

**TOWN OF WILLIAMSPORT  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES  
WORKSHOP  
April 5, 2010**

A Workshop meeting of the Williamsport Mayor and Council was held on April 5, 2010, at the Williamsport Town Hall in Williamsport, MD at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance were:

Mayor James G. McCleaf II  
Assistant Mayor Tony Drury  
Councilwoman Joan Knode  
Councilman Tim Fraker  
Councilman Monty Jones  
Councilman Jim Kalbfleisch  
Councilwoman Tearza Knode  
Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski

Also, present Donnie Stotelmyer, Town Clerk

**Guests**

Mayor James G. McCleaf II introduced Mr. Tom Stang from Waste Management, Public Sector Services Manager. Mr. Stang informed the Mayor and Council that Waste Management will be participating in the upcoming bidding for the Town of Williamsport's Trash contract.

David Langas, General Manager of Allied Waste, thanked the Mayor and Council for allowing Allied Waste to provide trash service to the Town of Williamsport and hopes the Town will consider them in the upcoming bidding process.

Mayor James G. McCleaf II introduced Mr. John Wolford from the State Highway Administration. Mr. Wolford was present to explain to the Mayor and Council that the State Highway Administration conducted a traffic study on the traffic that crosses the Route 11 Bridge into Marlowe WV. Mr. Wolford stated that State Highway was considering increasing the speed limit on the bridge from 25 mph to 35 mph. Mayor McCleaf raised concerns with the increase because of the bike traffic leaving Cushwa Basin to downtown Williamsport. Councilman Jones stated that he felt that there was no advantage in the speed increase. Mr. Wolford stated that he will not proceed any further with the recommended increase of the speed limit on the Route 11 Bridge.

Mayor James G. McCleaf II introduced Mr. Dennis Hunter and Mr. Keith Gibb from Brookgrove Foundation and Ms. Lori Nicolle from Gallagher, Evelius & Jones LLC. Ms. Nicolle explained to the Mayor and Council that the Brookgrove Foundation is requesting that the Town of Williamsport participate in the financing of the acquisition and improvement of the Facility. This task would be funded by issuing and selling and delivering Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,500,000. The Town of Williamsport will not incur any liability direct or indirect. The Bonds must be issued on or before December 31, 2010 unless action is taken by the Legislative Body of the Public Body to extend the time for issuance of the bonds. If at any time the facility applicant determines

not to proceed with the issuance, sale and delivery of the bonds the facility applicant will promptly advise the Mayor and Council of the Public Body in writing of such a determination, stating the reasons therefore. Town Attorney, Ed Kuczynski, stated that Brook Grove is trying to find the most competitive financing for the Brookgrove Foundation. He further explained that a Resolution will need to be introduced at the May Regular Council meeting scheduled for May 12, 2010.

### **Unfinished Business**

Mayor James G. McCleaf II held discussion on the appointment of a Representative to the Washington County Council of Governments from the Town of Williamsport. The Council of Governments will meet on a quarterly basis. No action was taken on this matter.

### **New Business**

Mayor James G. McCleaf II reviewed with the Council a request from the Make a Wish Foundation of the Mid-Atlantic Inc. Make a Wish is requesting free use of the Byron Memorial Park on July 24, 2010 from 6:00am to 8:00pm to host a "Ride and Stride for Wishes" cycling event. They have also tentatively reserved Pavilion 1 & 2 for registration for event activities. The Gazebo would also be utilized for entertainment. The Council agreed that Make-A-Wish will need to pay the normal rental fees for the use of the facilities.

Mayor James G. McCleaf II reviewed with the Council a request from Kinder Haven Child Care Center, 35 W. Potomac St., Williamsport. Kinder Haven is requesting the use of any open Pavilion in Byron Memorial Park, every Tuesday starting in April 2010 until October 2010 at no charge for the Center. Councilwoman Joan Knode will follow-up with Kinder-Haven on this matter.

Mayor James G. McCleaf II reviewed with the Council a request from Mrs. Cloud, Assistant Principal of Hedgesville Elementary School. Mrs. Cloud is requesting use of Pavilion 2 on May 14, 2010 from 11:45am to 1:00pm for special needs (autism) class of 8 students. Mrs. Cloud is requesting that the Pavilion fee be waived. The Council agreed to allow Hedgesville Elementary School to utilize the Pavilion free of charge.

Mayor James G. McCleaf II reviewed with the Council a 6-month CD Account for the Town of Williamsport that will mature on 4/10/10. The Council advised Town Clerk, Donnie Stotelmeyer to re-new the 6-month CD

Williamsport Ministerium is requesting permission to use the Springfield Barn for Blessing of the Animals scheduled for June 27, 2010. Councilwoman Joan Knode will follow-up with the Ministerium concerning their request.

### **Citizen Participation**

Ms. Tonya Williams, resident of Williamsport, requested that the Town of Williamsport pay for the excise taxes being imposed on the Candlelight Inn in the amount of \$3,900.00. Mayor McCleaf will follow-up with Washington County Administrator, Greg Murray.

Mr. Jim Jewells reported on the Williamsport Days scheduled events. The Queen of this year's Williamsport Days Event will be Jeanie House and the King is Maurice Snyder. He is requesting input from the Mayor and Council for this scheduled celebration and Cruise Inn.

Mr. Ken Lafferty discussed with the Mayor and Council his concerns with the high-speed traffic on the Allegheny access road.

Mayor James G. McCleaf reported that a Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, April 12, 2010 concerning the Downtown Feasibility Study. Mr. Mike Sparks will be present to discuss this matter.

A motion was made by Councilman, Kalbfleisch, seconded by Assistant Mayor Drury, to adjourn, with all voting in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Donnie Stotemyer  
Town Clerk  
Town of Williamsport