

Public Hearing

The Mt. Jackson Town Council held a public hearing on February 8, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5901 Main St. The purpose of the hearing was the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Mayor opened the hearing. A presentation was made by Doug Meredith, LMW Engineering Program Consultant. The following programs are the ones to receive grant money: 1- Ones to benefit low to moderate income, slum and blight, and imminent threat to health. We are planning redevelopment along King St. and other properties on Main Street. We are working on facades. The next step will be a public hearing on March 8th which is the preliminary draft. Later in March we will have a final draft of the plans. The public hearing was adjourned.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mt. Jackson Town Council was held on February 8, 2005 immediately following the public hearing.

Present were: Joseph Williams, Mayor, Kenneth Hackenbracht, Michael Koontz, Rodney Shepherd, and Kay P. Whetzel, Councilmembers. Absent: Todd Holtzman and J. Bucky Miller. Also present: Kathy & Jeff Coffelt, Dale Painter, David Brinegar, Brenda Greever, Bonnie Good, Alex Hofgren, and Mary Embrey.

At 6:30 p.m. the following action was taken: Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and seconded by Councilman Shepherd to go into closed session under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act Sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (3) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiation strategy of the public body. The closed session concluded at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and seconded by Councilman Shepherd to return to the regular meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

Whereas, the Mt. Jackson Town Council convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Mt. Jackson Town Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Mt. Jackson Town Council hereby certifies that

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to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Mt. Jackson Town Council.

Vote: Hackenbracht	So Certify
Koontz	“ “
Shepherd	“ “
Whetzel	“ “
Williams	“ “

Ayes – 5, Nays – None, Absent – Holtzman and Miller.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and seconded by Councilman Koontz to add to the consent agenda #7 Bill from Kappe Associates.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

AYES – 4, ABSENT – 2, motion carried.

Ron Tyson, Luella Clark's son-in law, came to observe the council meeting.

Dale Painter handed out reports from the Rescue Squad. The blood mobile is being held at the Moose Lodge. The Rescue Squad had to stop them at the squad building because of state equipment regulations and traffic problems. They asked to be considered in the budget. The annual turkey and oyster supper is February 26th. The Mayor reported the squad had a call to his neighbor and handled it very professionally.

Mayor Williams reported he as been laid up for 8 weeks due to hip surgery. The Town Manager and council members kept him informed.

Town Manager Moore handed out new maps that were produced. They are in the Visitor's Center.

Councilman Shepherd stated the finance committee will meet next Thursday. There are still some issues with the software.

Councilmember Whetzel introduced new part-time employee Kathy Coffelt and her husband Jeff who is a Woodstock police officer.

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Councilman Hackenbracht reported the engineering design was started the first of the year. Herb Braun and Bill Randel will be here in March.

Councilman Hackenbracht reported on the I & I work. We have a machine on wheels that is checking the sewer lines to detect problems. A lot of this equipment was purchased with grants or was used equipment that has been repaired. The current sewer plant has a capacity of 200,000 gallons a day. Our average is 160,000 gallons and has gone as high as 800,000 gallons a day during a heavy rain.

Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and seconded by Councilman Shepherd to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1- Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2005 Meeting, 2- Approving Sale of 1985 Backhoe to Highest Bidder-Bowman Apple Products, 3- Warren Wittig/Outback, Inc., Alvin Henry (Formerly C & S Auto Sales Site) 215 Conicville Blvd.-Special Use Permit-Auto Sales –Set Joint Public Hearing for March 7, 2005, 7:00 p.m., 4- David Uhl/Pamela Napier, 6000 Main St. (Old Post Office)-Set Joint Public Hearing for March 7, 2005, 7:00 p.m., 5- Ratification of Continuation of Contract with LMW Engineering for CDBG Grant Services, 6- Ordinance O-03-05- Amending Dates for Cut-Off of Service Due to Non-Payment – Set Public Hearing for March 8, 2005, 7:00 p.m., and 7- Bill from Kappe Associates.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

Town Manager Moore stated a joint public hearing was held on Ordinance O-02-2005 Amending Town Code Sections regarding Zoning Proffers. The county and other towns are different. We are working out a mutual agreement. The fees paid would be on the affect on different items. Motion by Councilman Hackenbracht and seconded by Councilmember Whetzel to approve Ordinance O-02-2005.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

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Town Manager Moore reported the State is not going to reimburse for snow removal until the snow reaches 4 inches. They waited last year to call at 4 in. The Town has a policy to start plowing at 2 inches. Motion by Councilmember Whetzel and seconded by Councilman Hackenbracht to continue to start plowing at 2 inches.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

4 AYE, 2 ABSENT, motion carried.

There will be a work session after the meeting with the Comprehensive Plan Update Task Force to discuss the Task Force’s current work and provide input as they prepare the draft of the new Comprehensive Plan.

Motion by Councilman Koontz and seconded by Councilmember Whetzel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

CLERK

MAYOR