

Town of Maggie Valley
Regularly Scheduled Board of Aldermen Meeting
July 15, 2008
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Mayor Roger McElroy, Aldermen: Colin Edwards, Saralyn Price, Mark DeMeola, and Phil Aldridge
Staff Present: Manager Tim Barth, Attorney Chuck Dickson, Planning Director Nathan Clark, Chief Scott Sutton, Public Works Director Mike Mehaffey, and Town Clerk Vickie Best
Others Present: Jim McGaha, Reverend Erma Bond, and Beth Brown

1. **Meeting Called to Order.**

Mayor McElroy called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in the Town Hall Boardroom.

Mayor McElroy asked that the agenda be revised to allow Ms. Brown and Reverend Bond to speak with Council about recycling cans at the Festival Grounds. Council agreed.

2. **Consent Agenda**

a. Certificate of Sufficiency: Charles & Debra Drace, 302 Bridle Drive, #12 Sect. C Horseshoe Cove, Parcel #7697-20-1366, (0.81 acres), Resolution No. 08-32, Setting a date for a Public Hearing on August 5, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

b. Certificate of Sufficiency: Dellwood Baptist Church, 115 Hall Drive, Parcel #8607-11-2306, (4.976 acres), Resolution No. 08-33, Setting a date for a Public Hearing on August 5, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

c. Resolution 08-0-34 to approve financing of the street sweeper the Board agreed to purchase at the July 1 meeting.

d. Correction and Approval of Minutes for the July 1, 2008 meeting.

e. Tax release

ALDERMAN ALDRIDGE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED ADDING TO THE AGENDA THE REQUEST TO RECYCLE CANS AT THE FESTIVAL GROUNDS.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. Brown addressed Council explaining that Maggie Valley United Methodist Church is trying to raise money for the church, the kids program, and the missionaries. The Church has already begun accepting recyclables and would like to expand that idea to include events held at the Festival Grounds. They realize that not all events sell beer and soda in cans, but the ones that do would be a great benefit to the Church as well as to the environment.

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Council expressed their gratitude and commended Reverend Bond and Ms. Brown on their efforts. Public Works Director Mehaffey will assist Reverend Bond with implementing the process.

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLA MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW THE MAGGIE VALLEY METHODIST CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES TO COLLECT RECYCLABLES DURING EVENTS AT THE FESTIVAL GROUNDS.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Consideration of an amendment to engineering contract with McGill Associates on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade and Expansion project.

The original plan was to raise the walls of the existing digesters to provide additional sludge storage capacity. After a structural review was done on the existing walls it was determined that they could not be raised without serious modifications. As a result several other options were evaluated with the most cost-effective being the design and construction of an additional digester. The cost to do the additional work is \$4,900

Alderman Aldridge had concerns about having amendments to a contract. He questioned what good a contract was when continual amendments come about.

**ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT AS PRESENTED.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Consideration of declaring certain property surplus.

The items: eight partitions and a broken copier beyond repair

The items are of no use other than going to the land field. Council asked that staff contact the Salvation Army to see if the items would be of use to them.

**ALDERMAN ALDRIDGE MADE A MOTION TO DECLARE THE ITEMS DISCUSSED SURPLUS.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Consideration of the fee schedule and renting policy for Town Hall facilities and the Pavilion.

After the police department relocated, it became increasingly difficult to rent the building after office hours due to security. Now that the renovations are complete, the security risk is more evident.

Council previously asked staff to revise the rental policy for their review.

After reviewing the rental policy, Council made the following amendments:

1. The pavilion cannot be used for commercial use nor can renters "pass the hat".

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2. The kitchen area will not be included in the rental of said facilities.
3. Staff is to look into the cost of making the pavilion a year-round facility.
4. The Civic Association, Quilt Guild, Greens Fair, and Kids Shopping Spree are the exceptions due to their donations, annual events and asset to the community.
5. The rental deposit will now be \$200. This money will be refunded if the premises are left as they were found.

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL POLICY

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Inside Rates</u>	<u>Outside Rates</u>
Cafeteria Only Meetings (no food) 8 am to 5 pm M-F	\$10.00 per hr.	\$20.00 per hr.
Daily Outdoor Event (Non Commercial) (with rest rooms)	\$100.00 per day	\$150.00 per day
Pavilion Reservation Fee (Non Commercial) (non profit group, club)	\$10.00 per hr.	\$20.00 per hr.

- All reservations are on a first come basis.
- Due to this being a Maggie Valley Community Center, the inside rate will apply to those residents that reside within the corporate limits only. Outside rate applies to all others.
- Full payment is due with the completed signed application and hold harmless agreement.
- Hourly rental- 1 hour prior to event will be allowed for set up. 1 hour after the event will be allowed for cleanup at no charge.
- Reservation fee is refundable if cancelled at least 30 days prior to scheduled event date.
- No group or organization will be allowed to cook in the kitchen or pavilion snack bar with the exception of the Maggie Valley Civic Association. All foods must be prepared off sight and Town facilities used for serving, warming or catering only.
- The pavilion and cafeteria are rented on a one (1) day only basis other than large special events with the exception of the annual Quilt Show, Kid's Shopping Spree and Green's Fair.
- Large special events are limited to Saturday, Sunday and holidays with set up allowed after 5:00 p.m. the day before the event to prevent inconvenience and disruption to Town Hall, Senior Center, and Library.
- Any Group sponsoring an event that requires clean up, extra supplies or extra garbage service will be asked to pay a "service fee" based on actual cost of service and supplies.

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**ALDERMAN PRICE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RENTAL POLICY
FOR THE TOWN HALL FACILITIES WITH CHANGES TO BE MADE AS
DISCUSSED.**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. **Manager's Report.**

- The Region A annual dinner will be held July 23, 2008 in Cherokee. Council is encouraged to attend.
- The North Carolina League of Municipalities Annual Convention will be held in Charlotte, NC October 12 thru the 14th. Council was encouraged to contact the clerk if they are planning to attend so that registration and reservations may be made.
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7. **Other Business.**

There was no other business to discuss.

8. **Public Comment.**

Mr. Jim McGaha addressed the Board stating that the Maggie Valley Police Department had better stop harassing his grandson, John Mark Evans. Mr. McGaha alleged that his grandson had been stopped twenty-eight times and given three tickets. Mr. McGaha made it clear that he now despises the Maggie Valley Police Department and Chief Sutton.

Mr. McGaha stated that this was the last warning. Leave his grandson alone.

9. **Closed Session – Personnel Matter.**

**ALDERMAN EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION
TO DISCUSS AN ONGOING CASE AT 6:04 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLA MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF CLOSED
SESSION AT 6:23 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ALDERMAN PRICE MADE A MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION AT
6:25 P.M. TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLA MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF CLOSED
SESSION AT 6:38 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ALDERMAN DEMEOLA MADE A MOTION TO GIVE MANAGER BARTH
THE COST OF LIVING RAISE AND A 2% MERIT RAISE.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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10. **Meeting Adjourned.**

**ALDERMAN PRICE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 6:47 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Roger McElroy

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Vickie Best, CMC, Town Clerk

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