

The Richlands Town Council held a regular monthly meeting in the Richlands Council Chambers on March 12, 2019 at 7:30pm with the following present:

Mayor:	Paul Crawford
Town Manager:	Tim Taylor
Town Clerk:	Connie Allen
Council Members:	Richard Brown, Vickie England, Rod Cury, Rick Wood, Doug Ratliff Mary Ann Strong
Town Attorney :	Shannon Cooke

Mayor Crawford opened the meeting.

Joel Horn gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance/Flag Ceremony– Cub Scout Pack 61.

Mayor Crawford - Thank you Cub Scout Pack 61 for coming tonight and doing the Pledge of Allegiance, these young people are our future.

Mayor Crawford - I would like to welcome Shannon Cooke our Town Attorney.

Mayor Crawford – Do we have any additions/deletions/corrections to the agenda?

Mayor Crawford - Please add Heather Smith – Teen Venture to the “Scheduled Public Comments”.

Mayor Crawford- Do we have anyone who would like to speak that is not on the agenda?

Mayor Crawford - Any other additions/deletions/corrections to the agenda?

Mayor Crawford – Do we have a motion to approve the agenda as amended? Mary Ann made the motion to approve the agenda as amended, Rod seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford- We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries - 6/0.

Mayor Crawford – We have one (1) set of minutes for February 12. Are there any corrections, additions or deletions to the minutes?

Mayor Crawford - Do I have a motion to approve the minutes as presented?

Rod- I make a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mary Ann seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford- We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries - 6/0.

Mayor Crawford - I would like for everyone to “silence” your cell phone during the meeting.

Mayor Crawford - “Scheduled Public Comments” – Joe Adair – Fluoride in Water

Joe - Thank you for all you do in keeping our area going. I have spent my whole life in the Richlands area except for three (3) years away from school. The economics is the lowest it has ever been. We need to work together to increase our opportunities for success. Do you have any questions? I am certainly here to promote fluoride back into the water system. Any prospective company coming to look at our situation would say this area is behind the times. Approximately 85% of America is on fluoridated water, the greatest health care achievement in the last 100 years. Dentist and Health Care were one of the first to try and put their selves out of business. Fluoride is important, it is in mouth wash and toothpaste but

that is superficial. When it is in the water it is incorporated into the bone and tooth structures in all animals. Does anyone have questions?

Mayor Crawford – “Scheduled Public Comments” Heather Smith - Teen Venture

Heather – Thank you for having me come today and speak. I am the Executive Director of the Teen Venture Center. I am here today representing our area youth who are our current and future members. It is my hope to represent them to the best of my ability by conveying to you who we are, our mission and some of the opportunities we offer our youth, which indirectly benefits our community. Teen Venture is a 501C (3) non-profit charter thru the VSA. We pay an annual membership fee per member to VSA for purpose of insurance protection, youth program opportunities, back ground checks and youth protection training for our staff and volunteers. We do not receive any funding from the VSA. As a non-profit we don't generate any profit. Our \$40 charter fee has been reduced to \$20 to any student who is on free or reduced lunch. If the teen cannot afford the fee, we cover the fee thru donated funds. We depend heavily on volunteers to implement the programs we offer. Each volunteer completes protection training and undergoes an extensive back-ground check. We want to know who is involved with our kids and they are safe. Safety is our #1 priority. We aim to provide a safe and structured after school environment for the youth and give them opportunity for physical activities and programs for personal and growth development. Many teens come to us straight off the bus from school. We offer snacks which we receive from limited grants and food donations. We also want to teach them life adaptive skills which are achieved thru VSA “Learning for Life Program”. Thru this program the youth are taught to deal with life problems they may face such as peer pressure and bullying. For the older youth we provide finance and monthly budgeting lessons as well. We have in small group sittings. We are constantly seeking new partnerships with other youth organizations such as 4-H, Young Living, Boys & Girls Club to provide new programs and new resources for our youth. We have a goal to teach our youth about their civic duties as well. We do two (2) community projects each year. In the past we have painted Critterville, mulched the park and various river clean-ups. We have a 3-Strike Rule for discipline. Strike 1 – suspended for the day, Strike 2 – out for the week, Strike 3 – out for two (2) weeks. My husband is working on a program to send out text notifications to the caretakers of the children. When they arrive, they will receive a text and when they leave they will receive a text. We do have various operational costs such as utilities. For program cost we secure various grants. For operational cost we depend on members of the community. Talent is universal however opportunity is not. Help us give our youth this opportunity. I come before you today to ask for operational cost assistance. Thank you.

Mayor Crawford - Any questions for Heather?

Vickie- On the bottom of our utility bill each month people can donate funds to the Teen Center. Do you have any idea how many people donate each month?

Heather - I don't know the exact number, however, it varies from \$100 to \$116 dollars a month.

Vickie - It is an excellent program, don't hurt anyone to donate.

Heather - Any amount helps, I can utilize in some shape or form to benefit the Center.

Vickie - Since this is televised maybe people did not know they can donate to the Teen Center on their utility bill.

Mary Ann - How many members do you have? What is the average that participates?

Heather - Daily average from 10 to 15; we have roughly 50 to 60 registered.

Mary Ann - You also do offsite trips, correct?

Heather – Yes, we like to go to the Summit in West Virginia every year. It is a State Park.

Vickie - I have volunteered my time, it is a good experience to watch the kids.

Heather - You get to know the kids and consider as your own. I have a background in Counseling. It helps having counseling experience and knowledge.

Richard – Tim, since this is a request for assistance for utilities cost, is it permissible out of utilities funds that we have established like electrical, water and sewage?

Tim – Probably not, would be considered governmental function more appropriate to pay for out of that, where all donations come from when you look at those requests.

Richard - Is your request for the current year or you want us to budget for next year?

Heather - I would be grateful to have in the budget.

Richard - Budget starts on July 1.

Mayor Crawford - I had the opportunity to visit with Heather and I cross examined her on some things. I was very impressed with the program that is being put in place by her husband to text the caretaker when the kids arrive and leave.

Heather - It will give the caretaker peace of mind.

Mayor Crawford - Heather is aware the perception is not always positive from the Town and the Community. Her and her assistant have plans in place to open this up to get more children to the Center. It is a good thing.

