

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS
TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**

May 14, 2013

The Seven Devils Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Larry Fontaine, Mayor Pro Tem Brad Lambert, Council Members Kay Ehlinger, David Ehmig, and David Hooper. Also present were Town Manager Ed Evans and Attorney Rob Angle. The minutes were recorded by Sara Miller, Town Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fontaine called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council members and citizens recited the Pledge of Allegiance

ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Fontaine suggested that New Business Item A. Horn in the West Presentation—Ms. Michelle Ligon be moved to just after Citizen Comments as Agenda Item VI. Member Ehlinger made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA – ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Lambert suggested that the minutes show the surplus of the Police Department's obsolete television saying "Donation of" instead of "Possible Donation of". Member Hooper made a motion to accept this change to be reflected in the minutes. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Motion for Consideration – Adopt minutes of Regular Meeting—April 9, 2013

Motion for Consideration – Adopt minutes of Special Meeting/Town Council Retreat—May 7, 2013

Motion for Consideration—Surplus obsolete television—Donation of TV to SafetyFest

Motion for Consideration—Travel Request—TM to NCCCMA Annual Summer

Conference—June 20-21, 2013

Motion for Consideration—Participation/Travel Request—TM to Urban Forest Conference as speaker—August 8-9, 2013

Member Hooper made a motion to adopt the consent agenda with amended minutes. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Anne Fontaine, 127 West Rocky Top, wished to update everyone present with the most recent statistics from the Seven Devils Walking Challenge. She stated that a total of 132 miles had been walked as of that evening, and 27 people had signed up. She encouraged everyone to sign up if they have not already done so.

HORN IN THE WEST PRESENTATION—MS. MICHELLE LIGON—After a short presentation that described Horn in the West, the Council decided to pass the idea of advertising and aiding the Horn in the West group to the TDA for further evaluation. No action was taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE & CALENDAR—Town Manager Evans reminded everyone that Town Hall will be closed in observance of Memorial Day on May 27, 2013 and that the ABC Board will meet on June 13, 2013 at 4:00PM. Manager Evans also stated that all previously scheduled Budget Workshops have been cancelled, and the rescheduled meetings will be posted on the Town website and at Town Hall at least two days in advance of their appointed dates.

OLD BUSINESS

CELL TOWER DISCUSSION—Mayor Fontaine stated that the Council is waiting on a recommendation from the Planning Board regarding this issue. No action was taken. ~OPEN~

DISCUSSION—MINI-PARKS(ROW; AREAS MAINTAINED BY SEVEN DEVILS)—

After a brief discussion, Mayor Fontaine stated that no action would be taken, as the Council is waiting for more information from Manager Evans. **~OPEN~**

PARTF DISCUSSION—BRIDGE LOAN PROCESS AND LOAN POSSIBILITY—After discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Lambert made a motion which stated:

WHEREAS, the current deeded owner of the Otter Falls property agreed to sell for a purchase price of \$265,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seven Devils received an approved PARTF Grant in the amount of \$135,800.00, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seven Devils has been tentatively approved for a bank loan of the balance of the purchase price, less the Grant amount and any donation amount received, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seven Devils proceeded with all due diligence terms stated within the Offer to Purchase, and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Town of Seven Devils approved moving forward with all preliminary purchase proceedings necessary. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. **~OPEN~**

Mayor Pro Tem Lambert made a motion that approved Manager Evans to spend up to \$10,000.00 of Town of Seven Devils public funds in order to proceed with the Otter Falls purchase. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. **~OPEN~**

NEW BUSINESS

HORN IN THE WEST PRESENTATION—MS. MICHELLE LIGON—Moved to Agenda Item VI

POLICY FOR OUTSIDE ADVERTISING IN TOWN PUBLICATIONS—After a brief discussion, Mayor Fontaine made a motion limiting advertising in Town publications to only official Town business. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. **~CLOSED~**

PUBLIC WORKS RECOMMENDATION—PEREGRINE WELL—REACTIVATION OF PEREGRINE WELL FOR THE SEVEN DEVILS WATER SYSTEM—After a brief discussion, Member Ehmig made a motion to reactivate the Peregrine Well for the Seven Devils Water System. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. **~CLOSED~**

RESOLUTION—LYME DISEASE AWARENESS—Mayor Pro Tem Lambert made a motion to adopt the Resolution for Lyme Disease Awareness Month. Member Ehlinger seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. ~CLOSED~



RESOLUTION—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—After a brief discussion, the Council decided to decline to adopt the Resolution regarding Domestic Violence, because of a lack of verification of statistics represented within the Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem suggested that in the future, it may benefit the Town and Council to come up with a policy to screen Resolutions presented by outside sources. No action was taken. ~CLOSED~

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Board—No meeting

Public Works—No Meeting

Public Safety Committee—Kay Lambert wished to report on Operation Medicine Cabinet, which occurred on Saturday, May 4. Foscoe/Seven Devils collected the highest number of pills, and a great number of other items. She expressed a great thank you to those that volunteered to help with this event. She also wished to remind everyone that SafetyFest is approaching, to be held on Saturday, July 6.

Recreation

ABC Board

TDA

Public Safety Department

Police Report

Fire Report

Financial Report

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Member Hooper wished to announce his 25th Wedding Anniversary.

ADJOURN

Member Ehlinger made a motion to adjourn. Member Hooper seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Larry Fontaine, Mayor

Sara Miller, Town Clerk