

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WYTHEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2007, AT 7:00 P.M.**

Members present: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, William B. Weisiger, H. Judson Lambert

Members absent: John W. Jones, Jr.

Others present: Town Manager C. Wayne Sutherland, Jr., Town Clerk Sharon P. Hackler, Police Officer Joe Posillico, Police Officer Heath Hyatt, Sergeant Jim Harrington, Kerry Eans, Agnes Eades

**RE: CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM, INVOCATION, PLEDGE**

Mayor Crewe called the meeting to order and established that a quorum of Council members was present. The invocation was given by Vice-Mayor King followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice-Mayor King.

**RE: CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Crewe presented the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 24, 2007. A motion was made by Councilman Weisiger and seconded by Councilman Lambert to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 24, 2007. Mayor Crewe inquired if there is any discussion on the motion. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition: For: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, William B. Weisiger, H. Judson Lambert. Against: None.

**RE: CITIZENS' PERIOD**

Mayor Crewe stated the next agenda item is Citizens' Period. He inquired if there are persons present who wished to address the Council during Citizens' Period. There being none, he proceeded with the agenda.

**RE: OLD BUSINESS**

Under Old Business, Town Manager Sutherland reported the following:

1. Both Council Committees will meet on their regular day and time this week.

Mayor Crewe noted he would leave this up to the Committees, and inquired if Mr. Kerry Eans received the Council packet before the meetings. Mr. Eans advised that he did not receive the packet. Mayor Crewe stated the Council has about a two page report from each Committee that they have done, and sometimes the Council reads it, and if Mr. Eans and Ms. Eades want the Council to do this, they can certainly do so. He advised that the Council has the reports placed in the minutes. He inquired as to the pleasure of the Council. Vice-Mayor King inquired if Mr. Eans and Ms. Eades would like for the Committees to read their report. Mr. Eans noted that the Committees did not have to read the reports, but he would like to be included on the mailing list. Mayor Crewe stated the Council package is accessible on line, and the package is available on line on Friday afternoon before the meeting on Monday, and the Council will provide Mr. Eans with copies of the reports at this meeting. The Council provided Mr. Eans with a copy of the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Works Committee reports.

**RE: BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mayor Crewe indicated that if he is reading the Budget and Finance Committee report correctly, there is nothing in the Budget and Finance Committee report that needs to be voted on, and it is just an update of the Committee's work. Vice-Mayor King stated that is correct. The Budget and Finance Committee report was accepted by the Town Council. A copy of the Budget and Finance Committee report is attached and made part of these minutes. ([Attachment](#)).

**RE: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mayor Crewe stated that for the Public Works Committee report, the Council would need to vote on the naming of two of the streets for Peppers Ferry Crossing. He noted he would guess that the Council could adopt the request for the out-of-town water connection for Ms. Stacy Martin and the naming of the streets in Peppers Ferry Crossing by consensus. A motion was made by Councilman Weisiger and seconded by Councilman Lambert to name two of the streets in the

Peppers Ferry Crossing as Marriott Way and Boyd Avenue. Mayor Crewe advised that the Council will, at a later date, adopt the name of the other street. Vice-Mayor King suggested that the other street be named Willy Street or William Street. Mayor Crewe noted that he can see some problems with this name, and the Council will think about those names. Vice-Mayor King stated she thought it was a good idea. Mayor Crewe noted it could be a good idea. He stated the motion is to name one of the streets as Marriott Way and the other street as Boyd Avenue. He inquired if there is any further discussion on the motion. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition: For: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, William B. Weisiger, H. Judson Lambert. Against: None.

