

# **TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**May 8, 2018**

The Seven Devils Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at Town Hall. Present were Larry Fontaine, Brad Lambert, Kay Ehlinger, David Ehmig and Tina Bailey. Also present were Town Attorney Rob Angle and Town Manager Debbie Powers, the minutes were recorded by Hillary Gropp, Town Clerk.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fontaine called the meeting to order at 5:32PM.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council members and citizens recited the Pledge of Allegiance

## **ADOPT AGENDA**

Member Ehlinger made a motion to adopt the agenda; Mayor Pro-Tem Lambert seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ADOPT MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING & TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – April 10, 2018**

**ADOPT MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP FY19 - April 18, 2018**

Member Ehmig made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Lambert seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

## **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Kay Lambert – **430 Wildcat Rocks Road** – Arbor Day Celebration was on April 27<sup>th</sup>; thank you to Town Hall Staff, Public Works Department, and Public Safety, this event was sponsored by TDA. Operation Medicine Cabinet took place on April 28<sup>th</sup> at Foscoe Fire Department and thank you to Fire Chief Bobby Powell who volunteered his time.

Additionally, Assistant Police Chief Jimmy Keener was assisting at the event; Resident volunteers included Mike Tarlton, Brad & Kay Lambert. SafetyFest will occur on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>; a volunteer sign-up sheet is located at Town Hall.

Anne Fontaine – **127 West Rocky Top** – The Recreation Commission has been very busy planning activities during the summer. A rack card featuring the calendar was mailed in the recent utility billing. The next Recreation Commission meeting is Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> and it will be followed by a special meeting for the “The Hawk”.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE**

Manager Powers provided the following update:

A death due to medical reasons had occurred the previous night in the Woodwinds Community.

Debbie Powers and Frank Sell will attend a Planning Board workshop in Asheville on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, Debbie will attend another workshop on Public Employment Law.

The Recreational Needs Survey was mailed on April 6<sup>th</sup> to 575 recipients and replies will be accepted until June 1<sup>st</sup>; to date, 106 have been returned. Additional hiking trails is the top requested item in the survey.

The new Town Zoning Map is updated as of April 10, 2018; the Kathe Annexation is completed.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day.

Grant updates: RTP Grant has passed the 1<sup>st</sup> step, 2<sup>nd</sup> application due July 13<sup>th</sup>; PARTF was submitted on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

As part of the planned Otter Falls parking lot expansion the Town is waiting for the survey work to be completed.

The Town Council held a Budget workshop on April 18<sup>th</sup>. A public hearing will occur in June for the Budget Ordinance FY19.

A Uniform Guidance webinar on April 24<sup>th</sup> was attended by Debbie Powers, Helga Sappington and Bobby Powell.

The Arbor Day celebration occurred at Town Hall on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>; due to weather conditions it was held inside. Lunch was provided and 47 attended.

Operation Medicine Cabinet was held on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at Foscoe Fire Department.

A new sign is now displayed for the Belle Fields Memorial Book Exchange at Town Hall.

The Planning Board will meet on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

An update was provided for tree permits, projects, fence permits, complaints, and real estate closings.

**OLD BUSINESS- NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**8) A. SEVEN DEVILS SCRAPBOOK – Presented by Abby Cockerham, ASU Intern**

Abby Cockerham presented the Seven Devils Scrapbook which features the folklore, as well as the business of the Town throughout the years. With more documents than pages in the scrapbook, a digital format of additional historic documents will be available at Town Hall.

No action taken.

**8) B. RE-APPOINTMENT HIGH COUNTRY ABC – Sarah Manning, Alternate Member**  
Member Ehlinger made the motion to approve the Re-Appointment of Sarah Manning as Alternate Member for the High-Country ABC Board; Member Bailey seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. ~CLOSED~

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

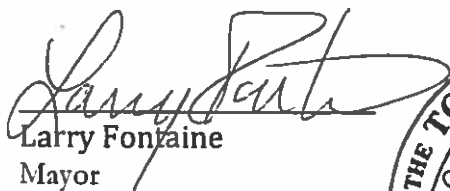
- Board of Adjustment**-No April Meeting
- Planning Board**—April Minutes
- Public Works**—No April Meeting
- Public Safety Committee**—April Minutes
- Recreation Commission** – April Minutes
- TDA** – No April Meeting
- ABC Board** – March Minutes
- Tree Committee** – No April Meeting
- Public Safety Department**
  - Police Report**
  - Fire Report**
- Financial Report**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**


Mayor Pro Tem Lambert commented about the importance of Citizen participation, such as Volunteering for SafetyFest, “The Hawk” and various board positions. There is value in learning the Citizen’s point of view on Town Business. He encourages everyone to vote in the mid-term elections on this day; the polls are open until 7:30pm.

**ADJOURN**

Member Ehlinger made a motion to adjourn; Mayor Pro Tem Lambert seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

  
Larry Fontaine  
Mayor



  
Hillary Gropp  
Town Clerk