

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS
TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES – REGULAR SESSION
July 11, 2011**

The Seven Devils Town Council met in regular session on Monday, July 11, 2011, at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Bob Dodson, Mayor Pro Tem Kathy Copley and Council Member David Ehmig. Members Richard DeMott and Kay Ehlinger were absent and excused. Also present were Town Manager Ed Evans and Town Attorney Rob Angle. The minutes were recorded by Beth Taylor, Town Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dodson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council members and citizens recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Copley made a recommendation to add the following as agenda item E: *Consider Authorizing Appraisals for Lots in Peregrin.*

Mayor Pro Tem Copley made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Mayor Dodson seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JUNE 13, 2011

Mayor Pro Tem Copley pointed out on the last page, under Council Comments, third sentence up beginning with "...Lake Drive paving..." the sentence should read "...a motion to **defer** paving..." instead of "...a motion to **differ** paving..."

Member Ehmig made a motion to adopt the minutes as amended. Mayor Pro Tem Copley seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE & CALENDAR

N/A

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Health Reimbursement Account Resolution (HRA)

After a brief description on the necessity of the HRA Resolution, Member Ehmig made a motion to adopt the proposed Health Reimbursement Account Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Copley seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Seven Devils Tree Inventory Presentation (Arboguard – Barry Gimberling)

There was a brief presentation of the materials provided by Arboguard Tree Specialist. They went over how to utilize the software to show any trees that the studies author's warranted any attention. They also demonstrated how to pull up any of the trees to get a description including the diameter, type and how to see any notes of interest. There was also a demonstration on how to properly prune a tree to avoid topping.

Renaming of Valley View Road

Manager Evans explained the Watauga County 911 system is trying to avoid having duplicate road names. In doing so they discovered that Valley View Road is also listed in Blowing Rock. Due to the fact that Blowing Rock had their road named that since 1919, Seven Devils has to rename their road. After discussing possible names, Mayor Pro Tem Copley made a motion to rename Valley View Road as Autumn View Lane. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

School / Education request – Town Manager

Mayor Pro Tem Copley made a motion to approve the School/Education requests for Manager Evans to attend the Basic Economic Development Aug 1-4 as well as the Zoning Officials Certification course Nov 14-17 & Nov 29 – Dec 1. Member Ehmig seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Budget Amendments

Member Ehmig made a motion to adopt the Budget Amendment. Mayor Pro Tem Copley seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Consider Authorizing Appraisals for Lots in Peregrine

Mayor Pro Tem Copley stated that Manager Evans has been trying to reach Alan Andre regarding the land swap of the Lots in Peregrine. She continued by saying she thought it would be a good idea to go ahead and authorize manager Evans to get an appraisal for those lots so that we could be ready with that information for Mr. Andre. Member Ehmig made a motion the Town offers to pay for an appraisal up to \$2,500 for Mr. Andre if he agrees to give us the two lots in question. Mayor Pro Tem Copley seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**Planning Board**

Public Works- In response to Mayor Pro Tem Copley's suggestion, Manager Evans informed the citizens that the Waterline Mapping Project is complete. Now the Town will be able to utilize all the knowledge our Public Works department has accumulated over the years. He also pointed out that the resulting maps are located behind the Council's seat on the bulletin board.

Public Safety Committee- Mayor Pro Tem Copley wanted to give a big thank you to all those involved in making SafetyFest so great.

Recreation Commission**ABC Board****TDA****Public Safety Department****i. Police Report****ii. Fire Report****Financial Report**

Member Ehmig made a motion to accept the Financial Report. Mayor Dodson seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

N/A

ADJOURN

Mayor Dodson made a motion to adjourn at 6:47 pm. Mayor Pro Tem Copley seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Bob Dodson, Mayor

Beth Taylor, Town Clerk