Mayor Crawford – “Unscheduled Public Comments” – Dr. Harrison

Dr. Harrison – I have a couple of handouts I would like to pass out. The first page is an article that was in Wall Street Journal, the 26th of last month. The article is about EPA which is not fluoride but how once bad science gets in almost impossible to get out. This one talks about a 20-year course they have been trying to get out. Remember 12 years ago everyone was throwing their water bottles away because of EPA, it turned out it was fraudulent science. They knew that a year later but fourteen years later they are still things going on using that bad science. Last week the CDC came up and reissued their findings on associated vaccination particular the measles vaccination with autism. Fifteen years ago, they figured out that the study that did this was a fraudulent study, and they still can't get it out. There is an epidemic of measles in Northwest right now because people still believe in a study that was a fraud and proved to be a fraud. The physicians that started it 20 years ago, you can't get it out of the system. In 75 years of fluoridation there has never been a study that shows that fluoride at recommended levels causes harm to humans. There is all over the chart of other things. You can go on the ADA site and find 49 separate questions about fluoride. The second page is a list of 110 to 115 international and national organizations including #47 which is the America Waterworks Associations that endorse fluoridation of water as a health benefit. Every major health organization in the world is on this list. Please fluoridate the water and help our kids.

Mayor Crawford – “Unscheduled Public Comments” - Ginger Branton

Ginger – I went on the CDC site to find out some facts and figures related to fluoride in the water. I was really surprised that the water system in Richlands, Buchanan, Tazewell County and Russell County are the only ones that do not have fluoride in our water. All the other PSA in the counties and in our neighboring counties do. I have that from the CDC. I thought I would take a step further; I wanted to find out about the population base. VA ranks 95.9% of counties and towns within the Commonwealth that have fluoride in their water, West Virginia-90.5 % of every county in West VA, Tennessee-88.1% of their counties and towns with fluoride in their water. VA ranks 7th in the nation of having fluoride in

their water. General facts about fluoride, the history of fluoride that Dr. Harrison just shared with you. Our Surgeon General is very favorable of fluoride being in the water, benefits all our children. The handout about Community Water Fluoridation which covers safety, effective and other things on this list. When we look at the disparity in our county and the level of poverty that we have that are not receiving sufficient health benefits in their water is a major concern to us, not only as a parent but as a grandparent. All the children in this county are our children. We need to make sure we provide them with the best health that we possibly can, no matter where it comes from.

Mayor Crawford - Dr. Adair

Dr. Adair - I would like to add a few comments to what has already been said. For every dollar spent by putting fluoride in your water you have a return of \$33. It is beneficial to all animals, especially beneficial to ladies after the age of 55, they need for their bone structure. Every situation in life has a positive and a negative. I know the cost is a negative. Food City, Consol and the McGlothlin's just to name a few may provide money to provide the equipment to get it started. Most Americans think it is a win, win situation.

Mayor Crawford - Since this has been brought up, I want to make a comment. When the fluoride in the water first came up I was 100% for it. I studied a lot of the facts and figures, pros and cons in order to try and make a good decision. There are some prestige organizations that are not for fluoride in the water. If I am voting for my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren what would my vote be? I would vote to put fluoride in the water. I just want everyone to know where I stand on the issue.

Teresa Lockhart - I help Chris Blankenship with Cub Scout Pack 61; we really enjoyed being here tonight. We also visited the Section House tonight. We have to be part of the community. We want to honor a veteran today, some of the scouts made handmade cards for Veteran Mayor Crawford. We forgot to give to him earlier.

Mayor Crawford – Thank you

Mayor Crawford - Tazewell County Business Challenge – Entrepreneur/Small Business Development Program – Adrienne Cordle

Adrienne – I passed out a flyer to each of you. It is to make the public aware that Tazewell County has partnered with Virginia Community Capital to offer an Entrepreneur/Small Business Development Program. Virginia County Industrial Development has received grant funding from the Thompson Foundation. They will organize workshops and programs that will fund thru a competitive nature, the startup of a new business. There will be stipulations with it. The towns within the county will participate in the program. IDA has called on the towns to participate and award amounts for the businesses. The Tazewell County IDA will be awarded \$7500, the Town of Bluefield, Richlands and Tazewell will be awarded \$2500 with a total of \$15,000. As you will see on the brochure it is a six (6) week program. Workshops will be scheduled weekly starting October 3 – November 7. They will start marketing the program three (3) to four (4) months before it starts. In the workshops, they will provide to people who are interested in starting a small business an opportunity to come together. Example: In one meeting an accountant could come and guide them on what to do to start a business, such as a LLC, proprietorship, etc. They could have an insurance broker there to guide them on insurance type decisions. The program is to help guide them to get a business started and to move forward. They will award a top business with an award of \$10,000 to start their business. They will monitor how the money is spent. Virginia Community Capital will partner with local business to provide them services after the workshop is over. They have had a lot of success with these programs in our neighboring counties.

Tim - I would like to add it can be for existing business too. It is good to use these opportunities; it will give them a tremendous amount of help. I think the top business will be award with \$5000 not \$10,000.

Adrienne - They will be streaming these workshops, they will be available to the public. You can sign up for the workshops and not be participating in the program.

Mary Ann – If anyone is interested do they need to just go to the website?

Adrienne - Yes, we just had a kick off meeting with them a few weeks ago. They are still working out the details. The flyer I handed out is a preliminary flyer.

Rod - Thank you very much for presenting this opportunity. I think it is important to include businesses that already exist. Is the advisory board the ones who decides who gets the awards?

Tim - The group established is trying to get the exposure to the communities. The judging will be done by an independent group.

Adrienne – Yes, it will be an independent anonymous group.

Tim - The group will be as fair as they can make it. The group has done this before. There should not be any issues with conflict of interest.

Adrienne - She said the Town's will not know who the judges are.

Rod - This has been addressed in the meetings, is this a common question asked?

Adrienne - They have learned from past programs.

Rod - So my question is a commonly asked question?

Adrienne – She is the one who brought it up in our meeting, I don't know how common it is.

Tim - Everybody that puts interest in this wants to make sure it is fair. There will be no political influence, it is truly independent. It also includes our community.

