

The Rural Retreat Town Council held a regular meeting on July 24, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rural Retreat Town Hall Council Chambers.

PRESENT RURAL RETREAT TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Timothy Litz
Vice-Mayor Jim Lloyd
Ed Schaack

Scott Mecimore
Jerrell Hall

ABSENT

Keith Crigger
Dale Yontz

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Raymond Matney, Town Manager
Lori Guynn, Clerk/Treasurer

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT

Robert Lewis, Police Chief

OTHERS PRESENT

NONE

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Litz called the meeting to order and determined the presence of a quorum.

INVOCATION

The invocation was delivered by Rev. Geary Jonas.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Litz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Scott Mecimore, seconded by Vice-Mayor Jim Lloyd to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2007 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN'S TIME

NONE

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CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

POLICE REPORT

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WEB GIS – This item will be readdressed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

DONATION OF TOWN PHOTOGRAPH – Bob Harrison and Nancy Demory, owners of Mountain Empire Photography Service has taken an aerial photograph of the Town and donated a copy to the Town. This picture will also be available for sale to the public.

HERITAGE DAYS ENTERTAINMENT – Vice-Mayor Lloyd stated changes had been made to the entertainment lineup. Cross Thread will now be performing at 4:00 p.m. at a cost of \$300. The sound system obtained will be in use in the entertainment tent so a system is needed for the opening ceremonies. Bud Pollard has agreed to allow us to use his sound system for \$100.

A detailed list of entertainers and the cost for each was presented to the Council for approval. A motion was made by Councilmember Mecimore to approve the revised entertainment list for a total cost of \$2,750. Councilmember Schaack seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with the three (3) voting in favor: Scott Mecimore, Ed Schaack, and Jerrell Hall. One (1) abstained: Jim Lloyd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Operations and Maintenance Committee Chairperson Jerrell Hall stated he is pursuing other information in regards to repairing the floor at the Fire Department building.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager's report is attached and is hereby made a part of these minutes. The following items were discussed and/or acted upon:

CLARIFIERS REHABILITATION PROJECT – The construction contract has been signed with D.E. Eakin & Son, Inc. A pre-construction conference will be held next week. This project is expected to take approximately two weeks.

Mr. Matney stated he had previously brought forth to Council the possible replacement of the comminutor which grinds the raw sewage that enters into the plant. This device has been torn up

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for approximately two months in which a mechanical bar screen is being used. The mechanical bar screen has a space in it that allows solid materials through without being broken up. Mr. Matney further stated that several options are being researched to correct this problem in which he hoped to have the necessary information by the next meeting. The approximate cost is \$75,000 - \$125,000.

SALT WATER TREATMENT – The group that now has the maintenance contract for the interstate has asked if the Town would continue to treat salt water for them. Mr. Matney stated this has produced additional revenue and he foreseen no problems in continuing the treatment of the salt water.

JOINT GOVERNING BODIES MEETING – The next Joint Governing Bodies Meeting will be held on Monday, July 30, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rural Retreat Town Council Chambers.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The bills were read and approved for July 24, 2007.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mayor Litz stated he needed someone to attend the Talk of the Town program with Danny Gordon at the WYVE/WXBX radio station. Mr. Matney stated he would attend.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Litz.

Mayor

Clerk