

Town of Mount Airy
Council meeting
January 5, 2015 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Gary E. Morris Councilmember McAllister
 Councilmember Adam Tullis Councilmember Linda Hughes
 Councilmember Bobby Ayers Councilmember McCoy
 Chief Corey Allen Clerk Sheri Berrong

- Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and then led the invocation & pledge.
- Agenda was accepted as presented.
- Councilmember McAllister made a motion to accept minutes from the December 1, 2014 meeting and December 17, 2014 public hearing & called council meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- After a short discussion, Councilmember McAllister made a motion to make the following appointments for 2015:

City Attorney – John Dickerson
City Judge – Robert Sneed
CPA – Duncan Kitchens

Motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes, passed with all in favor.

- After receiving no requests from the councilmembers to be moved to different committees, Mayor Morris re-appointed all Councilmembers to the same committees as they served on for 2014, as follows:

<u>Finance/Taxation</u>	<u>Water, Sanitation, Fire</u>	<u>Public Safety, GCIC</u>
McCoy-Chair	McAllister-Chair	Hughes-Chair
Hughes	McCoy	McAllister
Ayers	Tullis	Ayers

<u>Personnel, Ordinances, Annexations</u>	<u>Property, Streets</u>
Tullis-Chair	Ayers-Chair
McAllister	McCoy
Hughes	Tullis

- No comments from the public at this meeting.
- During department reports, Chief Allen reported pressure testing was about to begin on the new waterline being installed. Also, leak was repaired at Dicks Hill Pkwy. & Jud Pitts Rd., which has been repaired several times in the past. Chief Allen has asked Arrowood Contracting to give us an estimate for the necessary repairs. Councilmember McAllister made a motion for the Water Committee to give Mayor Morris authority to enter into an agreement with a contractor for repairs at Dicks Hill & Jud Pitts. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- Councilmember McAllister reminded the Council that this is the year we send our consultant, Rodney Beck, to the annual GRWA conference.
- Mayor Morris reported that he has been working on an internal audit of the water reports, comparing our numbers to Mr. Beck's reported numbers to verify accuracy. A more complete report would be available at a later date. Councilmember McAllister thanked the Town, on behalf of Ethicon, for their recent

assistance with a water issue. Mayor Morris shared with the Council that the fence replacement at the Chase Road tank was scheduled for later that week. He also asked for some clarification of the authority of the Clerk to issue business licenses. For the record, renewals of existing business licenses do not need to go before the Council however; all new business licenses need to come before the Mayor and Council for their consideration. He also reported that after a meeting with Habersham County Manager, Phil Sutton and County Commissioner, Andrea Harper, the radio maintenance fees had been paid as billed by the County.

- Next, a brief discussion was had about setting a date for the Annual Cities Day Celebration finally settling on the date of Saturday, April 25, 2015, with no rain date scheduled at this time.
- Clerk Berrong reported that business license renewals were coming in, although several were still outstanding. She also reported that a new business license application from Quinten Ringel of Hulsey's Roofing and was presented to the council for their consideration. Councilmember McAllister made a motion to approve the business license for Hulsey's Roofing. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- Councilmember McAllister made a motion to make Councilmember McCoy Mayor Pro-Tempe for 2015. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes, passed with all in favor.

With no other business to discuss, Councilmember Ayers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.

Mayor Gary E. Morris

Councilmember Mike McCoy

Councilmember Adam Tullis

Councilmember Ray McAllister

Councilmember Bobby Ayers

Councilmember Linda Hughes