

TOWN OF NEWLAND  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 5, 2019  
6:00 PM

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes  
ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers  
ALDERMAN: Kenny Caraway, James C. Johnson, Lauren Turbyfill, Greg Seiz, Dave Calvert  
GUESTS: Phillip Barrier, Claude Buchanan, Bryon Towler, J.R. Buchanan, Casey Turbyfill, Aidan Betz, Carl Blankenship  
STAFF: Lise Meinhardt, Keith Hoilman, Chief Byron Clawson, Michael Fields, Chris Clark, Tammy Gardner

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Mayor then led the audience in the Pledge to the American flag.

James made a motion to accept the proposed agenda. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

James made a motion to accept the January minutes. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

Phillip Barrier thanked the board for the relationship between the Town Mayor, Administrator, clerk and the County. Mr. Barrier explained to the board about having goals for “We are Avery County”. Mr. Barrier stated he did not have a strategic plan for the county and was asking towns for ideals and asked them to submit an ideal on line and to submit achievable goals that they have for all of Avery County. After discussion the Board thanked Phillip Barrier for coming.

Claude Buchanan ask the Town to sponsor him again this year with Newland Main Street Cruise-In. Claude stated the \$250.00 goes to Yellow Mountain and is needed by July. James stated that that was something they budget for. Lise stated it comes out of events. The board thanked Claude.

Bryon Towler explained to the board that they would like to do Cruisin the Square, Avery County Motor Club. Bryon explained it would be all types of vehicles around the square. James stated it was fine, but the square belongs to the County. Bryon explained he has talked with Philip and just wanted to make sure it was alright with the Town. Bryon stated they would like to do a poker run and the proceeds go to a family or someone in need.

There were no public comments.

Chief Byron Clawson gave the police report. Chief Clawson went over the notable calls. Chief Clawson stated Both Officer Clark and Officer Baynard attended basic radar school. Chief Clawson stated that the department had received the new police car and it would be ready for use soon. There were no questions for Chief Clawson.

Lise Meinhardt gave the finance report. Lise stated she had been doing the bank loan transfers and would be moving line items where they would be needed. Lise stated Misty Watson would not be doing the audit this year and asked the board if they wanted to go out for bids. The board stated they did and maybe do a contract. Lise asked about the Qs1 proposal and stated it should cost around \$425 a month and she would check into it some more.

Keith gave the water works and administrator report. Keith stated there was a big leak in front of Wells Fargo that they fixed. Keith stated he had met with Phil Trew about a capital improvement plan. Keith stated that Colby would be attending class for certification. Keith stated James was out until March and Eddie had returned to work. Keith then scheduled a work shop for Saturday February 16, at 8:00 am.

There was no old business.

In new business the Mayor read a letter of resignation from Greg Seiz, alderman, stating he was moving out of the town limits and would not be able to be finish his term as alderman. The board congratulated him and told him how much he was appreciated.

Kenny made a motion to adjourn. Dave seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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Mayor, Valerie Jaynes

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Clerk, Tammy Gardner