

**Town of Maggie Valley
Special Called Board of Aldermen Meeting
October 1, 2009
MINUTES**

Members Present: Mayor Roger McElroy, Aldermen: Colin Edwards, Saralyn Price, Mark DeMeola, and Phil Aldridge
Staff Present: Manager Tim Barth, Public Works Director Mike Mehaffey, and Town Clerk Vickie Best
Others Present: Scott Pauley, Kathleen Klawitter, Dan Massey, Tammy White and news reporter Bibeka Shrestha

Meeting Called to Order

Mayor McElroy called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Awarding of a Contract to Pave Riverside Villa Drive

The Town of Maggie Valley solicited closed bids for the paving project. The following bids were received.

WNC Paving	\$19,462
Custom Paving	\$19,775

Both companies have worked for the Town in the past and both companies do excellent work.

**ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO AWARD THE BID TO WNC
PAVING.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Consideration of a Request to Provide Sewer Service to a House on Golfview Drive

The Town has received a request to provide sewer to a 5 or 6 bedroom home on Golfview Drive that has been condemned due to only having a 2 bedroom septic tank. In order to connect to municipal sewer, the owners will need to build a collection system that will tie into the sewer at the Maggie Valley Club. There will be approximately 350 feet of gravity sewer and approximately 700 feet of low pressure force main. A small lift station will be installed to serve the house. The owners are paying the expense for the sewer system and will petition for annexation. The Town will assume maintenance of the sewer lines after installation. The pump station will belong and will be maintained by the property owner. The lines will pass 12 other lots. The home is valued at \$493,520.

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLO MADE A MOTION TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL
SEWER TO THE HOME AS DISCUSSED.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Consideration of a Request From Haywood County to Haul Leachate From the White Oak Landfill to the Maggie Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant

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Haywood County has request to haul leachate from the landfill to the WWTP to be treated. The County is requesting to haul up to 50,000 gallons per day. Each load will be hauled by a 6,000 gallon tanker truck. This will create a savings for Haywood County by reducing the route to the Waynesville Treatment Plant. This will provide a source of revenue for the Maggie Valley WWTP.

The Town's engineer has examined samples of the leachate and determined that it would not be harmful to the WWTP. Maggie Valley will have a contract with Haywood County stating that the MVWWTP can suspend accepting the leachate at anytime. The leachate will be tested on a regular basis.

Alderman Aldridge questioned if receiving this additional revenue at the treatment plant could possibly off-set the impact fees. This would allow growth in the commercial district and help residents.

Council will discuss those possibilities after an agreement has been met.

ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO GIVE MANAGER BARTH AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MIKE MEHAFFEY THE AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS FOR THE MAGGIE VALLEY TREATMENT PLANT TO RECEIVE LEACHATE FROM THE HAYWOOD COUNTY LANDFILL.

Ms. Klawitter questioned allowing chemicals to be hauled through Maggie Valley.

Mr. Mehaffey explained that the tanker trucks will be traveling I-40 from White Oak to the lower end of Jonathan Creek. The leachate comes from a cell at the landfill where the under drain is not working properly, therefore the leachate is draining into the settlement ponds. It is estimated that approximately one-half million gallons of water has entered into the cell. In layman's terms, it is garbage juice, and does not impose a danger to Maggie Valley's residents nor does it have a negative impact on the WWTP.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion Regarding the Festival Grounds

Alderman Edwards wanted to discuss the issue due to the recent articles in the newspapers regarding the Town forgiving the debt accumulated by the Festival Grounds. Actually this was a simple change in line items that was recommended by the Town's Auditors. The Festival Ground fund will not make enough revenues to repay the General Fund.

The position for the festival/ events planner needs to be filled as soon as possible. Manager Barth has received five applications to date and has a job description and set goals in place.

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Alderman DeMeola questioned if the EDC should be allowed to weigh in on the issue.

Mayor McElroy responded that he would like several different entities to weigh in on choosing a festival director.

Alderman Edwards gave the example of the Rally in the Valley that received a lot of rain throughout the event. If the BBQ Festival had been held the next weekend, people would have been walking in mud. "We can not book events every weekend. The grounds must have time to be restored."

Mayor McElroy would like to see more winter events.

Council will contact Manager Barth by October 10 a couple of names or businesses that they would like to see sit on the selection committee to screen the applicants. The selection committee members need to have a positive attitude toward the endeavor.

**ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 2:14 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED.**

Roger McElroy, Mayor

Vickie Best, CMC, Town Clerk