

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mount Jackson Town Council was held on December 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5901 Main Street.

Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: Joseph Williams, Mayor, Neil Fadely, Kenneth Hackenbracht, Todd Holtzman, J. Bucky Miller, Rodney Shepherd, and Kay P. Whetzel, Councilmembers. Also present: Charles Moore, Town Manager and Judy Fultz, Clerk. Visitors present: Vickie Withers, Finance Director and Kim Miller.

Mayor Williams stated he hopes everyone has a very merry Christmas.

Town Manager Moore reported he will email everyone the Virginia Municipal League Legislative bulletins.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Shepherd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported an hour-long conference call was held with the auditors. He advised everyone to note the principal payment of \$323,938 per year for the sewer plant project.

Councilman Hackenbracht, Chairman of the Public Services Committee, reported a meeting has been set up tomorrow at the sewer plant for the engineers and everyone associated with the project. The magnesium oxide is a problem.

Councilman Miller, Chairman of the Public Properties & Facilities Committee, reported someone from the Lions Club will sit in on any meetings about the park. He is going to meet with the Moose Lodge to get them on board. A representative from the Lions Club, a representative from the Moose Lodge, and the lady with the insurance company will hopefully have a meeting next month before the Council meeting to discuss the plans.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and second by Councilman Miller to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of November 11, 2008 Meeting and 2- Approval of Time and Materials Contract for Town Hall Generator Installation-\$8698.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Councilman Fadely	None	None
" Hackenbracht		
" Holtzman		
" Miller		
" Shepherd		
" Whetzel		

6 AYE, motion carried.

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Vickie Withers, Finance Director, reported on the Fiscal Year 2008 Audit. An hour long conference call was held with the auditors. The audit went very well. There were few adjusting entries. They were very complimentary on the financial records. They were here for two full days. They gave an unqualified opinion with no findings. There were no deficiencies in internal controls.

There are no operational costs as yet on the new sewer plant. We will probably have those in the second part of the year. The total net assets for all funds increased by 41%. The General Fund balance decreased by \$57,000.00. The Enterprise Fund consists of a 3.6 million dollar sewer plant. Two years ago the Town held a public hearing on the 5-year plan for water and sewer rates. The transfer of \$277,000 to the fire and rescue resulted in a decrease in net assets.

The completion of the Town Visitor Center work had originally been scheduled to occur this year. It should happen in this current year. Town Manager Moore reported budget cuts are hitting cities and counties more than towns.

Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilmember Whetzel to accept and approve the audit report for Fiscal Year 2008.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Councilman Fadely	None	None
" Hackenbracht		
" Holtzman		
" Miller		
" Shepherd		
" Whetzel		

6 AYE, motion carried.

Councilman Miller reported on a request for the fire and rescue for the use of the land and building, he has not received any information.

Mayor Williams reported the Christmas tree and gazebo were decorated by volunteers Joe Lewis and Roger Rudy. We have received many compliments on the tree and gazebo.

Motion by Councilman Miller and second by Councilman Fadely to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

CLERK

MAYOR