

TOWN OF COEBURN

Council Workshop Minutes

July 25, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. – 409 Front Street E, Coeburn, VA

Attendees: All Councilpersons were in attendance. Also present were Loretta Mays, Town Manager, and Jeff Kilgore, Veolia Project Manager.

Call to Order: Mayor Larry Salyer called the workshop meeting to order.

Business:

- Regarding the alleyway abandonment request from Wendall Barnette, the Town Attorney has been unable to reach the attorney representing Delta Tire. Mayor Salyer indicated he would like to act on this matter in September.
- Loretta Mays reported that an application has been filed with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for a loan totaling nearly \$2.1 million for the connection of Sheffield sewer to the town's main system.
- Keep Wise County Beautiful will hold its regular monthly meeting in Coeburn on July 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Depot. Town Council is invited to attend.
- NASA DEVELOP participants will be at Lays Hardware on Friday, July 29, 2011. Council members are encouraged to attend.
- The Lane Group has submitted a quote of \$4,600 to design drainage for the outfield at Tracy Stallard Field. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Town will rely on Jeff Kilgore's drainage expertise instead and ask the school to furnish the materials for the project.
- Loretta Mays reported that the Town has been awarded \$12,000 from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation for the dam compliance project. This brings the total grant awards for the project to \$22,000.
- Council was in agreement to approve a request for funds from the Coeburn Big League Softball team to assist them in traveling to the Southeast Regional Tournament in Clearwater, Florida. A contribution of \$200 from the recreation fund will be made immediately and approved at the August regular meeting.
- Mayor Salyer reported on behalf of the Public Safety Committee. The committee met recently and discussed DCJS grants for the Police Department, increasing police foot patrols on Front Street and in Ringley Park, receiving a written monthly report from the Fire Department, and the status of the new bay doors at the Fire Department.
- Mayor Salyer reported on behalf of the Finance Committee, which met recently. Carole Boone has resigned from the committee due to personal reasons. He told Council that the newly hired accounting firm of Charles Bridwell & Associates is

hard at work on FY09 and FY10 financials. The town's auditors are also working on internal controls. They need to speak with the Fire Chief and have been unable to reach him.

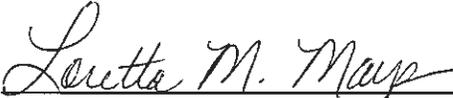
- Jeff Kilgore reported on the status of ongoing projects. The Bruce Straight water project is within 500' of being completed. The roof replacement at town hall is underway. Mr. Kilgore told Council that DEQ has recently found the Maytown and South Coeburn pump stations to be out of compliance as they were never engineered or approved. Both stations have only one pump instead of the required two.

Council Comments & Concerns:

- Carole Boone asked Ms. Mays to check on the large amount of litter at the Rainbo on the service road. She also inquired about water on Plum Street and commented on a property maintenance ordinance violation on Trent Street.
- Lynn Wells commented that the former JMAAT building is for lease by Red Oak Trading and would be a good location for a business. He asked Ms. Mays to relay the comment to the Coeburn Economic Development Authority.
- Carles Collins asked about the possibility of placing a speed limit sign and/or a hidden entrance sign on Wise Mountain Road before the pool entrance to slow down traffic. He also asked for the kudzu on Henderson Street to be sprayed with weed killer and for the ditch on the east end of town to be cleaned out. Mr. Kilgore told Council that a drain will be placed under Chestnut Street.
- Roger Bell asked Ms. Mays to write a letter to the drainage expert at VDOT concerning the serious drainage problem that has persisted for years on the corner of Grand Avenue and Centre Street.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,


ATTEST: Loretta M. Mays, Acting Clerk


Larry C. Salyer, Mayor