

Public Hearing  
October 12, 2010

The Town Council of the Town of Mount Jackson continued a public hearing from September 14, 2010 on October 12, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5901 Main Street on the following Ordinances: 1- Ordinance O-06-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-35 “Abatement or Removal of Nuisances” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson, 2- Ordinance O-07-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-69 “Removal or Disposal of Trash, Cutting of Grass and Weeds; Penalty” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson, 3- Ordinance O-08-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-87 “Removal, Repair, Etc. of Buildings and Other Structures” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson, and 4- Ordinance O-09-2010 – Amendment #1 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-88 “Spot Blight Abatement” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

Visitors present – Steve Baker, Tony Das, Gary Kalwaytis, Donna Wolfe, Gerald Forsburg, Mike Ashley, and others.

This hearing was continued from last month to this month due to the response from citizens. Ordinance O-09-2010 was amended. Sec. 22-86 (c) The following was added: **The Town Council shall have the authority to appoint an Advisory Committee, the number and qualifications of which shall be at the discretion of the Town Council, to render advice to the Town Manager in making the preliminary determination that a property is blighted in accordance with this ordinance.** Written notice to the property owners shall be sent by regular mail **And Certified Mail.** The lien on such property shall bear interest at the legal rate of interest established in Virginia Code Section 6.2-330.53 or its successor statute, beginning **Thirty (30) Days After** the repairs are completed to the date on which the lien is paid. In every case of code violation, a letter will be sent and a second letter to get compliance. The Town will try to get things worked out instead of going to court.

There were questions and answers about the Town’s historical district, and if there are any regulations regarding the historical district. In general, there are none. The question was asked if the Council was going to appoint a committee. The Mayor replied the committee would be appointed.

There being no further comments, the hearing was adjourned.

Regular Meeting  
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The regular meeting of the Mount Jackson Town Council was held on October 12, 2010 immediately following the 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, Todd Holtzman, J. Bucky Miller, Rodney Shepherd, and Kay P. Whetzel, Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilman Fadely and second by Councilman Miller to add Item # 4 Reappointment of Betty Luse to the Travel Council Board to the consent agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

6 AYE, motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilman Hackenbracht to move Item #3 Approval of List of Engineers/Architects for On Call/As Needed and add to New Business.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

6 AYE, motion carried.

Steve Baker, with Miss Bates, Mr. Newcomer, and Miss Katherine Royston, made a recycling presentation. The students in the Governors School handled and collected data for recycling. Some of the students set up recycling at Strasburg. Strasburg and Woodstock are trying to get a bid together. They had a power point presentation to make but could not get it to work. They will return and make the presentation at a later date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Shepherd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated during his sick leave time, our Finance Director was working on developing a set of standard journal entries and a procedures calendar with deadlines. The auditors are in house.

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Councilmember Whetzel, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported Chief Hassler had knee surgery – total knee replacement.

Councilman Miller, Chairman of the Public Properties & Facilities Committee, reported Kids Cove is in place. The little league has discussed possibly using the gym. Councilman Miller thanked Randy and his crew for the work at the park.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and second by Councilman Miller to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of September 14, 2010, Regular Meeting, 2- Re-Appointment of Sean Corso as Mount Jackson Representative on the Shenandoah County Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, and 3- Re-Appointment of Betty Luse to the Travel Council Board.

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.

Motion by Councilman Holtzman and second by Councilmember Whetzel to approve Ordinance O-06-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-35 “Abatement or Removal of Nuisances” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

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.

Motion by Councilman Holtzman and second by Councilman Miller to approve Ordinance O-07-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-69 “Removal or Disposal of Trash, Cutting of Grass and Weeds; Penalty” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

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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.

Motion by Councilman Holtzman and second by Councilman Fadely to approve Ordinance O-08-2010 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-87 “Removal, Repair, Etc. of Buildings and Other Structures” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

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.

Motion by Councilman Holtzman and second by Councilman Hackenbracht to approve Ordinance O-09-2010 – Amendment #1 – An Ordinance to Enact a New Section 22-88 “Spot Blight Abatement” of the Code of the Town of Mount Jackson.

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.

Motion by Councilman Hackenbracht and second by Councilman Fadely to submit grant application for additional funds to finish TEA-21 Funded Visitors Center, but delete the stairway from the application.

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

5 AYE, 1 NAY, motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Fadely and second by Councilmember Whetzel to appoint Whitney Miller as a new Planning Commission member effective January 1, 2011.

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.

A discussion was held on the process of interviewing and selecting a list of engineers/architects for on call/as needed. The intent was to pre-select a list of authorized contractors that can be used for small to medium-scale projects. Extremely large projects, such as new wastewater treatment plants, etc. would still be the subject of individually advertised selected processes. The maximum amount of any single project to be authorized at any one time to any of these firms is \$50,000, and the General Guidelines are to be applied in the prioritizing of selection of companies for work. Motion by Councilman Shepherd and second by Councilman Hackenbracht to approve the list of Engineers/Architects for On Call/As Needed.

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.

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

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CLERK

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MAYOR



