

I. Regular Meeting Hedgesville Town Council held in Naylor Hall on 5JUL06. Meeting called to order by Mayor Mason at 7:30PM. Pledge of allegiance said. Present are Mayor Mason, Recorder Miskovsky, Councilor Catlett, Councilor Hengemihle, Councilor Gano, Councilor Poisal, Treasurer Small and committer member Kenneth Barney, Lauren Hough (from The Journal), Mathew Umstead (from the Morning Herald), State Senator John Unger, Roy Small, and Kristen Nelson. Councilor Young is absent.

II. Minutes ~~read for Minutes~~ from 7JUN06 regular read and minutes approved with correction that 5 May meeting was regular meeting not levy meeting. Motion to accept minutes with corrections Hengemihle Second by Poisal. Approved with corrections.

III. Mayor's report—Treasurer has asked to withdrawn her resignation. Mayor Mason hands out annual salary checks with letter of appreciation. Allegheny Power installation number is correct. HOME asked for certified document ^{from} Recorder. Naylor roof still open item since Councilor Young is absent. Mayor to follow up on all grants applied. ^{for} Mayor has met once with Kerry Lamp of Board of Zoning Appeals. Magistrate Court to be used for unpaid inspections fees. Recorder has started work on new B&O ordinance, which will be reviewed by Fred Williams at Steptoe-Johnson, using Martinsburg ordinance worked on by WVML as the example. Berkeley County Library need to contact Planning Commission.

Mayor suspends regular order with no objections and asks Councilor Catlett introduces Senator John Unger. Senator Unger says the November sessions will address tax modernization and availability of municipalities to have other sources of revenue. He will start his walking campaign across his district at the Hedgesville Volunteer Fire Department tomorrow and end in Harpers Ferry. He started EP People Empowerment Coalition 8 years ago to address four issues-- Farmland Protection Board, increased penalties littering, strengthening DUI laws and recent school safety issues addressed by the county. He wants to continue this idea to hear the people's solutions. The State Tax Office is scheduled to meet in the Eastern Panhandle like the arrangement for Public Service Commissioners to meet with local city and county officials.

Recorder's report—HOME consortium document provided. Pendleton sent certified jeopardy ⁸ assessment of B&O taxes after six months of negotiations through Steptoe-Johnson. July has deadlines for Budget Revisions to both accounts. Draft copy of new B&O ordinance based on Martinsburg work with WVML is available.

IV. Finance Committee—General Fund beginning balance 31MAY \$328,594.35. Deposits total \$4,209.50 including \$2,706.99 wine & liquor tax. Total expenses \$10,423.12 including \$5,350.00 official salaries. Ending balance as of 31MAY06 \$322,380.73. Coal Severance Fund balance of 31MAY06 \$312.51. Deposit \$213.18 Ending balance \$525.69. Credit card applied for at BB&T with no cash access, no check access with \$5000 limit divided between cards for Mayor, Treasurer and Recorder as recommend by auditor Jamie Davis. Three CDs bought at BCT for Rainy Day Fund: \$15,000 3 month, \$10,000 6 months, and \$10,000 12 months.

Board of Zoning Appeals—no report

Planning Commission—Councilor Hengemihle—recommendation to change sections of ordinance on satellite dishes and Board of Zoning Appeals membership.

V. Committees—Street Maintenance/Public Works—Councilor Young absent—Mayor will revisit estimate on Parlor Street since it did not comport with motion passed at last meeting. Towing if street is blocked after notice posted on vehicle, signed by Mayor, after 24 hours until No Parking signs are posted.

Ordinance/Trees—Councilor Catlett—Contacted Karen Huff at Telecom with help on home repairs and only thing now available are low interest loans. In the fall a grant will be available. Talked to Mike Smith about Angus request for refund and demolition. Motion for another hearing with another magistrate was denied. Fine awarded is now a lien recorded on deed. Mike Smith will respond to requests. Deputy Reserves submitted another block of hours and a check for \$720 is to be sent. Catlett resigns from committee due to misinformation over ordinance enforcement, and may participate in Finance. Mayor calls a special meeting on 9 August for further discussions.

Community Activities/Special Projects—Councilor Gano—Waste Management is donating monies for blue and white banner, ~~and new flags~~. Banner will be a month to six weeks away

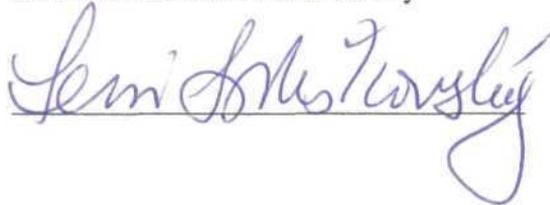
Economic Development/Business Committee—Chair Kenneth Barney—first meeting on 15 June attended by Councilors Catlett, Hengemihle and Poisal, Recorder Miskovsky. Guests were Dennis Hedges, Kristen Nelson, Robert Izes, Roy and Barb Small, Lee Badger, Lea Bitner and Cheryl Young. Recommendations are adjustment of B&O ordinance, welcoming committee, town hall sign, index of ordinances, and marketing of town. Council Poisal was also appointed a member. Next meeting will 16 August.

VI. Unfinished Business—none

VII. New Business—Hengemihle will look into repainting of existing and additional signs at Town entrances. Resolution to amend Zoning Ordinance Section 801.1 “members of board of appeals must be registered resident for at least three years preceding the time of their appointment.” Motion to amend by Miskovsky to drop word register. Second by Hengemihle. Amendment to motion passes 6-0. Mayor calls the question. Vote to accept resolution is 5-0 with Catlett abstain.

Councilor Poisal motions to adjourn and gets a second by Councilor Hengemihle. Mayor Mason adjourns meeting at 9:10PM with no objections.

Submitted Recorder Miskovsky



Approved Mayor Mason

