

Town Council Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2009  
6:30 pm

Rebecca Mann (arrived at 7:08pm)  
Lee Collins  
Robert Miller  
Frank Hill, Mayor  
Rich Taylor  
Ron Francis  
Keith Baynes, Town Attorney  
Sharon Weygand, Town Administrator  
Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

List of attendees in Minutes Book

Mayor Hill brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. Approval of minutes from February 9, 2009 meeting**

Ron Francis made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 9, 2009 meeting with the one addition. Bob Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote:           Aye - 4  
                  Nay - 0**

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Barb Wilkers: Easter Egg Hunt Saturday 4/4 @ 1pm in Helen Titter Park  
NYC on June 13<sup>th</sup> leaving 8a and returning by 8pm

Frank Vari: Recycling on North side in front of the old Town Hall Saturday from 7a-11a.  
5K race on June 27<sup>th</sup>, the staying area will be at the firehouse

Lee Collins: St Pat's Day parade is at Noon on Saturday.

Rich Taylor: 8<sup>th</sup> grade service project with be April 23, 24 or the 30<sup>th</sup> for the part at the school – what use to be part of the working tour. School is coordinating it this year.

**III. Commissioners' Reports**

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| i. Ron Francis   | Public Works<br>Parks & Recreation Committee                        |
| ii. Rebecca Mann | Public Safety<br>Charter<br>Ethics                                  |
| iii. Bob Miller  | Water/Sewer Status<br>Water/Sewer Committee<br>MES Report-Tom Riley |
| iv. Rich Taylor  | P&Z Commission<br>Historic Commission<br>Parking Committee          |
| v. Lee Collins   | Financial   |

**IV. Office Reports**

- i. Valerie Walls Clerk/Treasurer
- ii. Sharon Weygand Town Administrator
- iii. Frank Hill Mayor

**V. Old Business**

- a. Water Capacity Management Plan- waiting for Council decision regarding Artesian
- b. Update on Old Town Hall – Open house dates have been set for March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> and may go into an auction for the property.
- c. Annexing the 6.28 acres from the Corps update – Keith has emailed annexations paperwork. We will be required to give that piece of property a zoning designation. Keith needs to know what the designation is to be and when did we want to introduce it. He can then have it here in final form with all the dates. Once it is adopted it has to be sent to the county, the state office of planning and zoning and published twice in the paper.
- d. Draft recommendations to Council from the Board of Supervisors of Elections.  
Lee Collins made a motion to pass Charter Amendment Resolution No. 3-9-09.1 'pertaining to Section 26-31.1 Absentee Ballots' as written. Ron Francis 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote:           Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

Bob Miller made a motion to pass Charter Amendment Resolution No. 3-9-09.2 that states the Board of Supervisors of Elections will review all Certificates of Candidacy for accuracy and post them on both the front and back doors of Town Hall. Withdrawals must be done in person and in writing to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.  
Lee Collins 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote:           Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

**VI. New Business**

- a. Recycling Procedures: Recyclable to be picked up the Friday before.
- b. Use of the Town Seal by the North Side Neighborhood Association  
Rich Taylor made a motion to allow the NSNA to use the Town Seal for koozies.  
Bob Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote:           Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

**VII. Action Items**

- a. Noise Ordinance

Bob Miller made a motion we accept the amendments to the current ordinance 97-3-1 and 97-9-1 as it is written in 1-1-2009. Rich Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Comment by Rebecca Mann: The Town has been facing this since the late 80s and early 90s and I truly felt this council was on their way to coming up with a really good ordinance on this and I'm disappointed we didn't carry through on all the items we had voted on.

**Vote:           Aye - 4**  
**Nay – 1 R. Mann**

- b. Music Permit  
Rich Taylor made a motion to approve for the Resolution 3-9-09.3 Music Permits as drafted. Bob Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 4**  
**Nay – 1 R. Mann** (Not about the fees, but the number of hours and days)

- c. Water & Sewer Rate Increase  
Lee Collins made a motion to accept Resolution 3-9-09.4 pertaining to the rate increase in water & sewer. Ron Francis 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

- d. Parking Ordinance: 3-9-09.5  
Committee to discuss fines and council to discuss at March workshop..  
Rich Taylor made a motion to introduce Parking Ordinance 3-9-09.5. Ron Francis 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

- e. St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Bob Miller made a motion to allow the St Patrick's Day Parade to close the streets for the procession. Ron Francis 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

- f. Canal Day  
Ron Francis made a motion to allow Canal Day with street closings as listed, including the restrictions of alcohol to Pell Garden area or restaurant areas on that day. Lee Collins 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

- g. Historic Commission appointments.  
Bob Miller made a motion to appoint Linda Francis, Tracey Sampson and Harriett Davis for three year terms each. Rich Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 4**  
**Nay – 0**  
Ron Francis abstaining because his wife is being nominated

- h. Landscaping Contract  
Lee Collins made a motion to accept the bid for Top Notch for \$5400 (\$4500 + \$1152 for a one time clean-up cost, but will drop it down to \$5400). Ron Francis 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vote: Aye - 5**  
**Nay – 0**

