

MINUTES OF THE TIMBERVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

April 14th, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Timberville Council was held Thursday April 14th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town's council chambers with Mayor Donald Delaughter presiding.

MEMBERS: Carl Turner-Present Sharon Jones-Present
Clarence Fox-Absent Natalie Sherlock-Present
Debbie Jessup-Present Ned Overton-Present

PRESENT: Austin Garber, Town Manager
Melinda Hooke, Clerk/Treasurer
JR Dodd, Chief of Police
Mark Callahan, Town Attorney
Beverly Garber, Town Historian
Kellen Stepler, DNR

GUESTS: Greg Turner Butch Bowman
Jennifer Turner Carlo Montalbano
Richard Griffith Donna Montalbano
Paula Bowman Owen Silvius

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Donald Delaughter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Natalie Sherlock and seconded by Sharon Jones to approve the March Council Minutes. The motion carried with all present members voting in favor.

Roll Call Vote:

Ned Overton-Yes Debbie Jessup-Yes
Natalie Sherlock-Yes Carl Turner-Yes
Sharon Jones-Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT: General Fund	\$99,312.38
Water/Sewer Acct.	\$283,918.45
Loan Balance	\$866,991.64
CAT Financial	\$4,081.00
Money Market Acct.	\$1,209,153.97
ARPA Funds	\$694,385.61

BILLS FOR PAYMENT: A motion was made by Natalie Sherlock and seconded by Debbie Jessup to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried with all present members voting in favor.

Roll Call Vote:

Ned Overton-Yes Debbie Jessup-Yes
Natalie Sherlock-Yes Carl Turner-Yes
Sharon Jones-Yes

FORT RUN SUBDIVISION: Council reviewed the request for the Fort Run Subdivision and Planning Commission recommended to approve. The plan is for 4 lots on Belvedere Street, one coming off of Main Street and one being accessed off of Community Circle. Ned Overton made a motion to approve the subdivision request. Debbie Jessup seconded the motion. Natalie Sherlock abstained due to her property line bordering the property in question.

Roll Call Vote:

Ned Overton-Yes Debbie Jessup-Yes
Natalie Sherlock-Abstained Carl Turner-Yes
Sharon Jones-Yes

POLICE REPORT: Chief Dodd stated the officers have been working on their assigned ordinance section in town. The primary ordinances that they are enforcing is inoperable vehicles (not properly assembled, not running and not registered), brush, overgrown grass and accumulation of junk and trash. April 19th will be bulk trash pick-up. You can set out up to two tires and a pickup truck load.

PUBLIC WORKS: Town Manager Austin Garber gave Council a list of the jobs completed by the maintenance crew. A copy will become part of these minutes.
Planning Commission talked about the National Fruit Property with the old warehouse buildings. Austin Garber spoke with the new owner and asked what his plans were. The owner stated he is having a hard time finding someone to give him a quote on fixing the roof. Austin stated that the new owner is actively working on the property and making noticeable improvements.
The town office will be closed tomorrow in observance of Good Friday.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY: None

ZONING ACTIVITY:

-New Walgreens Sign

PARKS AND RECREATION: The maintenance department will be starting on the police department remodel.

The Easter Egg Hunt that was held on Saturday, April 9th had the largest turn-out to date. An estimated 401 people attended.

FINANCE: Austin Garber explained that with the decrease in the Real Estate percentage and increase in assessment value, there will be more than a 1% increase in revenue; therefore, a public hearing needs to be scheduled with a 30-day notice. The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 19th at 7:00 p.m. Council also scheduled the budget public hearing for Tuesday, May 31st at 7:00 p.m.
Austin Garber explained to Council that depreciation does not need to be included in the proposed budget. He will be removing that line item.

PERSONNEL: None

PLAINS DISTRICT MEMORIAL MUSEUM: Sharon Jones reported the museum had 174 volunteer hours, 125 visitors and 128 memberships for the month of March. The museum will host their annual Dinner Dance Fundraiser on April 30th. Town Historian Beverly Garber reported on different happenings in Timberville.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Greg Turner stated he appreciated all of the work for the ordinance on Granny Smith. Mr. Turner asked if property owners could be one of the agents to do the inspections. Mayor Delaughter responded that Austin Garber is the administrator. Mr. Turner also asked about seeking an injunction and where you would go. Town Attorney Mark Callahan stated that it's a civil matter and explained different laws.
Owen Silvius wanted to know what could be done about the safety issue of speeding on Maple Avenue. Mr. Silvius sits on Maple Avenue with a sign that says to slow down and feels like he's corrected 80% of the problem. Mayor Delaughter stated the police department would take care of it.

ADJOURNMENT: No further business, the meeting adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Melinda Hooke, Clerk

Donald Delaughter, Mayor