

**Town Council Meeting Minutes**  
**January 6, 2014**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**Present at Meeting** -- Mr. Rau, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Mellecker, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, two (2) members of the Media, and (1) member of the Community. Absent: Mayor Graham.

**Meeting Called to Order** – Mr. Rau at 7:02 PM

**Pledge of Allegiance to Flag/Invocation** – Mr. Rau

**Visitors Welcomed and Reminded Minutes are Being Recorded** – Mr. Rau

**Persons Wishing to Address Council on Items Not on the Agenda** – None

**Minutes** – Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker.  
Motion Carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report by Mrs. Shaw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bass. Motion Carried.

**Old Business**

- The Volunteer Fire Department
  - Mr. Bass read the Resignations of Chief Watts and Assistant Chief Pumphrey.
  - Motion by Mr. Bass to assign Joey O'Steen as Chief and Cali Coleman as Assistant Chief and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Fontes. Motion Carried.
  
- Animal Control Interlocal Agreement
  - Tabled by Mr. Branham who stated he is still waiting on a meeting with Mr. David Hallman, the County Attorney.

## **New Business**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing for Charter Changes
  - Mr. Rau closed the regular meeting & opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 PM.
  - Mr. Branham read Ordinance No: 2014-001 by Title.
  - No Public Comment, so Mr. Rau re-opened the Regular Meeting at 7:11 PM.
  - Discussion on Section 40 C-39 about the required signatures for someone to run for an elected office within the Town.
  - Discussion on Sections 28 & 31 about the Positions of Treasurer and Clerk.
  - Motion to adopt the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the proposed Charter Changes by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.
  - Mr. Branham recommended that the proposed Changes be sent out to the Voters approximately 2 weeks before the Mail Ballots. Council Concurred.
  - Mr. Branham asked that before the Ballots go out that we all read them closely and be sure it makes sense to the people.

## **Recurring Business; Water & Sewer Adjustments**

- Mr. Fontes stated that the Health Departments water from their water break went down the drains and therefore there was no reason to adjust the bill. The bill has already been paid.

## **Review & Approval of Town Expenditures**

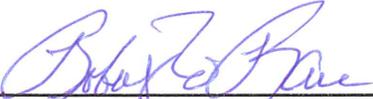
- **General Fund – \$17,980.91**
  - Motion to Approve by Mrs. Shaw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker.  
Motion Carried.
  
- **Water & Sewer Fund -- \$7,807.78**
  - Motion to Approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw.  
Motion Carried.
  
- **Water & Sewer Deposit Disbursements -- \$786.00**
  - Motion to Approve by Mr. Fontes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker.  
Motion Carried.

## Around the Council Table

- Mayor – Absent due to illness.
- Mr. Fontes -- None
- Mr. Bass – None
- Mrs. Smith -- None
- Mrs. Shaw -- None
- Mr. Mellecker -- None
- Mr. Branham -- None
- Mrs. Knagge-
  - Would like to move the next Meeting to Tuesday due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday being on Monday. Council Consensus granted. The next Meeting will be Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber Dinner is January 31<sup>st</sup> and the Mayor would like to know if the Council would like to purchase a table for (8) eight at the cost of \$180.00? The Council gave consensus to order a table out of the Town Promotions Account.
- Mr. Rau -- None

**Adjourn** -- Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried. Time: 7:56 PM.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

  
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Robert Rau, Council President

  
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Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk