Town of Dungannon
Town Council Minutes
September 9th, 2013

**PRESENT:** Fred Nickels-Mayor, Debra Horne -Vice Mayor, Wes Adams, Andy Lawson, Melissa Hunt, George Hensley, Curtis Sluss, Larry Beavers, Judy Blevins, Renee Adams.

Before the meeting was called to order, Andy informed the Mayor and other Council members that he would be taping the meeting.

Fred called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge, George lead in Prayer. Renee read the minutes from the August 9th, 2013 council meeting. Wes made a motion to approve the August minutes, Debra seconded, George and Melissa abstained due to absence. Andy voted against. Due to the 2-1 vote in favor of the 3 council members eligible to vote, the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Curtis Sluss was present on behalf of First Baptist Church; he explained to council that a breezeway will attach the new fellowship hall to the church. They need a permit from the Town to take to Scott Co. Building Inspector, before they can get started. Larry Beavers asked about the water & sewer connection to the fellowship hall. Renee read Chapter 13 Sec. 3 of the Town’s water ordinance which states “No more than one structure or dwelling is to be connected to a single meter”, however; both Mr. Sluss and Larry firmly stated that the addition is to be attached to the existing building by the breezeway. Wes had previously looked at the site for the fellowship. Wes made a motion to give First Baptist Church a building permit for the fellowship hall, George seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

 **OLD BUSINESS**   Regarding Osborne old store building and the old Post Office which the Town hopes to have condemned and torn down, Renee sent Scott Co. Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Dan Fellhauer a copy of the signed affidavits, Debra will follow-up with Mr. Fellhauer this week.

**NEW BUSINESS** Debra addressed the issue of the Town not allowing (any more) single wide mobile homes in Town limits, Melissa suggested that certain guidelines be met.

Regarding rental property. Wes made a motion that any property owner with renters, pay up all delinquent water bills before any other of his/her property has water turned on. (This is pending review by an attorney), Melissa seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

The Town still has many untagged or abandoned vehicles in Town, certified letters have previously been sent to many of the vehicle owners, since further action will be required, Wes made a motion to contact Sheriff John Puckett about hiring a deputy for a couple of days a month and ask if John will attend next month’s meeting, George seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Due to cost of ink and paper for the copy/fax machine, the need to charge individuals for the use of this machine is necessary. Renee presented council with a sample of such charges. Melissa made a motion to start charging for faxes and copies, Andy seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried.

The Town has made plans to set Saturday December 7th 2013 for the Town’s Christmas event. Which includes a tree lighting ceremony, Debra made a motion to purchase a living tree from Evergreen, it is 7ft, and cost $175.00. Andy seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried. Also in regards to Christmas plans, on DDC’s website, it states that “Dungannon’s Christmas Festival” will be held on Saturday November 23rd, the same day as the Santa Train. George made a motion to contact Travis Perry to have the name “Dungannon’s Christmas Festival” removed from the website; also there will not be any other tree lighting service other than the one the Town is to hold on December 7th. DDC is to provide the Town a copy of their Insurance and Liability. All vendor applications will have to come through the Town. Wes seconded the motion, Melissa abstained due to personal reasons, Andy abstained due to the possible legal issues with it. With the 3 to 2 votes in favor the motion was carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**: After council reviewed the August Financial Report, Wes made a motion to approve the report, Melissa seconded the motion, Debra voted in favor, George voted in favor, Andy abstained, he said he wasn’t sure that the Financial Report was legal, due to the 4 to 1 vote in favor, the motion was carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**: Melissa made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Wes seconded the motion, all council voted in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm

Minutes taken and submitted by:

Renee Adams