

# Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2009

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council President, Jeff Martin, called meeting of the Danville Town Council to order at 7:00pm on June 15, 2009 in the Danville Town Hall, 147 W Main Street.
  
- II. ROLL CALL: President, Jeff Martin, acknowledged a quorum of the Council and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The following Council members were in attendance: Jeff Martin, Richard Burrows, Steve Hartsock, Mike Neilson and Marcia Lynch. The following Administrative officials were present: Gary Eakin, Town Manager. The following administrative officials were absent: Amy Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer
  
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Marcia Lynch to approve the minutes as read for the Town Council meeting of 6/1/2009, seconded by Mike Neilson. Motion passed 5-0.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS:

a) OCRA Grant – Public Hearing

Town Manager, Gary Eakin, explained the purpose of this hearing: The Town of Danville suffered damages from the severe storms in June, 2008. Severe winds and persistent rains resulted in flooding, downed trees, and other damage throughout the Town of Danville. The Town took emergency measures to remove debris, and repair damages caused by flooding to the Ellis Park Bridge and the Danville Wastewater Treatment facility. In June, 2008, the Town applied for Public Assistance through FEMA and received 75% of the total costs associated with these projects. The total received through the FEMA Public e was \$101,086.02. Through the Office of Community and Rural Affairs and a Community Development Block Grant, the Town is applying for the additional 25% expended because of this storm damage. The amount requested in this CDBG is \$35,695.34.

President of the Town Council, Jeff Martin, opened the Public Hearing and asked for comments. Hearing no comments, President, Jeff Martin, closed the Public Hearing.

b) Danville Chamber of Commerce – Amanda Jensen

Request for Fireworks Funding and Space Allocation at the New Town Hall

Amanda requested \$7,000.00 from the HOST Funds for the fireworks. Motion was made by Marcia Lynch to grant funding to the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$7,000.00 to be taken from the HOST fund, seconded by Steve Hartsock. Motion passed 5-0.

Amanda requested that some space be set aside for the Chamber at the New Town Hall. Motion was made by Mike Neilson to provide the Chamber with the requisite amount of space pending Chamber Board approval, seconded by Marcia Lynch. Motion passed 5-0.

c) Fair Housing Ordinance – 9-2009

This ordinance is a requirement for grant funding that we are currently seeking from OCRA. The Town of Danville would act as an agent to receive complaints regarding this issue and forward them on to the appropriate federal agency. Marcia Lynch made motion to suspend the rules and act on this ordinance immediately, seconded by Mike Neilson. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion was made by Steve Hartsock to adopt the Fair Housing Ordinance 9-2009, seconded by Dick Burrows. Motion passed 5-0.

d) Tree Advisory Committee Ordinance 8-2009

This was introduced at the last Council meeting. It is up for adoption at this meeting. The only change in the document is to make this a 3 member committee instead of a seven member committee. Town Manager Eakin asks that both Superintendent Andrews of the Park and Superintendent Roberts of the Public Works Department act as liaisons and work alongside this committee. The following names were suggested of people who may want to serve on this committee: Bob Miller, Adam Harvey, and Rick Valentine. We will publish a request for letters of interest to serve on this committee. Motion to adopt this ordinance creating a Tree Advisory Committee was made by Mike Neilson, seconded by Dick Burrows. Motion passed 5-0.

e) Bid Recommendations – Middle School Remodel

Jeff Rigdon and Scott Perkins addressed the Council and requested the Council to set a “not to exceed” amount for this project. Originally \$1 million dollars was budgeted for this project from the HOST fund.

The bids came in at roughly \$1.6 million. Motion was made by Steve Hartsock for a total of \$1 million dollars to come out of the HOST fund and \$600,000.00 to come out of the EDIT fund with the caveat that the department Administrators are consulted to see in what areas we can save, seconded by Mike Neilson. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion was made by Marcia Lynch to award the bid to the lowest most responsive bidder, seconded by Steve Hartsock. Motion passed 5-0.

f) Department Head Reports

Laura Parker

The name of the next sculpture we will be obtaining from the Art Museum is “Holistic Image No. 8”.

Water – Jim Russell

The Fountain on the Square is working – we have found that there is a leak that needs repaired.

Fire – Chief Morgan

No Report

Park – Will Lacey

The amphitheater was put up by the DPW. The north park bathrooms will be remodeled/revitalized, the pool has made \$5,000 in concessions and \$30,000 in front gate admissions as of June 15, 2009.

Will passed out a postcard listing all of the upcoming events.

Wastewater – Bill Lush

Operations running smoothly. There are a couple of stalled projects because of the rain.

Police - Chief Gill

Chief Gill handed out the May, 2009 statistics report. He has not received any updates on the grants for new police officers.

Chief Gill will have a swearing in ceremony on 6/22 at a.m. for the newly hired police officer, Helton.

Public Works – Rob Roberts

Nothing to report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

STAFF COMMENTS

Town Manager Eakin

Will be on vacation fishing the week of June 22, 2009.

V. CLAIM DOCKET: Mike Neilson made a motion to approve claim docket, seconded by Marcia Lynch. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. ADJOURNED: President of the Council, Jeff Martin, adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

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Julie A. Cooney, Town of Danville

Jeff Martin, President