Agenda

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

Consent Agenda Items:

- a. Approve Minutes of June 20, 2011 meeting
- b. Approve Amended Minutes from June 6, 2011 meeting

A motion to approve the consent agenda as received was made by CM Dora Bridget and seconded by MPT Margaret Bivens. Vote: All ayes.

<u>Discussion and approval of agreement from Robert S. Segal, CPA for revenue enhancement/expense reduction consultant services</u>

TM Radford Thomas spoke briefly regarding a memo provided to council members in the agenda packet to answer some questions/concerns, as well as provide responses from several references Mr. Segal provided. He recommended that council approve the agreement with Robert S. Segal, CPA. A motion to approve the agreement from Robert S. Segal, CPA for revenue enhancement/expense reduction consultant services was made by CM Dora Bridget. The motion was seconded by MPT Margaret Bivens. Vote: All ayes.

Discussion of Code of Ordinances

TM Radford Thomas asked if council, upon reviewing the new Code or Ordinances, has any issues or corrections to the new code that need to be brought to his attention before its adoption. MPT Margaret Bivens inquired about a work session to review the new ordinance book as a collective body. Attorney Bobby Griffin pointed out that there's not much new. It's what the town already had that's been compiled into a manageable document. Mayor Deese suggested council continue to review the book and bring any issues to TM Radford Thomas's attention. Council plans to look at the ordinance book again at the July 18th meeting.

Comments

Chief Carl Webber commented that it's good to be back.

CM Matthew Jefferson stated that Bivens Steele gave him a good idea for the Veterans' Day event which is to have a "cook off". He feels something like this might attract a larger crowd to the event. He asked council members to think about the idea.

CM Ned Beachum welcomed Chief Carl Webber.

MPT Margaret Bivens also welcomed Chief Carl Webber.

TM Radford Thomas informed council that code enforcement efforts have begun on a property located at 615 N. Elm St. that is in violation. He also mentioned that he spoke with someone from DOT and this may be the week that installation of the crosswalk signal at Elm St. & Hwy. 74 gets underway. Mayor Deese inquired about the schedule with CCOG planning/zoning and enforcement personnel. TM Thomas replied that Diane Dil will begin next Thursday. She will work ½ day per week here at Town Hall. James Luster will be here two days per month however, the specific days have not been worked out.

Mayor Deese commented on the joyous occasion of welcoming Carl Webber back as Chief of Police. He then informed council of the receipt of a letter of resignation from TM Radford Thomas. He stated that he sadly accepts the letter but understands and supports TM Thomas's move. He conveyed that July 29, 2011 will be TM Radford Thomas's last day with the Town of Marshville. Mayor Deese wished TM Thomas well and thanked him for doing a great job. He urged council members to begin thinking of an interim replacement.

TM Radford Thomas commented that he appreciates the opportunity given to him by this council. He commented that Marshville is a great place. He thanked the council, staff and citizens. TM Thomas stated that we've worked together to get some good things done for Marshville.

<u>Adjourn</u>

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CM Dora Bridget and seconded by CM Ned Beachum. Vote: All ayes.

There being no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

These minutes approved this 18th day of July, 2011.

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Franklin Deese

Mayor

ATTEST:

Tonya D. Johnson

Town Clerk

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