Mayor Crawford - "Downtown Events" - Connie Allen

Connie- Spring Fest is on April 13 - I have taken the wooden boards to Richlands High School to have them make our Spring Fest billboards. I hope to have the signs up by next week. Lowes donated eight (8) of the ¾" plywood to make all the event signs. I am working on the props and the activities for the events. We have seventeen vendors signed up to sell at the event. There are other vendors interested just waiting to receive application. Classy Closet is working on the details of the Fashion Show. Victor Lawson will be playing music in the parking lot beside of the Post Office. Clinch Valley Health is participating with a Teddy Bear Clinic for the children. It is my understanding the Committee of the Section House will be participating. I have several volunteers already signed up to help with the event.

Rod - We are participating, we will let you know what we decide to do.

Connie - I have received several vendor applications for the May Yard Sale, Craft and Vendor Show on June 7-8 and Summer Fest on July 13.

Connie - I will try to get people to participate with the Farmers Market this year. It has been hard to get vendors to participate since we don't have a lot of farmers in this area.

Mayor Crawford - Are you going to have food at the Spring Fest?

Connie - Yes, "Eat with Otis" and "It's The Pits Barbecue". A lot of the vendors have already booked for bigger events. This year will be a challenge but once we are established I think it will be easier.

Connie - We mentioned several months ago that we wanted to apply for a grant to get a LOVEwork sign. The Mayor asked that I check on the price of the LOVEwork sign from Vance Graphics. They did the LOVEwork sign in Tazewell, which was dedicated last month. The approximate cost is \$2000. The Mayor suggested a design with a tornado on it; I can email you a copy of the design. We need to decide of where the LOVEwork sign will be placed. The grant is for \$1500 but there are stipulations. The sign must be visible and where a lot of people travel. We cannot submit the application until we decide where the LOVEwork sign will be placed.

Mary Ann - How long do you have to work on the location of the sign?

Connie - We would like to decide as soon as possible.

Tim - Is there a time frame on the application?

Connie –We must submit the application, no timeframe, first-come, first-serve basis. I need a confirmed location and approved design of the LOVEwork sign. You can look on the website of the different designs. The location should determine the design of the LOVEwork Sign.

Rod - Can you email to us?

Connie - Yes

Mayor Crawford - The LOVEwork sign location does go on the VA Tourism website. People make a tour to see all the LOVEwork signs. It could bring people into the area. I think a good place would be in front of the mural at the Section House. If we can't put it there I would like to put in the lawn at the Town Hall. We need to put somewhere where we can be proud of it. We need to apply sooner than later.

Rod - I think the Section House is an option to consider. The sign in Tazewell is at the Tazewell County Historical Society building. The Section House is a prime location; it is in the center of Town. It is a unique location. I don't like the tornado on the design.

Mary Ann - Since Tazewell already has their sign, I don't want to keep waiting. I make a motion that Connie Allen, Mayor Crawford and a member of the Town staff designated by Manager Tim Taylor to have a three (3) person committee to select a location and design for the LOVEwork sign and move forward. Vickie seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second to move forward with the LOVEwork sign, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 6/0.

Connie - Do we move forward with the committee's decision or do we need to present back to Council?

Council Members - Just do it.

Mayor Crawford - "Council Member Reports" – Rod Cury

Rod - The Planning Commission meeting was postponed, the next meeting will be on March 19, if Tim wants to cover in his report from the RDA. He went to RDA to seek \$4000 additional dollars for the study of the walking trail to determine the cost of the walking trail. The meeting is March 19. Randy, Chairman of the Planning Commission is aware of the meeting and the members will be notified of the meeting. At the next meeting, I would like to get the information together that we need to consider updating the zoning in an area of the Brick Yard, the area needs a second look. Virginia Hart is excellent at being our secretary.

Rod - At the last meeting we had talked about the grant proposal, I asked who the team was. Have you had a chance to identify who the team is?

Tim - Not entirely, my thoughts were to get the representative from Friends of Southwest Virginia to come to talk to us. There would be questions that can't be answered by her and could also talk about the scope of service. It is not changing the scope of work.

Rod – During the cold weather I had several people to call me and said they were thankful our power did not go off.

Rod - The Cub Scouts came to the Section House tonight. I would like to thank Donna Altizer who is on the Section House Committee and Greg Horn who did some technical work for us. We were only expecting around 10 scouts, but we had about 19. They are paving their way in life. The Cub Scouts were mostly 3rd and 4th graders. What happened tonight at the Section House was something you should all have witnessed. These children we totally engaged with what the lesson was. Donna opened with a presentation about what the Section Foreman House is and how they would understand it. I took over and I thought, what would they know about the Section House and how can we relate to them. I thought about 911 but it would be too terrifying to little children. All of them knew about War World II. I would like to thank Greg Horn, I sent him the links and you can look at the links online. I found a great link with u-tube video (sound) of the announcement of the bombing of Pearl Harbor on Sunday Dec.7, 1941. Half of the children at that young age knew exactly what we were talking about. We had a radio on and behind was a speaker he had fixed; the children were very engaged. I cannot tell you the value of it. We talked about it; I brought three (3) globes and maps. We had hands on, in the floor having a great time, learning about history. And the fact the people living in the house on Dec. 7, 1941 probably had the radio on and were listening to the broadcast. On Dec. 8 was when Franklin Roosevelt gave his most famous speech. The kids knew it, or they know it now. I want to thank the Scouts for coming. This helps the kids earn badges, one of the important things they must visit a local place of historic significance. Thank you, Teresa Lockhart and Chris Blankenship, for bringing the Cub Scout Troop to the Section House.

Rod - We want to wrap the project up at the Section House by June 30. We have sold quite a few bricks and they are already here. We are having a second campaign to sell bricks. They are \$50 each. We need minimum of 100. If someone here or someone listening who has a desire to buy a brick in memory or honoring someone in their life or a group, they can come to the Town Hall and get the form or can go Downtown Richlands Inc. the website which represents the Section House. I would like to publicly ask for your support. The Town appreciates it and so does the Committee.

Rod - The fluoride has been on our mind for a long time and I have personally been convinced it is a good thing. I would like to make a motion that the Town of Richlands adds fluoride to the water. Vickie seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion?

