# Minutes for the Meeting November 10, 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 November 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

<u>Governing Board Members present:</u> Mayor Rick Hensley, Alderman Charlie Pyles, Norman Logan, Greg Piercy, Melvin Lytle, and Wayne Stafford who entered the meeting a 5:35pm.

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

<u>Visitors:</u> Mike Simmons, Harry Carroll, Rick & Debbie Acrivos, Tonia Hampton, Kelly & Teresa Coons, Mike & Monica Walker, Debbie Bach, David Johnson, Donald Effler, Keith Hall, Ginny Rhodes with the McDowell News, Jane Robinson, Kim Combs

Meeting was opened by: Mayor Rick Hensley

**<u>Prayer:</u>** 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 Greg Piercy 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.

Alderman Wayne Stafford arrived to the meeting.

Carol Avery with Lowdermilk Church and Company present the board with the Town audit for 2013-2014. She discussed the highlights and was no questions for her at this time.

### **Public Comments:**

David Johnson with United Community Church approached the board asking to rent the Rockett Building for six months on Sundays for church services morning and night. He would like a contract drawn up that they will not be responsible for utilities and that they will have the right to rent it for six more months at the end of the first six months. Alderman Melvin Lytle made the motion to rent the building to them and have a contract made for them and the mayor to sign. Alderman Greg Piercy seconded this motion and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Rick Acrivos gave the board of alderman a copy of a definition of fence to be adopted for an amendment to the Litter Ordinance. Alderman Charlie Pyles made a motion to approve the amendment. Alderman Melvin Lytle seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Mike Simmons a member of planning board gave the alderman a list of possible sightings in the Town that are in possible violation of the litter ordinance. The list contained residential and commercial property. The Chief of Police Melvin Lytle said he would see to it that all are given a copy of the ordinance and let them know they could be in violation. Some of the residents cannot afford to have their property cleaned up so some people at the meeting said they would volunteer to help these residents. Mike Walker, Wayne Stafford and Tonia Hampton would like to volunteers.

Mayor Rick Hensley informed the board that the lighting committee in eight months of fund raisers they have raised \$6900.00

November 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm will be the turning on of the Christmas lights.

## **Old Business:**

Town Clerk/Finance Officer

There was some discussion on the roof and heating units for the Police Department. Alderman Melvin Lytle made the motion to table the discussion until more bids can be obtained for the cost of the heating units. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Alderman Charlie Pyles made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38pm. Alderman Melvin Lytle seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

The December board meeting will be December 8 <sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.				
Adopted this day December 2014.				
	Mayor Town of Old Fort			
ATTEST:				