

The regular meeting of the Haymarket Town Council was called to order on April 17, 1979 at 8:00p.m. by Mayor Gilbertson. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance. Councilpersons present were Bean, Crouch, Gossom, Melton and Orndoff. Smith was absent. The minutes were read and approved with the following correction concerning sewer connection fees. Connection fees will only be paid for by those who cannot afford them.

The following bill was presented and unanimously approved. Orndoff's Service Station; \$127.81 for gas for police cruiser.

Replacement of the light over the Town Hall door by Wallace Bailey was approved. The corporation sign at Gainesville School was reported missing.

Mr. Orndoff informed the Council that the new police cruiser had been ordered but no action was taken by the dealership pending authorization by the Mayor and a 50% down payment. Mr. Orndoff, Mr. Jones and Mrs. Gilbertson suggested buying a used cruiser. Mr. Orndoff will investigate possibilities.

Mrs. Gilbertson reported on the HUD hearing requested by the Prince William League for Protection of Natural Resources which challenged EPA with not conducting a proper survey of the area. She was encouraged with the outcome.

Mr. William Frogale of Annandale Millwork addressed the Council with his concern over the new policy of having to produce proof of payment of taxes in two jurisdictions. Turner Smith explained that this ordinance was written because the County had asked all towns to do this and the Town wanted to cooperate in order to assist the Town in collecting personal property taxes.

Mrs. Jorkan announced a public hearing April 25 at Osbourn Hish School to discuss the increase in the Fire and Rescue levies. The Journal Messenger had reported that the Fire levy for Ginesville-Haymarket increased from \$.14 to \$.43 and a rescue levy of \$.15. She asked for a resolution to be sent to the Board of Supervisors opposing the hike. Mrs. Bean moved to have the resolution prepared and sent to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Hossom seconded the motion and Council approved.

Mason Pickett asked if the Council wished him to continue mowing the Town Hall lawn. It was suggested that he be advised of the trimming needed around the new plantings.

Town Clean-up will be held on May 12. All interested citizens are encouraged to turn out.

Mr. Jordan addressed the Council concerning Herb Harris' new Battle field Bill. John Warner is in agreement with this new bill. Mr. Melton made a motion to make a resolution opposing Battlefield expansion. Mr. Crouch seconded and Council approved the resolution.

Mr. Orndoff asked Turner Smith to define the status of the two trucks which park at his service station. The owners have been buying town tags but don't pay taxes in Prince William County. Mr. Smith's opinion was that the domicile of the owner is where the proof of payment of taxes which is required.

A Special Budget meeting has been scheduled for April 23rd at 7:30p.m.

The Planning Commission asked for a resolution asking for help in developing the Comprehensive Plan for the Town. HUD funds a state program which sends a planner with no expenses to the Town. The governing body must pass a resolution asking for this assistance. Another alternative is to apply for 701 funds from HUD, which will pay matching funds for a professional consultant. A third source of assistance is through Universities with a school of planning. Students are given the town planning projects as class assignments.

Mr. Melton asked that the deadline for purchasing Town tags be moved to April 30 in light of the new ordinances concerning tags and taxes.

Dennis Wrye asked the current status of dog ordinances and was told that all County ordinances are in effect in Haymarket. County dog warden must see a dog running at large, off the owner's property before he can apprehend the dog. A citizen with a complaint can file a civil suit against the dog's owner or the owner could voluntarily give up the dog.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy W. Sharman
Nancy W. Sharman, Clerk

Approved,

Muriel Gilbertson
Muriel Gilbertson, Mayor