Doug - I do have a few comments, most developed countries don't even use fluoride, 97% of Europe does not use it, and they have no more cavities than we do. Top reasons to oppose water fluoridation, it is the only medical procedure that is not given permission by the individual. That is the only one. If you go to the hospital you have to give permission. This is a medical procedure and you are never given the chance to say yes, I want it or no I don't. Fluoride is not an essential, people are exposed to fluoride by ways of toothpaste, foods, it builds up in the soil, they are exposed to a lot of fluoride which they would not need in water. One dose does not fit everyone. Who knows how much fluoride I need or how much a child needs. There is not a wide spread of the understanding of how fluoride interacts with other chemicals. Does it really work for tooth decay? There have been studies that show it does not even work, you can go on the internet and check it out. Fluoride comes from fertilizer. I don't want to ingest something that comes from fertilizer. It discriminates against the low-income people. Why does it do that? I drink bottled water and most of you do here, but low-income family mixes their Enfamil with water, they can't afford to buy bottled water. Children from 1-3 years of age are more susceptible for an overdose. It really discriminates against our poor families. It also poses a threat to our animals. There are 51 reasons, which I could read but you can read for yourself of the different diseases it is suspected

of causing or adding to. I understand there is two opposing philosophies on both sides. They are great people and doctors, but what if the ones that oppose fluoride are right. What if, think about it. We don't even know if fluoride works. Is it more important to take a chance when it is destroying our whole body? It might be a good point within two (2) years and you check this out. A lot people say on the internet it is fake news, fluoride is not true, who oppose it, well we are going to find out. There is a lawsuit working its way thru the courts in Florida. Within two (2) years a lot of people that think it is good is going to have to prove it. All the disease it causes it will be in the courts and they are going to bring it forth. If that lawsuit succeeds they will outlaw thru out the United States anyway. I guess we will keep our eyes out on the lawsuit.

Dr. Adair - May we respond to that?

Mayor Crawford - No sir, with due respect, you made your point quite well when you made your presentation.

Richard - Mr. Taylor, as part of the Town water system are we a member of the American Water Association?

Tim – Yes, we are.

Vickie - How many years was fluoride in our water system before the equipment broke down?

Tim - It has been in the system since I have been the Town Manager.

Vickie - The issue we are dealing with now, a piece of equipment broke, and it must be replaced to get the fluoride back into the water system. There has been fluoride in our water since I have lived Town limits. I have lived in the Town limits since 1990. My children grew up with fluoride. I do drink tap water. It has been in our water for years, it roughly went out of our water last year. I don't understand why there is such a big ordeal of putting fluoride back into the system.

Doug - There are 144 communities in the United States that have taken it out. They went thru the history of proposing fluoride, it is hard to take it back, they have to go out on a limb since they have proposed so long. It has been there so long, look at all the diseases that it may have contributed to. We have a lady that lives in Town if she drinks the water it is deathly poisonous to her. Another problem that we might have, all the workers are scared to death of it because it is poisonous. You are going to have a hard time keeping workers at the Water Plant. I promise you that. It is alright to say hey I want fluoride in the water, but when you order employees of the Town to work with poison. I would have a little conscious about that. If I could not do it or would not do it, I would not ask someone else to. Mark my words you will have people to resign and refuse to work with the fluoride. You are going to have a hard time keeping people at the Water Plant. They work with it every day and they know how poisonous it is and they are afraid of it. We have some of the greatest workers in Town, but no one is infallible. A Town in North Carolina overdose with fluoride and they had to shut their water system down for six (6) weeks. That is a true fact. It is an accident waiting to happen. You say it causing no harm the other side says it does, causes many diseases.

Richard - What would the employees do if the State said it is required by the Town, would they comply then and do what they are told to do?

Doug - The employee would have to make his choice on what to do.

Richard - That is his choice now with fluoride.

Doug - If he wants to fool with death or wants his job. I think it is unfair for us to ask someone to fool with poison when we don't have to do it ourselves.

Vickie - They did it until the machine broke. It all boils down to a piece of machinery broke. We had fluoride for years.

Mayor Crawford - I would like to make one heart felt statement, Rod's support of fluoride or Doug's opposition and based on what it cost or does not cost, I have heard that tossed around I don't think it issue here. With that in mind we have a motion and second.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 4/2 - Rick – No, Doug- No

Mayor Crawford – “Council Member Reports” – Vickie England

Vickie – My comment is to do with abandoned property, singlewides and residential. This is my third year on the Town Council and this has been discussed for three (3) years and I have brought up on more than one occasion. I went to Hidden Valley and there is a mattress propped up against a light pole. There is property in Brooklyn that is abandoned, we have a trailer abandoned on Farmer Street. I have been told there is an ordinance for our Town but needs to be tougher to do something about these properties. We have a new Town Attorney and if the ordinances are not strong enough to get these properties cleaned up then we need to ask our attorney to review the ordinance. When I was coming over here there was a dishwasher parked on the street on Lee Street. I am a realtor and I was ticked off. I have worked for 32 years in this community and to promote this community. I see the lack of the pride in ownership going downhill, we must do something to be able to clean up our Town. How can we bring people in and show property in Hidden Valley and a mattress propped up against light pole? We need to get this mess cleaned up.

Mayor Crawford – “Council Member Reports” – Rick Wood

Rick – Habitat for Humanity wants property in our Town to build homes in our area. Can we do something? They want to build houses, we are not doing nothing to get them started.

Tim - Some of the homes you see here, they need to be torn down. I think we could use that property if we can work out with the land owners. I don't know what the taxes are, but that is one avenue that we could look at. We may be able to acquire ownership of some of these properties; they need to be torn down anyway.

Shannon - I know there are some procedures in the State code which would allow, if the Town wanted, to spend money by offering to repair or tear down those structures and give the bill to the land owner. You can put a lien on the property for that work. What we have now in the Town ordinances is a procedure where the Town Council recognizes and determines something is a nuisance, they can by ordinance, require the land owner or the tenant of the nuisance to fix the issue. The Town can criminally charge a violator of an ordinance with a misdemeanor. That charge carries a \$2500 fine or 12 months in jail. Certainly, the procedure is now if a complaint is made by the public and placed before the Council, Town Official or Code Enforcement Officer it can be brought to the Council. The Council issues a summons to the landowner to require him or her to appear and explain the situation to the Town. The Council can determine if it is a nuisance under the ordinance. Then, if it is, the landowner will be required to get rid of it.

