Town of Dungannon
***Town Council Minutes***November 3rd , 2014

**PRESENT:**  Debra Horne, Melissa Hunt, Wes Adams, James Lane, George Hensley, Larry Beavers, Jordan Nickels, and Renee Adams.

Debra called the meeting to order and led the Pledge, Debra asked Melissa to lead in prayer.
Renee read the minutes from the October, 2014 Town council meeting, James made a motion to approve the October minutes, Wes seconded the motion, Melissa voted in favor, George abstained due to absence. With three votes in favor the motion was carried.
James made a motion to amend the September minutes and a motion he made; to state that Ray and Judy will be paid for hours already worked. But after that no extra hours will be paid to salary employees, but rather given comp time. Wes seconded the motion, George voted in favor, Melissa abstained. With three votes in favor the motion was carried.

 **PUBLIC COMMENT**: Larry Beavers asked about the blighted area around the school. Debra wrote a letter to the school board but hasn’t received a response.
Larry will be cleaning the Santa Train stop the week before the train arrives, he asked about the trash that was dumped there. Jake Daugherty has been contacted on several occasions. Larry said if he had to, he would pick up the trash before the Santa Train.
First Baptist church will be preparing and serving Thanksgiving dinner from 11:00-12:00 on Thanksgiving Day. All are welcome to attend.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Greg Baker will have some information on Cathy Hall’s property. Wes said he felt we couldn’t pick and choose which ordinances to enforce and which to let “fall through the cracks”. Melissa asked how the sheriff’s office can give tickets for speeding or drunk driving in Town limits but not violations of Town ordinances. Council requested that Sheriff Puckett attend the December council meeting. Jordan Nickels asked about a volunteer Town policeman.
Melissa said the basketball goal is still a work in process; Eugene McClellan gave us a basketball goal with backboard.
Greg Baker is still checking on “No Parking Signs”
Melissa brought to council’s attention that there was a mistake in the July 2014 minutes regarding the water meter at the Thrift Store. The July 2014 minutes should reflect the original motion made in November 2010 to read as such: The Thrift Store would have to either pay 75.00 extra each month on the Thrift Store’s water bill or pay 750.00. Then if and when the time came that the meter needed to be replaced, there would be no additional charge to the Thrift Store. On December 12th, 2010 Travis paid the 750.00. Wes made a motion to amend the July 2014 minutes to reflect the original minutes of November 2010. Melissa second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**NEW BUSINESS** Council discussed having a Holiday Dinner at the December meeting. Council and employees can bring side dishes and we’ll purchase a turkey and ham.

Aaron Hess with Virginia Department of Health met with Ray and Debra, one of his suggestions was to use a GPS to map out waterlines, shut off valves and hydrants. Wes made a motion to purchase a GPS with a cost limit of 350.00. James second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Mark Parks spoke with Debra about installing an ATM inside of the Town Hall, he said there would be no cost to the Town, and possible a small profit from the fees charged. The issued died for lack of a motion.

Melissa asked about the Special Election for the vacant council position. Due to the November election, two months either way is required between the general election and a special election, therefore, it will be January or February before we can have a Special Election.
Melissa asked if all businesses in Town had paid their business taxes and business license fee. All had paid by July 1st.

**EXEUCTIVE SESSION:** Melissa made a motion pursuant to Virginia code 2.2-3711-A to go into closed session to discuss personnel or legal matters. Wes second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Melissa made a motion to return to open session, Wes second 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, James-yes, Wes-yes, George-yes.

From executive session Wes made a motion to give gift cards to the Mayor, Town Council and all full time employees, James second the motion, all council voted in favor.

**COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**
Two companies submitted proposals for the planning grant. The selection committee will be Tuesday, November 4th at 1:00 to discuss and consider the proposals.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** After briefly discussing the report, James made a motion to approve the October 2014 Financial Report, George second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:43pm James made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Wes second the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Minutes taken & submitted by

Renee Adams