

Town of Maggie Valley  
Regularly Scheduled Board of Aldermen Meeting  
October 21, 2008  
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Colin Edwards, Aldermen: Phil Aldridge and Mark DeMeola  
Members Absent: Aldermen: Saralyn Price and Mayor Roger McElroy  
Staff Present: Manager Tim Barth, Public Works Director Mike Mehaffey, Attorney Chuck Dickson, Chief Scott Sutton, and Town Clerk Vickie Best  
Others Present: Three people

1. **Meeting Called to Order.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Town Hall Boardroom.

2. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Tax Releases.
- b. Correction and Approval of Minutes for the October 7, 2008 meeting.

**ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. **Consideration of a resolution in appreciation of the Maggie Valley Bicentennial Committee and Ms Ernestine Upchurch.**

No one from the committee was present. Mayor Pro-Tem Edwards asked that the clerk mail Resolution 08-40 to Ms. UpChurch.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-40  
A RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF THE MAGGIE VALLEY  
BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE AND MS. ERNESTINE UPCHURCH  
FOR REPRESENTING MAGGIE VALLEY IN THIS IMPORTANT  
EVENT.**

**WHEREAS, Haywood County turned 200 years old in 2008; and**

**WHEREAS, Haywood County and Maggie Valley are rich in history and culture; and**

**WHEREAS, the mountain music, crafts, art, and a welcoming attitude has always played a large part in Maggie Valley's history; and**

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**WHEREAS, Jack Setzer with a vision for the future established the first post office for the rural mountain valley; and**

**WHEREAS, many Appalachian families began creating the community that in time would become world renown;**

**SO THEREFORE BE IT DECLARED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY THAT:**

- 1. The Bicentennial Committee along with Ms. Ernestine Edwards UpChurch's leadership was able to make Maggie Valley shine as a community with many historical treasures.**
- 2. A special thanks should be given to the Maggie Valley Bicentennial Committee for their dedication and hard work since 2006, when the planning began.**
- 3. Ms. Ernestine Edwards UpChurch has a knowledge of Haywood County's history that few people could provide, and for that we are thankful to call her one of Maggie Valley's Community Leaders.**

**4. Consideration of a revised Memorandum of Understanding for the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization.**

The French Broad River MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) is made up of Buncombe, Haywood, and Henderson Counties and all of the municipalities within those counties. The MPO is a regional transportation planning organization.

Up until this time the MPO has been staffed by a planner from the City of Asheville, however, it was decided that the staffing for the organization should come from the Land-of-Sky Regional Council. The Memorandum of Understanding, which must be approved by the member governing bodies. The Memorandum of Understanding is a memo from the French Broad River MPO Staff that explains the substantive changes and the action they would like the Town to take.

Alderman DeMeola questioned if the Board had the luxury of waiting until Mayor McElroy and Alderman Price were in attendance.

All members of the MPO must approve the Memorandum of Understanding but it is certain that the Land of Sky Regional Council would be the best to staff the organization.

Planning Director Clark sits on the MPO for Maggie Valley.

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.**

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**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**5. Consideration of advertising in a Resource Guide for the Hospital.**

The Mountaineer Newspaper will be publishing a Resource Guide for Haywood Regional Medical Center. The cost varies from \$120 for a 1/8 vertical advertisement to a full page for \$600.

**ALDERMAN ALDRIDGE MADE A MOTION TO ALLOCATE \$200 FOR A ¼  
PAGE ADVERTISEMENT WITH MANAGER BARTH APPROVING THE  
FINAL DRAFT.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**6. Manager's Report.**

- Manager Barth distributed the Town calendar and the Chamber Calendar of Events for November. Manager Barth distributed the newsletter that was included with the tax bill mailings.
- The Haywood County TDA meeting will be held October 22 at 3:30 p.m. in the Haywood County Extension Office.
- Aldermen Colin Edwards was appointed to the Haywood County Recreation Advisory Committee at the last Haywood County Commissioners Meeting.
- The Planning Board will be conducting a Public Information Meeting on Thursday October 23 at 5:30 p.m. to gather input for the allowed uses within the Community Attraction District (Ghost Town to Mountaineer Crafts).
- During the tax data conversion the 2009 annexation was mistakenly converted. As soon as the clerk began receiving calls a letter was immediately mailed to each resident explaining the error.
- Due to the financial crisis staff believes the town should wait until the spring of 2009 to consider any capital projects taking place at Parham Park. The Planning Director and Manager will be meeting with the engineers next week to discuss flood plain issues and how to place facilities on the Parham Park property.
- Staff will be meeting with McGill and Associates to discuss applying for PARTF funds for Parham Park.

**7. Other Business.**

- Mayor Pro-Tem Edwards called the Chief Scott Sutton and Public Works Director Mike Mehaffey to the front to present certificates from the Loss Control Risk Management for being designated as a Municipal Supervisor-Safety Readiness official.

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- The Federal Government has issued a mandatory theft identity program that is to be developed and implemented by each county and municipality. The deadline is November 1, 2008. Many government agencies are struggling to develop and implement this program in a timely manner.

A continuation of this meeting will need to be set for October 31 at 9:30 a.m. to review Maggie Valley's proposed theft identity program.

**8. Public Comment.**

Chamber Director Lynn Collins thanked the public works department and the police department in helping with the 2008 festival season.

**9. Meeting Adjourned.**

**ON MOTION OF ALDERMAN DEMEOLA, WITH ALL IN FAVOR THE  
MEETING WAS RECESSED UNTIL 9:30 OCTOBER 31, 2008.**

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Mayor Pro-Tem Colin Edwards

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Vickie Best, CMC, Town Clerk

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