Rick - So can we work on something to help them? They want to build houses.

Shannon - As far as getting ownership of the property it will take time.

Rick - We may be able to get some of the people to say take the property, if there were some we could pay the taxes and take over.

Shannon - First thing we need to do is to identify the properties and the tenants, then contact them. We can say this may be coming down the pike, we may bring you before the Council and ask why this the way it is. If we don't get a response, we can bring them before the Council, you can inquire why and when are you going to fix it.

Rick - Holes on the bridge on Second Street. I get calls all the time, I know you are doing everything you can.

Tim - We are repairing, we have to wait on weather.

Mayor Crawford - "Council Member Reports" – Doug Ratliff

Doug – I would like for Jerry to speak on what kind of shape our police cars are in. It takes at least three (3) months to have one (1) delivered. I would like for Council to consider ordering at least one (1) police car. Jerry, would you speak about the shape of the police cars.

Jerry – We have several of the old "Crown Vic" cars. We are spending quite bit of money keeping them repaired. I have spoken to Mr. Taylor and we are looking at some options to put some new vehicles in place. When we prepare the budget, we are also preparing to look at those. As of right now we do have some "Crown Vic" cars giving us a lot of trouble, but we are trying to keep them going. Currently for the first time we are full staff and we utilize all the vehicles.

Doug - Since it takes three (3) months, would like for Mr. Taylor to figure out how to buy at least one (1) vehicle, if we have consensus with the Council.

Mayor Crawford - Do we need to put in form of a motion?

Doug – I make the motion that within three (3) months Mr. Taylor can find money in the budget to at least buy one (1) new cruiser. Mary Ann seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion?

Tim – We don't have capital for police cars, so we basically appropriate the money when the auditors look at the books. I don't know what the delivery dates are. We may want to look at different type of vehicle. If you appropriate the money it will give us something to report back on.

Jerry - If the money is appropriated we could make contact with the different manufactures. I know we have had quite bit of trouble with the Chargers. We thought about looking at other options, maybe the Ford Explorer or Dodge Durango SUV vehicles as far as price. I have spoken with my Lieutenants and we may consider switching to a different vehicle because of some of the issues we continue to have with the Chargers.

Tim - If you agree to do this we can start the process.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second to appropriate for at least one (1) police cruiser, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries –6/0.

Rick - I would like to say with the trails and things coming, probably the Explorer SUV type might be something you would want to consider. A car is not going to go off the road that well.

Jerry - We got a couple of Explorers. At first, we had some issues but the past the Explorers have given us good service.

Doug - I know Washington County is going to a lot of SUVs.

Jerry - I understand the Virginia State Police may be going toward that direction too.

Mayor Crawford – "Council Member Reports" – Richard Brown

Richard – On 1211, 4th Street, it is my understanding the Town fixed a sink hole, something to do with the drain. They had to cut the people’s driveway and it has been graveled since August.

Tim - We had a discussion on that the other day. We need to patch, we didn’t have time to do in the Fall.

Richard - I think the gavels are causing them some issues now.

Tim - We can fix the gravels, when it gets warmer we will get some mix and fix the driveway.

Richard - The wall on Valley Drive it was discussed last month at Mr. Matney’s.

Tim – I have not had a chance to talk to the owner personally, I think I need to do that. I don’t think we can force him to do anything. I need to talk to Shannon on the issue, it is a public nuisance but may be hard to justify. We can pick the brick up tomorrow.

Richard - Can we get that done?

Tim – Yes

Richard - Some major issues on Front Street at Elizabeth Manor. I would like to be proactive instead of reactive on cleaning that tree up. We need to take care of before it comes down in the road and knocks down the power lines.

Tim - We have investigated the tree. Several of the Council Members and citizens were concerned. We chose to do nothing on the tree at this point. We are very confident it is rooted enough and embedded in the ground. The problem with moving the tree right now is the same problem as the road, the soil is not very stable at this point, very wet. Our plans are once it is dry, get a piece of equipment and move the tree. The dip in the road, there has been movement. We investigated up above Mr. Keene’s house. Some of the soil off the mountain has slid against his house. We have a driveway drain but is not sufficiently getting the water to where it needs to be. We put in a new driveway pipe for that part of it to help get the water into the pipe and get to the river quickly. We have investigated at the base of the mountain at the railroad. We have had the railroad folks investigate to make sure it is not all the way down. We have had that in the past. We believe the water on the hill has been redirected to that area. It is a natural drain. We are pretty comfortable when they built the road they shot the rock where the road was, and it is a natural drain. We are pretty comfortable it is not going to move anymore. We are going to go behind the house and try to get better drainage off the hill.

Richard - What about the slide at the apartment building?

Tim – We can’t figure out if that wall is broken, the holes are the bigger concern.

Richard - I want to be proactive instead of reactive. If something happens we are going to be shut down for days. Do we need to get experts to come in?

Tim - If we need to we can call VDOT to help us. The road is stable there, will just be rock in the road. We are going to have to watch very close. I am more concerned with the dip in the road.

Richard - Is someone watching that?

Tim – Yes, I have been up there multiple times and the Street Department has too. If there is any concern of safety I will get experts in here. I want the public to know that too.

Richard - The tree is an issue.

Tim – If we try to take down now we will have some problems. It is too wet. I am worried more about the other. I don’t think the tree is coming down.

Mayor Crawford - "Council Member Reports" - Mary Ann Strong

Mary Ann – I meant to mention at our last Council Meeting the success of the 6th Annual Winter Honey Festival. I was out of Town but know many of you attended. It was a huge success. It continues to grow and attracts a lot of people to the area. Having said all that, I think Dr. John Willis deserves recognition. Dr. Willis created the idea. I know he could not do without the support of the Town and the people who help but I would like to make a motion to honor Dr. John Willis with a "Resolution" for his six (6) years of work and bringing the Winter Honey Festival to our community. I would like to present the Resolution to Dr. Willis at our April meeting. Richard seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries –6/0.

