

# Mechanic Falls Town Council

November 5, 2018

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Stephen Bolduc, Vice Chair  
Nicholas Konstantoulakis  
Kieth Bennett  
Wayne Hackett

## **STAFF PRESENT:**

Zakk Maher – Town Manager  
Miranda Hinkley – Town Clerk  
Jeffrey Goss – Chief of Police  
Nancy Petersons, Librarian

## **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Eriks Petersons, Reporter  
Scott Ferland  
Maggie Ferland

- 1.0 Councilor Bolduc called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- 2.0 We stood and saluted the flag.
- 3.0 Cathy Fifield absent.

## **4.0 General Reports:**

### **4.1 Council Meeting Minutes for October 1, October 16, and October 22, 2018**

### **4.2 Municipal Financial Reports**

Councilor Hackett moves to accept the Minutes and Reports as submitted, seconded by Councilor Konstantoulakis. All in favor, so voted.

### **4.3 Report on Standing Committees & Departments**

Councilor Bolduc shares that the County Budget Committee met for 15 minutes and approved a budget. He feels it is still high, but the County is hoping to save for CIP for rotational replacement of cruisers and other large expenses. The RSU has implemented rules for teachers regarding Facebook. Councilor Konstantoulakis met with the Recreation Committee and they will be presenting their recommendations for the monies voted by the town to allocate for the Recreation position. Councilor Bennett was unable to attend the Community Development Commission meeting as it was happening simultaneously as the current meeting.

## **5.0 Public Hearings: NONE**

## **6.0 Comments from the Public: NONE**

## **7.0 Old Business:**

### **7.1 22 Pleasant Street Floor Plan**

Following the workshop of the Council, the Town Manager, in collaboration with the architect, has prepared the final draft to be submitted to USDA for approval. This will allow us to start the bid process and determine where we are financially to renovate the building for the Town Office and Library. This new plan would have the Police Department remain in the old building for security and maintenance purposes until the town could revisit relocating them to a currently owned building or creating a facility for Emergency Services and Public Works Departments.

## **8.0 New Business:**

### **8.1 Mill Fire Expense Update**

Two of the excavators were graciously donated which decreased our cost substantially, however we are still looking at approximately \$32,000 in expenses. The Town Manager has presented some options for transferring of money from other areas within the current budget to cover these costs. No decision is needed until January.

### **8.2 Water Department Budget Review**

The Council meets with the Director of the Water Department annually for budget review. Zakk asked for a date and time for this year's meeting. The Council agreed to November 26 at 6:30pm at the Water Department Building.

### **8.3 Suspension of Robert's Rules of Order**

The Town Manager has asked that we suspend the rules to add an additional election clerk to the agenda. Councilor Konstantoulakis moves to suspend Robert's rules of Order to consider an additional election clerk appointment. Motion seconded by Councilor Hackett and voted unanimously to suspend.

### **8.4 Appointment of Election Clerk**

The Town Clerk is requesting the Council appoint Brenda Coleman as Election Clerk for the November 6, 2018 election. Miranda feels that the large number of absentee ballots requested from new voters is indicative of the large turnout we will have for this election, thus justifying the need of an additional election clerk. Councilor Hackett enters a motion to appoint Brenda Coleman as election Clerk for the November 6<sup>th</sup> election. Councilor Konstantoulakis seconds the motion. All in favor, motion passes.

### **8.5 Suspension of Robert's Rules of Order**

The Town Manager has asked that we suspend the rules to add Recreation Committee Member Application to the agenda. Councilor Bennett so moves. Councilor Konstantoulakis seconds. Council votes unanimously to suspend.

### **8.6 Recreation Committee Appointment**

Jill Starbird has submitted an application to be appointed as a Recreation Committee Member. Background check was completed without findings. Councilor Konstantoulakis moves to appoint Jill Starbird to the Recreation Committee, seconded by Councilor Hackett. All in favor, so voted.

## ***9.0 Ordinances, Resolves & Licenses:***

### **9.1 Abatement Request**

Withdrawn by applicant prior to meeting.

### **9.2 Liquor License Renewal of American Legion Post 150**

Vote needed for liquor license renewal for the American Legion Post 150 Motion: Councilor Hackett Second: Councilor Konstantoulakis Vote: Unanimous

### **9.3 Liquor License Renewal of Village Pizzeria**

Vote needed for liquor license renewal for the Village Pizzeria Motion: Councilor Hackett Second: Councilor Konstantoulakis Vote: Unanimous.

### **9.4 Office Closure**

We will be closed Monday, November 12, 2018 in observance of Veteran's Day.

### **9.5 Office Closure**

We will be closed on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The Wednesday prior, November 21<sup>st</sup>, will be a half day, closing at noon.

## ***10.0 Adjourn:***

Councilor Konstantoulakis motioned to adjourn, Seconded by Councilor Bennett. All in favor, so voted. Meeting Adjourned 7:06pm.