Town of Dungannon
***Town Council Minutes***August 4th , 2014

**PRESENT:**  Debra Horne, Wes Adams, George Hensley, James Lane, Greg Baker, Jordan Nickels, Barbara Hubbard, Bill Salling, Mathew Hepler, Willie Dodson and Renee Adams.
Absent: Melissa Hunt, Andy Lawson

Debra called the meeting to order and led the Pledge, George led in prayer.
Renee read the minutes from the July 7th, 2014 meeting, James made a motion to approve the July minutes, Wes seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Willie Dodson with Clinch River Valley Initiative and Mathew Hepler addressed council about the possibility of having a square dance or some type of musical event at the Depot, for the purpose of raising money for some needed Depot repairs. Wes said he would rather we have a full council to make a definite decision, however it was tentatively scheduled for the 3rd Saturday in September.

Bill Salling was present to let council know that he would still work for the Town as back-hoe operator, but he’d like to be guaranteed 4hrs, each time he comes out to work, plus raising his fee from $30.00 an hour to $50.00, this is in addition to the Town paying the insurance on his equipment which is about $1150.00.

**MAYOR’S UPDATES** Cathy Hall came to the Town Hall and spoke at length with Debra about the dog lot. She has been trying to rake up the mess in the dog lot, they’ve had some weeds cut down and someone is going to remove the trash. They have a total of 15 dogs now, 8 of which are puppies. James asked if with that many dogs does she have a kennel license. Debra feels Ms. Hall is still making an effort to clean up.

**NEW BUSINESS:** With new council members recently taking office, it is necessary to add an additional signature to our checking accounts. Wes made a motion to add James Lane as that addition, George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

The decision to accept Andy’s resignation was tabled until the September meeting when we have a full council.

George spoke with Mike Okeefer; he said he would be interested in helping out as a maintenance person anytime. Wes made a motion to approach Mike regarding the maintenance position. George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Since the Town has recently been using the Depot for revitalization meetings, as well as, the 4th of July, several residents have asked about renting the Depot again. George said as long as we don’t start losing money, due to cost of the power bills, it would be all right. Wes made a motion to start renting the Depot again to the public. James second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Andy Miles was approached by Ray Whitner with Virginia Depart of Health regarding the violation against the water tank. A grant is now available to assist with planning and design. If we apply for the planning grant, we would get extra points in our favor when construction grants come available. Since we’ve been aware of the water tank violation for some time and with no other means to repair it, Wes made a motion to let Andy Miles apply for the grant. George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**EXEUCTIVE SESSION:** James made a motion pursuant to Virginia code 2.2-3711-A to go into closed session to discuss matters regarding personnel; Wes second the motion, all council voted in favor.

Wes made motion to return to open session; James second the motion, council unanimously approve 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; George-yes, Wes-yes, James-yes.

Council decided to extend Bill’s contract until the next meeting when we will have a full council to make a decision on the contract. Renee will call Scott County Farm Bureau to see about paying the equipment insurance just through the month of August.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**; After council had time to review the July 2014 Financial report, James made a motion to approve the report, George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**; at 7:07pm James made a motion to adjourn the meeting, George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Minutes taken and submitted by

Renee Adams