

Town Council Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009

1. Call meeting to order/Approval of meeting minutes of December 9, 2008. Motion to approve made by Lori Robertson. Second by Lance Dom. Approved unanimously.

2. **Addressing Council:**
 - a. Meredith Wait circulated a thank you to Council for SBA for free parking meters at Christmas.
 - b. Catherine Wilson: suggests a residency requirement for elected public officers, perhaps a year. Note: state law will not allow this.
 - c. Gussie Mills: Building Commission minutes (2) part of packet. Working on space requirements and space limitations.
 - d. John Brady: Streetscape – has now moved beyond Church Street intersection. Contractor is suggesting a second work crew if town favors it. There are some parking problems for the workers. John is working to solve the problem. Work has started on King Street intersection. Stuart raised a question regarding some storm drain details. Suggestion to invite KMH representative to the meeting. Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on January 26, 2009 at Town Hall per Mayor Auxer. Underground Utilities: Allegheny to finish behind the library soon. Comcast and Frontier are done. Projected, with luck, to complete by the end of February.

Police Committee

- a. Motion to hire James Cummings as new Chief. Motion to approve made by Stuart Wallace. Second by Lori Robertson. Lance Dom abstains. Sworn in by Mayor Auxer.

Public Hearings:

- a. Motion by Howard Mills, second by Stuart Wallace. Approved unanimously.
- b. Motion by Tom Martin, second by Lori Robertson. Approved unanimously.

New Business:

- a. Back Alley: Mary Stanley asks for May 23 and 24 (Saturday and Sunday) which is Memorial Day weekend. Scheduled earlier this year to accommodate visitors, weather, etc. Motion to have those two days on those dates without any other scheduled town wide events made by Tom Martin. Second by Howard Mills. Approved unanimously.

Old Business:

8. Mayor's Report

- a. Note for Legal Counsel: Architectural Contract still under review.
- b. Soap Box Derby scheduled for 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Washington Street on Monday, May 25th. Most residents and businesses have been spoken to.
- c. Town Audit: special thanks to Pat Dowell and the town itself for such an exemplary audit – auditor very complimentary of Pat and Shepherdstown for the quality of our work.

9. Committees

- a. **Finance** – still working on simplifying reporting and making a strong 5 year income and expense projection. Auxer notes VL revenues are down about 10%.

Recommendations:

- a. \$500.00 to Caregivers. Mayor Auxer in favor. Motion to approve made by Lance Dom. Second by Lori Robertson. Approved unanimously.
- b. 10 double and 3 single parking meters (\$8,625.00). Motion to approve made by Howard Mills. Second by Tom Martin. Approved unanimously.

Personnel Committee

Motion to approve overtime policy. Motion made by Lori Robertson. Second by Tom Martin. Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve new tobacco policy. Motion made by Stuart Wallace. Second by Lori Robertson. Approved unanimously.

Water/Sewer:

Chapman report of six million for Distribution Lines and four million for Water Tanks.

Building Commission:

SIRU Fee Proposal Discussion re: exclusions, contract award (TC or Building Commission) authority. Motion to approve by Howard Mills. Second by Stuart Wallace. Lance Dom abstains.

Meeting adjourned. Motion by Stuart Wallace. Second by Tom Martin. Approved unanimously.