Mary Ann - More positive news, the RHS Softball Girls Team are getting lights at the Richlands High School field. There was a lengthy story on WVVA last night. We were in the news in a positive way, I was proud for Richlands. I talked to Coach Ronnie Davis and he is so appreciative of the Town of Richlands. We had a big part in helping them get the grant from Baseball America. They have a scrimmage today. He hopes to schedule and bring the team to publicly thank the Council in April. That is another way the economy will benefit. If you have night games you can have Middle School, Jr. Varsity and Varsity softball games played in Town. People eat before and after games. Coach Davis wanted me to thank the Town for our part in the grant. Young Life will have their Annual Banquet April 25 at the SVCC. Many of you come last year and hope you will come again this year. On April 20 there is going to be a River cleanup at Critterville. That will be done by Teen Venture, Cub Scouts and the Kiwanis Club. I would like for the Town to help with the mulch at Critterville. It is in really bad shape. I would like to ask if the Town could provide a tractor trailer load of mulch and I have the specific type they would like to have, it could be delivered on the 18 or 19 of April. Kids from Teen Venture, students from the Key Club and Cub Scouts will distribute. It would be a 1/3 topping of mulch at Critterville.

Mayor Crawford - Do we need a motion to get that taken care of?

Tim - That would be good.

Mary Ann – I make a motion that the Town would provide Critterville with a tractor trailer load for specific chipped hardwood mulch without bark and be delivered on April 18 or 19. The volunteers will distribute at Critterville. Rick seconded the motion.

Tim - I know the mulch must be approved. We have a company that we purchase from all the time. The mulch should not be an issue, timing could be a problem. We will have to see if we can get it delivered by that date. It has to be a certain type of mulch, liability issue due to splinters, etc.

Mary Ann - Dr. Harrison, if we can't get that spec type here by that date what would the preference be, to wait, or do you have a second choice?

Dr. Harrison - April is a better month, we need in the Spring. If we could get it dumped in the parking lot and the Town use their bobcats to put 1/3 on the bottom lot and 2/3 on the top, we will bring people in with wheel barrels and get it distributed.

Mary Ann - If you can't get that type please contact Dr. Harrison.

Tim - I will let you know as soon as I find out something.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 6/0.

Mary Ann - The Rec Commission met as scheduled on Feb. 18 and will meet again next Monday on March 18 at 7:30 upstairs at the Rec Park. We welcome anyone with suggestions or concerns to come and meet with us. We didn't realize that the Section House was still selling bricks, we apologize, and we are also selling tiles for the walls at the Rec Park. Each tile is \$50, the forms are at the Town Hall. We are not marketing hard right now due to the Section House selling brick.

Rod - Mary Ann would you consider amending your motion for the Committee on the "LOVEwork" sign.

Mary Ann - I amend the motion for the Committee for the "LOVEwork" sign of Connie Allen, Mayor Crawford, Rod Cury, and a member of the Town staff designated by Manager Tim Taylor, Vickie seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries - 6/0.

Mayor Crawford - "Mayor's Comments"

Mayor Crawford - I gave each of you a handout which fits into the discussions that we had before. Page 1 - House on North Street just off Farmer Street - It is grown up with vines, looks like it is abandoned. I would like to see this put on the priority list to cleaning up of the Town. Part of my campaign was to try to clean up the Town. Tim, I would like for you to give us a monthly update on the specific things we are talking about. On the bottom of the page is on Kents Ridge Road just out of the brickyard is a mattress lying beside of a telephone pole, not on owner's property. Page 2 - Valley Point - 200ft. from the street looks like someone created a trash dump, back side of a trailer park. It is terrible, needs to be cleaned up. We could ask owners to clean up, but I don't think that is going to happen. I went and visited Clinch Valley Action this week and they have people who have misdemeanors, they are allowed to work off their debt. They will furnish people to help clean this mess up. We have to commit to give them garbage bags and whatever they need and one (1) town employee with them all the time. I don't think we should let the opportunity pass to use these people to get a mess cleaned up. There is a trailer in the left-hand corner of Farmer's Street that is abandoned, doors open, windows broken. Third page - trailer in Elkins Trailer Park, on the right-hand side of the road - it is abandoned. We need to get it cleaned up. If you go out on Farmer's Street on the left you will see the next two (2) pictures, vehicles not licensed, vehicles cannot be idle, and you can't have a vehicle up on blocks which you see in the picture.

Jerry - We had an officer working on non-operational motor vehicles today. We are serving notices on them.

Mayor Crawford - The last page - Town's lot beside of Railroad Avenue - It looks as bad as some of the places on Farmer's Street, unfortunately this belongs to the Town. I think we need to clean our own house if we are going to expect others to clean theirs up. Mr. Tim! We did discuss before the meeting. The other pictures are on Hill Creek Road, trees growing out into the creek, if the water rises everything is going to get caught and dam up the bridge. There is a drain that someone puts rocks and other things, so they can take four wheelers across. It stops the drain up.

Rick - They dug it out last year and the people keep putting it back. I went and looked at everything, Tim and Town workers went and dug out and the people put back in in a few months. Someone needs to do something, so they can't put anything back.

Mayor Crawford - They put poles there.

Mayor Crawford - Any updates on data base for contractors that was requested last meeting?

Tim - We didn't produce but we have it.

Mayor Crawford - What I am talking about, if I am going to have some work done on my house I am going to hire "Billy Bob" to do the work, can I call the Town Hall to see if "Billy Bob" is a license contractor?

Tim - We have instructed our Clerks or anyone answering the phone if they have valid license they can answer that but cannot talk about the quality of work. People do call us. Sometimes we do refer them to Lowe's, they have a list.

Mayor Crawford - Can we put on the Access channel that people can call?

Richard - If they operate in Town they have to have a business license.

Tim - The code is they have to do a certain amount of work before they need a license. We will have to take a look at that. They can do a smaller job and not need a license.

Mayor Crawford - The area around Critterville it appears we have cut brush down on the lower end. The brush is stacked, people concern it will attract snakes, etc.

Tim - We just need to pick up.

Mayor Crawford - In the shelter a park bench looks like it has been run over by a coal truck. I don't know if it is repairable, we need to do something with it.

Tim - It was vandalism; don't know if it can be repaired.

Mayor Crawford - In the past at dusk, we locked the Critterville Park to keep anyone going in, if it possible to do that again?

