

Public Hearing

A public hearing was held by the Mount Jackson Town Council on May 12, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5901 Main Street. The purpose of the hearing was Ordinance O-01-2009 an Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Mount Jackson Adopting Budgets for the General Fund, Utilities Funds, Capital Projects, and Equipment Replacement Funds; Establishing Real and Personal Tax Rates, Establishing Compensation Amounts/Rates, Setting Fees for Water, Sewer, Refuse Services, Auto License Tax, and Other Fees, and Establishing Annual and Specific Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010. Town Manager Moore stated this year's budget is \$100,000 less than last year in the General Fund. We have two less part-time positions. We have deferred some capital expenditures this year. By deferring things, next year will probably be difficult. We have one grant pending in the amount of \$250,000 for the water line repair under the river. There were no comments from the public. The hearing was closed.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mount Jackson Town Council was held on May 12, 2009 immediately following the budget public hearing in Council Chambers at 5901 Main Street. Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: Joseph Williams, Mayor, Neil Fadely, Kenneth Hackenbracht, J. Bucky Miller, Rodney Shepherd, and Kay P. Whetzel, Councilmembers. Absent: Todd Holtzman. Also present: Charles Moore, Town Manager, and Judy Fultz, Clerk. Visitors present: Sarah Lane, Roger Moyer, and Gale Netz.

Motion by Councilman Hackenbracht and second by Councilman Miller to add item #3 Discussion of Wells to New Business.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Mayor Williams reported the apples on the water tower are fading. Town Manager Moore will talk to Karl Schaeffer about the matter.

Town Manager Moore reported the new gazebo is almost finished. They need to put in the steps. The landscaping and water are on two parts of another bid. The elevator for the new building is in another bid. This also includes a stairway. The person in charge of the grant asked for cost estimates. Dale Cupp and Karl Schaeffer are doing the cost estimates. A handicap access is also included in this bid.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Shepherd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported a public hearing was held on the budget. We will vote on the budget at the June meeting.

Councilmember Whetzel, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported Jamie Schoenberger, a teacher at Stonewall Jackson, has been hired as the pool manager. Jerry Weaver had surgery and is doing fine. The Mayor reported he delivered a fruit basket to Jerry Weaver from the Council and employees.

Councilman Miller, Chairman of the Public Properties Committee, reported there will be a meeting with Councilman Shepherd, Councilman Miller and the Fire Department the first Thursday in June. The Lions Club wants to do something at the park.

Motion by Councilman Miller and second by Councilman Fadely to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of April 14, 2009 Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Moore reported on a Special Use Permit application from Sarah Lane of Valley Orthotics for a medical facility that builds artificial limbs and braces to be located at 5421 Main Street. Ms. Lane stated the limbs are designed there and made there.

Motion by Councilman Fadely and second by Councilmember Whetzel to set a joint public hearing for the Special Use Permit application from Valley Orthotics for June 1, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Moore reported the contract for the audit with Robinson, Farmer Cox is up for renewal. They currently have contracts with Strasburg, Woodstock, and

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Shenandoah County, and they have extended their contracts for three years. Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and second by Councilman Miller to approve the extension of the audit contract with Robinson, Farmer Cox for three years at a fee not to exceed \$16,775, \$17,300 and \$17,780 for the fiscal years June 30, 2009, 2010 and 2011 respectively. Fees for Economic Development Authority will not exceed \$1,750, \$1,775 and \$1,800 for the fiscal years June 30, 2009, 2010 and 2011 respectively.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

There was a discussion on the progress of the well. Burner Well Drilling was the low bid for the test well drilling at a cost of \$48,579. We had a state grant of \$25,000 to drill the test well. This well is producing 200 gpm at 380 feet. The nitrate samples are running between 7.51 and 9.24. The State Health Department maximum is 10.0. To remove the grout and casing and develop the well in two stages would be another \$50,000 for a total cost of approximately \$100,000. Spent to date is \$30,700. To finish the well for usable status would be: 6" casing return - credit of \$2500.00, 8" hole and 8" new casing - \$23,400, draw down tests - \$12,000, and grout - \$15,000 for a finished well at a cost of \$78,600. They can drill a test well at the mountain site and not finish it until later. A copy of the test well contract modification is attached to the minutes. Motion by Councilman Miller and second by Councilman Fadely to modify the test well contract and change Well #7 to a finished and completed 8" well and drill a 6" test well at the mountain for \$9600.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and second by Councilman Miller that the Council of the Town of Mount Jackson convene a closed session at 9:20 p.m. under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act under State Code Sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (3) To discuss the acquisition, sale, disposal of or other use of real property for a public purpose.

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Fadely and second by Councilman Miller to return to the regular meeting at 9:35 p. m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried.

Councilmember Whetzel stated the Council of the Town of Mount Jackson hereby certifies by roll call vote, that to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting to which the certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Council of the Town of Mount Jackson.

Vote: Fadely	So Certify
Hackenbracht	" "
Miller	" "
Shepherd	" "
Whetzel	" "
Williams	" "

Ayes - 6, Nays - None, Absent - 1.

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

CLERK

MAYOR

