***Dungannon Town Council Minutes*** JUNE 6TH, 2016

**PRESENT:** Debra Horne, Jordan Nickels, George Hensley, James Lane, Jerry Strong, Judy Blevins, Melissa Hunt, Jeff Hunt, Fred Nickels, Norma Hensley Beth Hensley, Carol Lucas, Kathy Asbury, Miranda Hunt, Kristy Farmer.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** For proposed budget for 2016-2017. Jeff wanted a detailed report breakdown of the budget

Jordan told him he could have it after the meeting Jeff did not want to wait council put off voting on budget until later in the meeting.

Debra called the meeting to order and led the Pledge, George led in Prayer. Terrina read the May 9th, minutes, with no corrections or amendments. Jordon made a motion to approve the minutes as read, James seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: Jerry Strong wanted to know if there was an easement on Doug Perry or Duke Osbornes land.

James did not know for sure, Fred said the records were so far back did not know if they could be found. George said there probably was at one time but there is no road now. Jeff asked about the same. Jerry said the land survey he had done puts him in Dukes front yard.

Jeff wanted to know why Terrina voted if she is not in town, Mayor said the election board said Terrina is in town.

Miranda mentioned Jerry needed to go to the court house for access to his property.

Jerry wanted to know why the Stidham family were working for water plant. Mayor told him Jim works the sewer plant and Aneisha works the water plant.

Jeff wanted to know about fire safety in new town hall. Jeff also wants to move town hall back to old depot building.

Kathy Asbury spoke up and said she was agitated and having heart palpitations during the comments by Jeff being so forceful and loud that she wasn’t able to talk about why she came to the meeting. Mayor stepped in and discussed the pit bulls that were attacking other animals and people. Kathy’s dog was attacked and had to have surgery, also she barely got herself and her dog in the house. Melissa said Jeff got bitten by Shirley Brogden’s dogs on Saturday the fourth then they came after her. Kathy said if they usually keep the pit bulls under control she doesn’t expect any monetary reimbursement just wants to know that they will be kept up.

Jordan suggests that the town attorney write a letter and send to the two residents if anything else happens they will be fined. Mayor Horne and her husband have also been bitten by Shirley Brogden’s dogs.

Carol Lucas wants the council to check the lot beside of her to see if it’s legal for her neighbor to have a camper on his property. Council said if it’s not a permanent structure he has every right to have it there but they will check to make sure. Council also said campers are not allowed on front street which his property is not. Melissa will check distance between properties. The Mayor also said the town lawyer said they can’t stop him as long as he is within the limits allowed.

Judy wants the lobby cleaned and offered to help, Mayor said she would handle it. Melissa asked if they talked about fixing the carpet. Kathy said post office should help and New Peoples bank.

Fred asked about PSA meeting it was postponed until July because representatives couldn’t be here. Mayor closed public comments at 6:45. The Mayor explained that from then on it was town business with no interruptions from the public. Fred wanted to know why the law was here.

**MAYOR’S UPDATES:** None

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**FINANCIAL REPORT:**  After council reviewed the May 9th, 2016 financial report, James made a motion to approve the report, Jordan seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**:

**NEW BUSINESS**: Mayor stated that a couple wants to buy Bob Hoffman’s property to put a trailer on. James stated it would have to be decent not like what was there before. Jordan said it requires permits and town committee to go out and check. George wants pictures of the home.

Mayor mentioned VACORP insurance is it feasible without environmental coverage. Council decided to not get it.

Jordan made a motion to accept the proposed budget. George seconded. Jordan made a motion to go into executive session, George seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Jordan made a motion to return to regular session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Jordan made a motion pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711-A to go into closed session to discuss hiring a town clerk. Melissa yes, Jordan yes, George yes, James yes.

Jordan made a motion to return to open session, James seconded the motion, council unanimously approved to certify to the best of each member’s knowledge only legal or personnel matters lawfully exempt from open session requirements pursuant to Virginia code 2.2-3711-A were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body. Roll call vote; Melissa- yes, Jordan- yes, George- yes, James- yes, (Wes not present). Jordan made a motion to hire Terrina as town clerk at $8.00 an hour with ninety day probationary period James seconded the motion and all voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS :** Melissa made motion for the Mayor to check on Ronald Estep’s property to see if he needed to pay town taxes on his property.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**: NONE.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:11 pm, James made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jordan seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Taken and written by: Terrina ward