

Huntsdale Town Council Meeting
January 16, 2007 6:30 P.M.
Katy's Little Lodge B&B
Minutes

Present: Debby Lancaster, Dallas Lancaster, Ed McGee, Dorthy Eberhart,
Kathy McGee

Meeting called to order by Mayor Debby Lancaster at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes from the December Town Council Meeting: Kathy McGee motioned that the minutes be approved. Ed McGee 2nd the motion.

Treasurers Report: January 2007 Income Statement reviewed and approved.

Old Business

Road Signs

Dallas stated that he placed the order for the signs. He was informed that the cost of producing the signs would be less if we could wait until they had another order to fill. Whereupon Dallas told them, we could wait. The sign company will call when the signs are ready.

New Business

MML Legislative Updates:

HB 57 -- Elections

Sponsor: Sater

Proposed effective date: 8/28/07 (if passed)

This bill allows villages to cancel an election if there will be no competition between candidates for a position because the number of candidates who file for the position is equivalent to the number of persons who may serve.

Referred to the elections committee. No hearing scheduled.

Mayor, Debby Lancaster stated that she attended a seminar on "Ethics in Government" and ordered new Sunshine Law Books for the Town Council.

MML Conference scheduled for February 21-22, 2007

The MML Conference scheduled for February 21-22, 2007 in Jefferson City was discussed and council members stated they did not find any items on the agenda that were pertinent to Huntsdale. Debby Lancaster and Dorthy Eberhart elected not to attend the conference.

Ordinances

Mayor Debby Lancaster led the discussion on prioritizing town ordinances the need to be addressed.

1. First to be addressed is adapting the 2006 IBC. The Building Code Committee will meet and review the amendments adopted by Boone County, the City of Columbia and the Boone County Fire Department. Gale at the Boone County Fire Department is suppose to be getting Debby Lancaster a copy of afore mentioned amendments.
2. Derelict buildings – abandoned property and pertinent health codes

Maintenance of the ditches on Main Street and Hunt Street.

Mayor Debby Lancaster suggested that the town extend the contract with Poehlmann's Lawn & Landscape to include the maintenance of the ditches along Main Street and Hunt Street. Her main concern is to reduce the habit/breeding ground for mosquitoes and other bugs.

All town council members and town members present agreed this was a good idea.

Mention was also made that the Hendrens were cleaning up their property and that hazardous front porch on the Hendren house is now gone. Town members expressed their pleasure that this health hazard and eye sore was being cleaned up.

Taxes

Debby Lancaster asked Town Council Members what days would work best for them to meet with an attorney to talk about taxes. She also advised the council to consider what other issues they feel should be addressed. Zoning was the number one issue mentioned.

It was agreed that Mondays work best for all concerned. Mayor Debby is going to set up a night that the attorney can come and will contact the council members when a date is set.

Huntsdale River Festival

Ana Lopez was pleased to announce that she received a reservation with check from a flint knapper.

Fund raising packets will be distributed at the February meeting.

State Park Advisory Board for Trails and surrounding property information was given to Linda Lenau-Brown.

Floor Opened to the Public

Ana Lopez affirmed that Shella Watson was informed about the signs and candidacy application was made available to her.

Dallas motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ed 2nd the motion.