Town of Dungannon
***Town Council Minutes***July 7th , 2014

**PRESENT:**  Debra Horne, Melissa Hunt, Wes Adams, Andy Lawson, George Hensley, James Lane, Greg Baker, Jordan Nickels, Travis Perry and Renee Adams.

Debra called the meeting to order and led the Pledge, George led in prayer.
Renee read the minutes from the June 2nd, 2014 meeting, George made a motion to approve the June minutes, Wes seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Travis Perry, Director of DDC was present to inform council that the fire hydrant next to the DDC property has not worked in over a year. He has several volunteers coming in this summer; with the fire hydrant being inoperable it creates a safety hazard.
Travis also mentioned that in November or December of 2010 he was told he would have to either pay 75.00 extra each month on the Thrift Store’s water bill or pay 750.00 to have a smaller meter installed. On December 12th, 2010 Travis paid the 750.00, but the meter has still not been changed.

Jordan Nickels asked if was up to the Town or VDOT to have the ditches cleaned. With any amount of rain, the Town floods. Debra stated that she wrote a letter to Aubrey Layne dated June 18, 2014. At a later date Allen Sumpter called and told Debra that the Town did not have a “blue” card, but he will get a blue card for the Town and start on the ditches within the month. Debra also asked him if the Town could be mowed before the 4th of July.

**MAYOR’S UPDATES** Debra thanked George for digging the ditch at the water tank and picking up trash on the 4th of July and after. She thanked James for fixing the swing on the playground, working at the water tank and lining up the parade. Debra thanked Wes for hanging flags and picking up the fireworks and Andy for asking the VFW to come be part of our 4th of July with the beautiful flag ceremony, and for selling t-shirt and chances on the quilt. Debra thanked Melissa for getting the flowers and planting them, for taking up money for the wrist bands and helping with the 4th of July.

Cathy Hall, the lady on back street with the dogs, has no electricity and due to an un-paid water bill no water. They have tried to rake up the dog lot; Debra feels they are making an effort. Maria with Scott Co. Social Services went to the home but was unable to stay due to dogs lunging at her through the door. Maria also visited with Nina, according the Maria, as long as, Nina is coherent and seems in good condition we cannot have her removed from her property unless it is due to her living in a business establishment

The Town has applied for a revitalization grant through DHCD; right now we have 6 tasks to complete by the first of August. There is a Team management meeting coming up on Thursday July 10th at 6:00pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Melissa will get the pictures of properties in need of cleaning before the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS** The Town was re-instated in the FEMA Floodplain Insurance program as of June 17, 2014. Debra asked all council for signatures so the necessary documentation can be sent to Charlie Bank.

**COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS** Wes said he feels the Town should make a donation to Ft. Blackmore’s Volunteer Fire Dept. for setting off the 4th of July fireworks for the past two years. Wes made a motion to donate 100.00 to Ft. Blackmore’s fire dept., George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Andy asked about the old Osborne store building, he said Larry Beavers was told he could have the building if he tore it down. He didn’t know the Town was interested in it. Larry said he would give the Town an estimate to tear down the building.

Debra went over the new Committees for the 2014-2016 term.

George said he feels all contract labor & mowing should be approved by the Mayor.

George and Debra welcomed James Lane to the council.

Debra asked council to appoint a Vice-Mayor, she said it was up to them, but she would like to suggest George Hensley. Wes asked George if he was interested. After saying he would be willing to take the Vice-mayor position, Wes made a motion to appoint George Hensley as Vice-Mayor, James second the motion, Andy voted against due to conflict with the Town’s charter, he said our charter does not call for a Vice-mayor. Wes said that our charter is accepted by the State Board of Elections; George said he has been on council for over 20 years and we have always had a Vice-mayor. With the three votes in favor the motion was approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** After council reviewed June’s financial report, Wes made a motion to approve the Financial Report, Andy second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** At 6:50pm, George made a motion to adjourn the meeting, James second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Minutes taken and submitted by

Renee Adams