Mayor Crewe noted the other part of the Public Works Committee report is to approve the request from Ms. Stacy Martin for an out-of-town water connection, and for the request to be sent to the Wythe County Board of Supervisors for their approval. A motion was made by Councilman Weisiger and seconded by Councilman Lambert to approve the request from Ms. Stacy Martin for an out-of-town water connection, provided that Ms. Martin conforms with all engineering standards established by the Town, and for the request to be sent to the Wythe County Board of Supervisors for their approval. Mayor Crewe inquired if there is any discussion on the motion. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition: For: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, William B. Weisiger, H. Judson Lambert. Against: None. Mayor Crewe noted the recommendation will be made to the Wythe County Board of Supervisors. He stated it takes County and Town approval before an out-of-town water connection can be made. A copy of the Public Works Committee report is attached and made part of these minutes. ([Attachment](#)).

#### **RE: BRUSH PICK UP**

Town Manager Sutherland advised that one thing the Public Works Committee will be talking about at their meeting in the morning is brush pickup. He noted there continues to be concerns with all the debris on the street from tree limbs, leaves, etc. Town Manager Sutherland stated one idea that Councilman Jones suggested that the Committee may want to think about for their meeting tomorrow is that knowing it is difficult to keep people from putting the brush on the street, for the Town to allow the brush to be out where people are putting it on the last week of the month when it is collected, and, otherwise, if it is in the street, the people will be considered to be littering. Town Manager Sutherland pointed out that the Town is going to have to find some way to control this brush in the street because it just lies in the street for a month. He requested the Public Works Committee to please be thinking about this because this is a good idea from Councilman Jones.

#### **RE: ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was duly made, seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting (7:15 p.m.).

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Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Mayor

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Sharon P. Hackler, MMC, Clerk of Council

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**OCTOBER 8, 2007**

1. At the September 10 meeting of Council, certain capital outlay items were approved by the Council, and one allocation was to be used for the purpose of buying a new computer system for the Treasurer's Office. Treasurer Mike Stephens has advised that the computer system has been ordered and that installation should occur within the next four to six weeks. Mr. Stephens noted that during the conversion process, it would require the complete backup of all information in our existing system that will be placed into the new computer system. On the actual day of conversion, the Treasurer's Office will not be capable of conducting business. When we have established a firm date as to when the conversion will occur, we will give the public notice to avoid as much inconvenience as possible.
2. Town Treasurer Michael Stephens also advised us this past week that his office is now capable of accepting MasterCard and Visa credit cards for payments to the Town. We do not have the capability of accepting Discovery cards or American Express cards. Previously, we had been unable to accept credit cards because of the fees associated with receiving payments by way of a credit card. Fortunately, we have now made arrangements to cover these fees. We think this will be very beneficial to any persons who have been desirous of making payments to the Town with their credit card. In the

future, it is hoped that we can expand our capability to accept all major credit cards.

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Jacqueline K. King

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John W. Jones, Jr.

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## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT**

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1. The developers of Peppers Ferry Crossing have requested that streets within that development be named. Currently, there is a Fairfield Inn being constructed on the property, and the developers have requested that the roadway serving that facility be named Marriott Way. There are two other streets within the development, and we would recommend that one be named Boyd Avenue and that the other be named at a later date. It would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that we accept these two street names.
2. We have received a request from Ms. Stacy Martin for an out-of-town water connection to a dwelling situated at 378 Pump Hollow Road. This dwelling had previously been served by Town water, but because of a dispute between two abutting property owners, this dwelling no longer has access to the Town's water system. Ms. Martin had pursued the concept of drilling a well on the property to serve the dwelling, but was advised by both well drilling companies that they were skeptical that a well would produce sufficient water supplies. Ms. Martin has agreed to obtain easements from other property owners in which a new water line could be constructed at her sole expense. She has also agreed to pay the connection fee as required by the Town. Out-of-town water connections require the approval of the Council and, also, the approval of the

Board of Supervisors. It would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that we approve the out-of-town water connection for the Martin residence, provided that Ms. Martin conforms with all engineering standards established by the Town, and that we forward this request to the Wythe County Board of Supervisors for their approval.

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William B. Weisiger

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H. Judson Lambert