

TOWN OF NEWLAND
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
JUNE 6, 2017
6:00 pm

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes
ALDERMAN: Donetta McKinney, Thomas Jackson, Roxanna Roberson,
Kenny Caraway
ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers
GUESTS: Bobby Pyatte, Matt Dubnam, Clara Dickson
STAFF: Lise Meinhardt, Keith Hoilman, Byron Clawson, Crystal Hicks, 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.

Donetta made a motion to approve the minutes for the May meeting. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands.

The mayor then asked Bobby Pyatte to speak. Mr. Pyatte explained that there were things around the parks that needed looked at and fixed. He explained to the board when he walks, there are places on the walk that cause puddles and the kids cannot ride their bikes. He stated the walk is rough to walk on and that the bathroom at Shoemaker Park has no hot water and no way to dry their hands. He explained he would like something there to be able to tie up his dog when he goes into the restroom. He also explained there is paint on the bridge that needs to be cleaned up. The board thanked Mr. Pyatte for bringing this to their attention. They also explained that limited funds keep them from doing a lot he asked for. Alderman Kenny Caraway commended Mr. Pyatte on walking 10 miles a day and stated that he wished he was in that good a shape.

The Mayor then asked for Public Comments. There were no Public Comments.

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Crystal gave the tag report. There were no questions for Crystal. Donetta stated how she had received many compliments on how well the ladies were doing in the tag office.

Lise Meinhardt gave the Finance Report. There were no questions for Lise.

Byron Clawson gave the Police Report. He explained to the board that they have questioned 6 juveniles in concern of the vandalism in the town. He explained how they are still patrolling that area and working hard to prevent any more from happening. There was also a theft that involved a car chase but the merchandise was recovered. Mr. Clawson then asked the boards permission to hire Matthew Lambert as an officer. He feels that he would do a good job. The Board agreed to hire Mr. Lambert. There were no questions for Mr. Clawson.

Keith gave the water report. He stated all was going well. They had to fix a couple of leaks which involved removal of some pavement. He stated how the 4th of July events were coming together very well, and just needed some vendors, would be checking on that when he returned from vacation. Keith told the board he would like to advertise for a full-time position in the public works department, maintenance worker 1. Keith also stated yellow Mountain had started construction on their building. Workshop will be June 19th at 6:00 pm and June 29th for Public hearing on the budget.

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

Donetta made a motion to go into closed session for personnel. Thomas seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands.

When returning from closed session, the Mayor announced that an applicable agreement had been made with Ms. Joleta Wise with the town incurring a loss.

Kenny then explained to the board if they would like to get mums from the man that they got from last year he needed to know soon.

Donetta asked about giving \$2000.00 to the Newland Business Association. The board agreed to wait till after budget is set.

Valerie asked that the August meeting be moved till August 8th. The board agreed. Also, because the July meeting would be on the 4th that was changed till July 11th.

Kenny made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Thomas seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Valerie Jaynes, Mayor

Tammy Gardner, Clerk