Tim - If you put up a gate could be more activity, we have street lights, it they can patrol safer for the people.

Mayor Crawford - You are putting up cameras correct?

Tim - Yes, we have to get some fiber over there.

Mayor Crawford - Concern of some people in Town who are getting papers in plastic bags they are tossed in their driveway or yard. A lot of people like the paper but some that don't. I checked with the paper and there is a 1-800 on the paper you can call and opt out.

Mayor Crawford - Signage for the Crane place, we had tractor trailers that supply the cranes, they can't go over the tracks in the Brick Yard, they have to come up and go into the Dalton Addition and back down Farmer Street. The problem is they miss the Farmer Street turn. I suggest putting up signage at both turn ends to that area and one up at Farmer's Street to advise them to go a certain direction.

Rick - Are they going out in Farmer Street?

Mayor Crawford - They turn up on VA Avenue and what they want to do is go to Farmer Street back down into the Brick Yard and get to the place they are going, they can't get across at Food Lion, it is too steep.

Rick - They need to go across Veterans Bridge, they need to work with Richlands and come by Little General and go in. They would have to block the lane for a few minutes if they would come in and come down a one-way street. That would solve the whole problem. That is what I would suggest.

Tim - They can come out of Fairfax and do the same thing.

Rick – Can't make it turn, if the Richlands Police Department works with them and schedule when they are coming in they can go across Veterans Bridge.

Mayor Crawford - They do a great job escorting cranes out of there. We need to give some thought.

Rick – Signs need to be put up either way.

Mayor Crawford - Several people ask me about homeless in Richlands, Chief Gilbert do you know of any?

Jerry – We do not have a problem with the homeless. We have a gentleman staying under the bridge next to McDonalds, we offered services, but he refuses. A couple weeks ago he was wet and naked the officers took him to the hospital. The hospital staff called and ask if we could assist but he refused. If we have anyone in Town that needs a place, we work thru Clinch Valley Community Action or other programs to try and help. We have a warming station at the Police Department.

Mayor Crawford - Anybody that knows of a situation of a homeless person can they contact the Police Department.

Jerry - We will offer our services and work with them.

Mayor Crawford – In talking with some of the Town employees they were telling me they have some items that they used years ago in the Town. They have a cup in the break room, they used to pour the metal, I would like for us to look at the possibility of those things being placed in the hall of the Town Hall, so people can come a look at it. It is not usable but would be a cool thing to do.

Mayor Crawford – I mentioned in last month's meeting about food trucks coming into Town and setting up to sell. It is nice to have especially at our Festivals. Advance Auto invites "It's the Pits Barbeque" to sell at his place. They set up in Town four (4) times last year. For them to set up it cost \$250 license. I think that is high. The reason I brought up last month the guy from Advance Auto approached me about the issue. I was thinking could we have some kind of fee other than a business licenses, so people could come in and sell legally. I think we should. I talked to "It's The Pits Barbecue" operator and he was planning to buy a business license all along. If we could invite someone in here four (4) or five (5) times a year pay the fee with the property owner's permission. I think it would be very open as a Town. Some vendors don't want to set up in Richlands. They say Richlands is a hostile environment and always bothers them. I would like for us think about a \$25 fee and welcome people in. It is a special kind food that people like.

Rick - I would like to make a motion \$25 per event for food trucks, Vickie seconded the motion.

Mary Ann - I love food trucks and I am a fan of them. I think the motion should be more specific if there are events that we have planned. If I own a restaurant and I have overhead, meal taxes, employees and the truck comes at random times and take my business.

Rick - I think it is a different thing. It is like the "Snap on Truck" versus Lowes. They are only coming for one (1) day. They are not selling the same food, not the same category.

Mary Ann - I am not against it but I think we need to be more specific. If you take from restaurants in Town and invite them in, I think we need to be more specific and not hurt our businesses. I am not against them just need to be more specific.

Rod - I understand the point, Mary Ann has a good point we need to be more specific on how we word it, safeguard our local business.

Rick - Whoever is hosting the event has to have a Town business license.

Mary Ann - What does host an event mean?

Rick – Advance Auto has a car show and they want to have “It’s The Pit’s Barbecue” at the event. If they have Town business license they can host an event. I don’t think just anybody can have an event.

Tim - They can do that as long as the business keeps up with the gross receipts. I think it will be more than a vote tonight I think it will be an ordinance change.

Shannon - What I will be willing to do is see what the similar Towns are doing with the food trucks and see what they do for the licenses. I am sure there are trucks that go from event to event. I will check with other jurisdictions and see how they license.

Tim - We have Schwans, we can look at that. It is a little more complicated, but it is worth reviewing.

Rick - How many food trucks have we ever had in Richlands? We want more food trucks to come to Richlands. What I am working on involves food trucks. The Back of the Dragon that we are working on in Tazewell right now, they let the food trucks come in and compete. The one that wins is the majority of the people that buys from them. They can stay all week for free.

Mary Ann - I think it would be good to find out how Tazewell handles the food trucks. During our events I would like to see a lot of food trucks.

Rick - They pay \$40 a year.

Richard – Tim, if you converted the \$250 license, what is the gross amt. they would have to pay.

Tim - \$0.20 a hundred

Richard - What would that convert in sales if they pay the \$250?

Tim – Would be over \$100,000.

Richard - Jerry for instance is not going to sell \$100,000 but he has to pay the \$250. That is what we are trying to get rid of.

Tim - I agree, needs some changes.

Rick - Tazewell and Bluefield charge \$40 a year.

Mayor Crawford – Rick, can you withdraw your motion and ask the attorney to find out what we need to do?

Tim - The food trucks that are here for the events are exempt, it is a Town sponsored event. They pay a set-up fee of \$50.

Rick - Can we let food trucks operate in the Town of Richlands free until we get this work out?

Tim - It is against the ordinance.

Mayor Crawford - Can we take a vote on doing that?

Rick - I want to bring people in.

Rod – Shannon how long do you think it would take to research?

Shannon - I can probably get something for you by next week, next Wednesday.

Rod - I think it will take a little bit of research, so we can handle property.

Mayor Crawford - We want to do that.

Shannon - I can get something together and email Tim and he can circulate the information.

Mayor Crawford - It will take some time.

