

Minutes for the Meeting
July 21, 2014
5:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Old Fort Board of Alderman was held in the board room of the Old Fort Town Hall on July 21, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Governing Board Members present: Mayor Rick Hensley, Alderman Charlie Pyles, Norman Logan, Greg Piercy, Melvin Lytle, and Wayne Stafford arrived at 5:38.

Staff Members present: Renee' Taylor (Finance Officer/Town Clerk)

Visitors: Rick & Debbie Acrivos, Kim Combs, Kelly Coons, Tonia Hampton, Barbara Willis, Wayne & Michelle Roland, Bill Mace, Linda Sutton, Anna Roland, Emily Roland, Rachel Taylor, Lucy Evans, Patrick Bagwell, Howard Moore, Art Beaulier, David Fretwell, Romana Effler, Jane Robinson, Ron Baster, Mike Simmons, Debbie & Bill Bach, Mike Conely (with the McDowell News) Carroll Miller, Calvin Philbeck, Steven Schall, Marty Schall

Meeting was opened by: Mayor Rick Hensley

Prayer: Opening prayer was led by Alderman Norman Logan

Pledge of Allegiance: Alderman Charlie Pyles led the pledge of allegiance

Approve the Minutes:

Alderman Melvin Lytle made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 4-0 vote.

Approve the Invoices:

Alderman Greg Piercy made the motion to approve the invoices. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 4-0 vote.

Public Comments:

Wayne Roland, president of Old Fort Mountain Music, along with Michelle Roland and Barbara Willis spoke to the Board on behalf of Old Fort Mountain Music not sharing the building with no one else due to the cost of the equipment they have in the building. There were several other visitors who spoke in favor of the Old Fort Mountain Music.

Art Beaulier spoke to the board with a business concern.

Rick Acrivos developer and maintainer of the Old Fort web site informed all in the room that any events or announcements that need to be added to web site to please call or email him.

Old Business:

Alderman Charlie Pyles made the motion the Town to resend the current lease with the Old Fort Mountain Music group and have a new lease written. Alderman Norman Logan seconded this motion, and was approved in a 4-1 vote opposing vote was Wayne Stafford.

Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion to go ahead and fix the roofs on the Police Department, Rockett Building and the Old Fort Chamber Building. Take the funds from General Fund to pay for the repairs. Alderman Melvin Lytle seconded this motion, and was approved in a 3-2 vote. Opposing votes were Alderman Charlie Pyles and Greg Piercy.

Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion for the Town to buy what equipment is needed to cut the right of ways in the Town. This is to be paid for out of Powell Bill Fund. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

New Business:

Alderman Charlie Pyles made the motion adopt the ordinance with the North Carolina Department of Commerce for their assistance in helping the Planning Board. Alderman Melvin Lytle seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Alderman Charlie Pyles made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm. Alderman Greg Piercy seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Mayor Town of Old Fort

ATTEST:

Town Clerk/Finance Officer