

October 20, 2009

Roanoke Town Council Minutes

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Roanoke Town Council convened on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall in accordance with this Council's rules and applicable laws. Those present from the Council were President John Stoeckley, Vice President Troy Karshner, Councilman Brian Young, Councilman Nick Altman and Councilwoman Ann O'Briant. Also present were Asst. Town Superintendent John Hitzemann, Fire Chief Chad Taylor and Marshal Kip Rupert. JoAnne Kirchner, Clerk/Treasurer, was not present.

Councilwoman O'Briant moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of October 6, 2009 as written. Councilman Young seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. Stoeckley and Karshner abstained.

The Council approved by consensus a home improvement request from Mr. Frank Van Ness and Jennifer Minnick of 142 E. Seventh Street for a new fence.

Citizen Brian Secor addressed the Council regarding a Design Committee meeting scheduled for November 5, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Seminary United Methodist Church, 285 N. Seminary Street. Secor stated that the committee is seeking public input regarding future projects.

Vice President Karshner relayed concerns from Parkview Health regarding the Town's EMS quarters. Parkview noted that the quarters lack inadequate ventilation, heating and cooling units, restrooms within the designated space offered, and exterior windows or doors offering an alternate emergency exit. Karshner requested that Superintendent Paul Swain seek quotes for updating and remodeling the space. Secor asked why the Town is not seeking quotes for a new, separate building as well as quotes for remodeling the current current space. Karshner and President Stoeckley stated that the cost of building a separate building would likely exceed the cost of remodeling.

Asst. Town Superintendent Hitzemann reminded resident and the Council of a public hearing to be held October 21st, 2009, regarding a proposed wetland area south of Lafayette Center Road and west of U.S. 24. Hitzemann also stated that preparations for several paving projects would likely be beginning before the end of the month and that the Utilities Department would begin its annual leaf pick-up service in early November.

Councilman Altman provided an update regarding the proposed golf cart ordinance. Having spoken with Town Judge Bobby Turpin, Altman suggested that violations of the ordinance be treated just like traffic violations. Furthermore, Altman suggested that a cover letter citing this information be presented to and signed by applicants when they seek a golf cart permit. President Stoeckley asked Altman to draft a cover letter with Judge Turpin to have reviewed by the town's attorney.

Councilman Young stated that he had been approached by someone interested in holding a youth baseball tournament at the Roanoke Park. He said that he would discuss any issues with Park Board President, Barry Knuckles.

Last on the agenda was the presentation of bills for payment. After review, Vice President Karshner moved to pay the bills as listed on the allowance of claims payable vouchers for \$96,256.65. Councilman Young seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Vice President Karshner then moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman O'Brian seconded and the motion was duly adopted.

**Respectfully submitted,
Nick Altman, Councilman
Secretary, Pro-Tem**

Council Approve:
