Minutes 1147 Town of Blacksburg

Regular Town Council Meeting February 10, 2015

In attendance were Councilman Mike Patterson, Councilman Dennis Stroupe, and Councilman Darren Janesky, with Mayor Pro-Tem Janie Wilson presiding.

No media was in attendance.

The invocation was given by Administrator Martin.

Councilman Stroupe made the motion to approve the minutes as written and distributed. Councilman Janesky seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilman Janesky made the motion for the bills to be paid and Councilman Patterson made the second. All were in favor.

Ms. Holly Nix asked Council to approve road closures for a 5k Color Walk/Run in an attempt to raise money for the high school track team. The Blacksburg Volunteer Fire Department has agreed to help with traffic safety. Councilman Patterson made the motion to approve the request with Councilman Janesky making the second. All were in favor.

Mayor Pro-Tem Wilson asked Council to consider making a donation to a new organization called We Girlz Rock. It is a nonprofit organization that helps young girls and young women to build self-esteem and to finish school. Administrator Martin asked that they wait until the organization possibly does something in Blacksburg before offering any funding. The item was tabled until further information could be gathered.

In the absence of Mayor Hogue, Will Cobb said he had found a man in Spartanburg that had display cases that were once in the Smithsonian that he had for sale. The usual cost normally ran $3,000 to $4,000 but was going to sell them or $180 to $200. Council agreed they would purchase 8 small cases and 4 of the larger cases. Councilman Patterson made the motion. Councilman Stroupe made the second. All were in favor.

Councilman Stroupe brought before Council again the Cost Recovery Ordinance the Fire Department had previously requested. The City of Gaffney has approved this for the Fire Department to recover cost of supplies used in the event of accidents by people outside Cherokee County. Council made no decision and asked Attorney Flynn to look into the request further.

Attorney Flynn asked Council to approve the second reading of the redistricting plan. Councilman Stroupe asked for this item to be tabled due to the fact he had been in contact with the office developing the plan and that he wanted possible changes.

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Attorney Flynn asked Council to approve the first reading of an ordinance for Property Restrictions on the property given to Blacksburg from the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Corporation (Exxon Mobil). Councilman Patterson made the motion to approve the first reading and Councilman Janesky made the second. All were in favor.

Mayor Pro-Tem Wilson asked for a motion to go into executive session for Chief Jamie Ham to discuss personnel issues and to receive legal advice from Attorney Flynn. Councilman Patterson made the motion and Councilman Janesky made the second. All were in favor.

Councilman Patterson made the motion to return to regular session. Councilman Stroupe seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Information was received from the police department. No action to be taken. Attorney updated Council on the Keyo Development lawsuit. No action to be taken.

Councilman Janesky told Council he has received a call from a resident of Green Street saying that police were not doing their job. She had called several times about firecrackers and other noises in the neighborhood. After some discussion and answers from the police chief, Councilman Janesky said he thought things were be handled legally and that the matter was under control. No action was needed.

Clerk Foster asked Council to approve sewer adjustments in the amount of $373.08.

Councilman Janesky made the motion to approve the adjustments with Councilman Wilson making the second. All were in favor.

There being no further business, Councilman Patterson made the motion for adjournment. Without objection, we stand adjourned.

Time of adjournment was 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura B. Foster

Town Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor, Town of Blacksburg, SC