Tim - Can we waive the fee?

Shannon - I will check into that. Should be able to get something to you by Friday afternoon.

Rick - Can we waive the fee for 90 days until we get things worked out?

Mary Ann - What do you mean by waive the fee?

Tim - If the law allows waiving a license fee for 90 days for a specific purpose of what you are talking about, example of food truck, not sure we can do that.

Shannon - I will have to check into it.

Tim - The ordinance needs to be looked at. I do think it is unfair.

Rick - Let's just waive the fee for now.

Mayor Crawford - Can you make amend your motion to waive the fee for 90 days?

Connie - Tazewell County Health Dept. called me last week, food vendors need to fill out application and pay \$40.

Rick - I pay \$250 per year in Richlands, \$40 in Tazewell and Bluefield. We are putting ourselves out of business.

Mary Ann - Specialty foods like ice cream and snow cones, I just want to use caution when competing with our restaurants.

Rick – They are not going to compete with restaurants.

Mayor Crawford - Can you consider changing your motion to waive the fee for 90 days. Shannon you can get the facts together to make a decision.

Rick - I would like to make the motion to waive the fee for peddlers' licenses for Town of Richlands for 90 days, Richard I seconded the motion. (If it is legal)

Mary Ann - Any type of food truck can come in Town limits and sell for free, correct?

Rick - The goal is to get the fee to \$40.

Rod – Richard, are you saying if the motion is legal.

Richard - I seconded the motion.

Rod - What if we find out it is illegal?

Mayor Crawford - I guess Jerry will put us in jail.

Mary Ann - I like food trucks and I am in favor of them for special events. We need to lower the \$250 fee, but I can't support any and all food trucks for 90 days to compete against local business.

Mayor Crawford - Mayor Crawford- We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries - 5/1. (Mary Ann – No)

Tim - It does not waive the license, they still have to come and get the license, just waives the fee.

Mayor Crawford – “Manager’s Report” – Tim Taylor

Tim - Authorization to Pay Bills, please take a moment to look at the monthly check register.

Mayor Crawford - Any questions on the check register?

Mary Ann - What is Gibson Enterprises, Inc. - \$3913.12, check number 59669.

Tim – Motor oil, transmission fluid that type of product, we buy in bulk.

Rod - Check No. 59650- \$734.00 to Bradley D. Hess.

Tim - He worked on the Rescue garage doors.

Richard - Check No. 59675 – Jim Terry Shortt, II, ESQ, PC - \$127.98 – prior to Mr. Cooke coming on board.

Rod - Check No. 59685- Ratliff Law Firm - \$22.00

Tim – He had a receipt for recording an ordinance.

Mary Ann - I make a motion to authorize Mr. Taylor to pay the bills, Rod seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford- We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries - 6/0.

Tim - Rate for the January bill came in lower than the budget for cost of the electricity, total sales actuals came in 1.6% lower than forecast. It is best to look at year-to-date on the charts, page 2 of the charts. Overall we are performing as we expected.

Doug - What is your reserve now?

Adrienne - I don't know what it is today. I can call and let you know.

Mayor Crawford - Can you put in an email to all of us?

Mayor Crawford - Wholesale power cost, if I look at what we budgeted and actual this month \$297,000 gain.

Tim – For the power supply?

Mayor Crawford – Yes

Tim - This is year- to- date budget.

Mayor Crawford - If I look at total sales the budget is \$39,899 and the actual is \$38,826, we should gain quite a bit, correct?

Tim – Yes, projection is for shoulder months which is from March to June.

Tim - Fire and Rescue Cost Analysis Report - I will be distributing to Council, I have two (2) reports that are not complete, but I will go ahead and give you a copy. As soon as I get the appendices I will give to you next week.

Rick - We have dead line on fire truck, when is that up?

Tim - Keith has in his report to talk about it. It is a very large capital expenditure; we will have to borrow money. It will be in the first budget work session in April. Good news hospitalization did not go up. We are still working on insurance. Hope to have the budget work session in the first or second week of April.

Tim - Clinch River Trail, we signed the “Memorandum of Understanding” with Friends of Southwest Virginia for \$26,000, we have not received the signed copy back. We met with the RDA and ask for \$4000 to give us a total budget for \$30,000 for our project and it was approved. I would like to thank Tazewell County RDA. We will talk about in our Planning Commission meeting on the 19th. The meeting is open to the public if anyone would like to join.

Tim – Most phone systems that everyone has are IP phones. Frank is working on looking at the different types of phones that will meet the governmental function on what we need. We have some proposals out there for product lines. When you go from copper to IP phones, provides a lot of features but you will lose some other functions connecting to the Police Department. We will keep some cooper lines for back up. It will enhance a lot of features connecting with Tazewell and 911 Center for emergency response will have two (2) internet providers and we will have one more for cell phones. Hope to have complete before the fiscal year.

Tim - We had a massive water break this weekend, a few people out of water for a suspended amount of time. I want to thank the customers for being patient with us. Some of the lines we have are 100 years old.

Richard - The school wanted to thank the Town with their help on the sewer line at the school.

Mayor Crawford - At this time I need a motion for the Mayor and Members of Council to convene in executive closed session for the purpose of discussion as permitted by Subsection (A) (5) of Section 2.2-3711 Prospective Business and Subsection (A) (6) Section 2.2-3711- Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the government unit would be adversely affected.

Rod - I make the motion to convene, Rick seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 6/0.

Mayor Crawford – I now entertain a motion that the Members of Council reconvene in open session and accept the Certificate of Executive Session certifying that the matters discussed while in executive session were those both lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened. Connie please call roll.

Rick- I make the motion for Council to return from “Closed Session”, Rod seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - Connie please call roll

Connie - Vickie – Yes, Rick-Yes, Doug-Yes, Richard-Yes, Rod – Yes, Mary Ann – Yes, Mayor-Yes

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 6/0.

Mayor Crawford - I want to thank everyone who came tonight and your input, it has been a late meeting, but I feel it has been a good meeting.

Rick - I make the motion to adjourn, Vickie seconded the motion.

Mayor Crawford - We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes. All those that oppose say no. Motion carries – 6/0.

Adjourned.

Paul Crawford, Mayor

Connie Allen, Town Clerk