

MINUTES

Town of Marshall Board of Alderman

Regular Meeting

August 21st, 2017

Mayor Wallin called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence. Alderman in attendance were Billie Jean Hanie, Aileen Payne, Christaan Ramsey, Laura Ponder-Smith, Mayor Jack Wallin, Deputy Town Clerk Michelle Massey and Town Attorney Jamie Stokes. Alderman Jablonski was absent.

Item 1

Mayor Wallin opened the regular meeting. Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to approve the agenda. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 2

Alderman Ramsey made a motion to approve the July 31st, 2017 and August 17th, 2017 minutes with corrections to July 31st minutes. Alderman Ramsey was not present for the meeting and Alderman Thomas Jablonski was present. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 3

The Water/Sewer Report for the month of July 2017 were presented to the Board. Unaccountable water loss is at 24.4 % for the month.

Item 4

Connie Molland with the Downtown Marshall Association gave the Board a report on the Dog Daze event in August. There were about 60 people and 25 dogs at this year's event. The next event coming up is Veteran's Day and then the Holiday Sale in December.

Item 5

Michelle discussed with the Board the closing of the Wells Fargo branch in Marshall on October 5, 2017. The Town currently has 5 accounts as well as the credit card machine with Wells Fargo. The Town has two options- move the Town accounts to First Citizens on the By-Pass or drive either to Weaverville or Mars Hill to make deposits at least every other day. After discuss among the Board, the Board decided to leave the accounts at Wells Fargo and take the deposits either to Mars Hill or Weaverville for a couple of months to see how that process works and either Michelle take a police car or get paid mileage if she uses her personal vehicle. On days with large cash amounts the on duty police officer could take the deposits. Michelle discussed with the Board the Safe Treat Event for this year. The Board decided to have Safe Treat on October 31, 2017 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Michelle discussed with the Board purchasing various seasonal and welcome banners for the bridge across the river and asked for the Boards opinion on the fonts and wording on some of the banners.

Report from Boards

Board of Adjustments – No meeting

Planning Board – No meeting

Parks and Recreation – No meeting

Department Reports

Fire Department – Tammy reported a total of 22 calls for the month and 1000 gallons of water was used for training. Tammy also wanted the Board to know that the Fire Department responded to 170 more call within the Town limits than last year.

Police Department – Chief Boone presented the monthly police department report and a copy of the report is in packet.

Water Department – Report is in packet

Maintenance Department – Report is in packet

Zoning Department –

Finance Department - Report is in packet

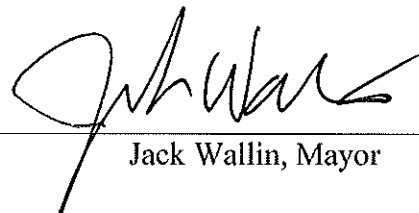
Public Comment – Hollie West – Sweet Monkey Bakery asked the Board to approve the Brunch Bill that allows restaurants to serve beer and wine as early as 10:00 am on Sunday mornings. Jamie Stokes is to draft an Ordinance for the Brunch Bill and bring back to the Board at the next month meeting.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to go into closed session. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved.

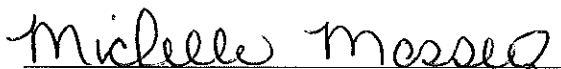
Alderman Ramsey made a motion to return to open session. Alderman Haynie seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion for Town Attorney Jamie Stokes to advertise the Town Administrator/Town Clerk/Zoning Officer as a part time position. Alderman Payne seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.



Jack Wallin, Mayor



Michelle Massey, Deputy Town Clerk