

The regular monthly meeting of the Jarratt Town Council met on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at 7:00 P.M., at the Town Municipal Building. Members present Mayor Kenneth Warf, Cecil McCoy, James M. Wyche, Omar Smith, Annie Peavy, Roderic Tuell, and M. B. Rideout.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth Warf.

Prayer was led by Mr. James M. Wyche.

Agenda

Without objection, agenda approved as submitted.

Minutes

Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Public Hearing Property at the location of 118 Jarratt Avenue, Jarratt, Virginia.

The Mayor opened the floor for comments concerning the vacant building, Mrs. Melanie Wilson shared concerns on the cleaning of the building. Mrs. Wilson suggested looking at all the options of selling the property or leasing. Resident Michael Parker expressed the need to keep the downtown vibrant, his opinion of selling is that the Town would be taking a big risk; with leasing, at least the Town would have some control. Council member James M. Wyche made the motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Council member Annie Peavy. Motion Carried.

Citizen Comments

Kurt Whitehead explained that he had spoken with David Yoder, of Pineview Nursery, about five crepe myrtles to be planted by the entrance coming into the Town of Jarratt. Mr. Whitehead was asking for Council approval and for the Town to please give Mr. Yoder a public thank you. Mr. Whitehead suggested that we have a community day, focusing on cleaning up our community. He said that trash is an issue, especially after the weekend. He questioned the revision of the budget. Mr. Whitehead suggested that a citizen should be added to the Town finance committee.

Resident Melanie Wilson raised questions about the property where the crepe myrtle would be planted, the annexation of Johns Manville Clubhouse, the Spring Fling, the Easter Egg Hunt, a forensic audit, and offered suggestions and contacts about these subjects.

Committee Reports

The financial report was given.

Old Business

The Golf Cart Ordinance passed. The Mayor said that necessary steps would be taken in order to hold a public hearing, and the golf cart ordinance would be effective July 1, 2017.

The Mayor stated that Mrs. Wilson names and contact for an audit would be taken in consideration.

New Business

Mrs. Annie Peavy made a motion that on April 8, 2017, at Johns Manville Clubhouse, an Easter Egg Hunt and activities will be held, seconded by Omar Smith. Motion Carried.

The 2nd Annual Outreach Fall Festival, will be held, Saturday, October 21, 2017.

JRA Day will be held May 13, 2017.

Closed Session

Mayor Warf called the meeting into closed session according to the Code of Virginia 2.2-§ 3711(A) 3 relating to disposition of real estate property.

The Mayor and Council returned to reopen.

The Mayor asked Council if the closed session consisted only of the purpose intended.

Omar Smith- Yes

Annie Peavy-Yes

Cecil McCoy-Yes

James M. Wyche-Yes

Roderic Tuell-Yes

M. B. Rideout- Yes

Omar Smith made the motion that the building located at 118 Jarratt Avenue, would be leased out as a restaurant and a public proposal would be given through March 31, 2017, seconded by Annie Peavy. Unanimously carried by Council.

Miscellaneous

The Mayor acknowledged that along with Mrs. Peavy, on March 11, 2017, they attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Amazing Grace Worship Center, located at 110 Jarratt Avenue, Rev. Mary Hill is the Pastor.

Neighborhood Watch will be held, Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at the Jarratt Volunteer Fire Department, at 7:00 P.M.

Having no further business, Mr. Cecil McCoy made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. James M. Wyche. Motion carried.

Kenneth Warf Mayor

Wanda Manning-Fikes Clerk