

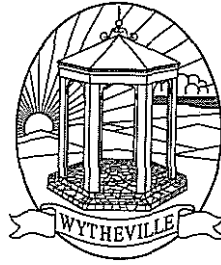


AGENDA
Wytheville Town Council
May 8, 2017
7:00 p.m.
Wytheville Municipal Building
150 East Monroe Street
Wytheville, Virginia 24382

- A. **INVOCATION**—COUNCILMAN THOMAS F. HUNDLEY
- B. **CALL TO ORDER**—MAYOR TRENTON G. CREWE, JR.
- C. **ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**—MAYOR TRENTON G. CREWE, JR.
- D. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**—COUNCILMAN JOSEPH E. HAND, JR.
- E. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 1. Minutes of the regular meeting of April 24, 2017
- F. **CITIZENS' PERIOD**
 - 1. Presentation of a resolution to the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team
 - 2. Others
- G. **OLD BUSINESS**—TOWN MANAGER C. WAYNE SUTHERLAND, JR.
- H. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - 1. Budget and Finance
 - a. Tax write-offs requested by the Treasurer
 - b. Proposed revision to deadline for paying real and personal property taxes
 - 2. Public Works
 - a. Vehicle decal information
 - b. Street name and stop sign improvements
- I. **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**
 - 1. Ordinance No. 1317, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on second reading

2. Resolution recognizing the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team for a successful season
3. Resolution recognizing the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team for an outstanding season

J. **ADJOURNMENT**



Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Citizens' Period
Item Number:	F-1
Subject:	Presentation of Resolution – George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team

SUMMARY:

The George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team has been invited to the Town Council meeting for the presentation of a resolution to the team for an outstanding season.

Resolution



WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team completed their 2017 season with an overall record of 25-3; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team was Hogoheegee Regular Season Champions for the fourth consecutive year; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team won their Second Conference Regular Season Championship, their third consecutive Conference Tournament Championship and made their appearance in the Final Four for the second straight year; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team achieved the status as the Virginia High School League State Runner-Up, and only missed becoming the Virginia High School League State Champions by one point; and,

WHEREAS, Malik Johnson was named to the 1st Team All State by the Virginia High School League and the Virginia High School Coaches Association, and was named to the 1st Team All Timesland (Roanoke) and to the 1st Team All Area (Bristol); and,

WHEREAS, Noah Atwood was named to the 2nd Team All State by the Virginia High School League and the Virginia High School Coaches Association; and,

WHEREAS, Coach Pat Burns and Malik Johnson represented George Wythe High School as a coach and a player, respectively, in the East West All Star Game; and,

WHEREAS, the players and coaches of the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team, through their outstanding display of athletic ability, team play and sportsmanship, have reflected great credit upon the school and upon the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, officially commends the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team; its Head Coach, Mr. Pat Burns; its Assistant Coaches, Mr. Scott Hoagland, Mr. Tony Dunford and Mr. Tristan Boysaw; and, other high school officials for the outstanding accomplishment of the basketball team.

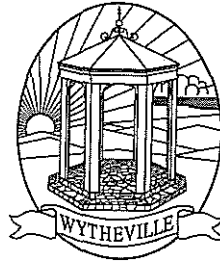
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be presented to the George Wythe High School Boys' Basketball Team, the coaches, other officials concerned and the news media.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, to be affixed this 24th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon G. Corvin, Town Clerk



Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Committee Reports
Item Number:	H-1
Subject:	Budget and Finance

SUMMARY:

The Budget and Finance Committee will report on the following matters:

- a. Tax write-offs requested by the Treasurer
- b. Proposed revision to deadline for paying real and personal property taxes

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MAY 8, 2017

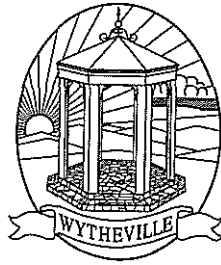
1. At our Council Work Session last week, Town Treasurer Michael Stephens presented various delinquent taxes and charges that need to be written off of the Town's books. Under Section 58.1-3940 of the Code of Virginia, it states that a collection of local taxes shall only be enforceable for five years following December 31 of the year for which such taxes were assessed. There were \$1,061.58 in 2011 for Personal Property/Mobile Home taxes; \$1.57 in 2011 for Public Services; \$16,867.61 in 2011 for Water/Sewer bills; and, \$21,447.69 in Accounts Receivable Invoices (property damage, accidents, etc.) between 1998 - 2012. Every effort has been made to collect these delinquent fees, but it is now clear that they cannot be collected. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee that the Town Council authorize the Town Treasurer to write-off the taxes and fees outlined above.
2. Currently, the Town's Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes are due on or before December 15 of each year. Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes for Wythe County are due on or before December 5 of each year. These two different dates often result in confusion to town taxpayers who have Town and County Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes due on different days. Town Treasurer Stephens has suggested that it may be helpful to citizens to select the date for the Town's taxes to be received to be the same date as the County is currently using. To accomplish the change in the due date, it would require that

the Town Code be amended to reflect the change. We have not, as of yet, drafted an ordinance which would make this amendment, but we did want to make everyone aware that it was being considered and provide the public with the opportunity to comment on the proposed date change. There is no action required by the Council, but we do expect this to be a topic on the next Council agenda.

Jacqueline K. King

Beth A. Taylor

WYTHEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL



AGENDA INFORMATION

Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Committee Reports
Item Number:	H-2
Subject:	Public Works

SUMMARY:

The Public Works Committee will report on the following matters:

- a. Vehicle decal information
- b. Street name and stop sign improvements

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

MAY 8, 2017

1. Over the past several years, revenues the Town receives for the sale of vehicle decals have continued to decline. These revenues have declined by more than \$40,000 over the past three years. There are several factors that have contributed to these reductions. The largest factor is that Personal Property Taxes are assessed on vehicles that are located within the Town of Wytheville, but the only mechanism to determine the location of a vehicle is through the Department of Motor Vehicles. We have found, over the years, that many of the locations designated by the Department of Motor Vehicles are not accurate. In other words, many vehicles that are situated within the Town's corporate limits are noted by the Department of Motor Vehicles as being outside of the corporate limits in Wythe County. Secondly, when Wythe County eliminated vehicle decals, many citizens assumed this action was also applicable to town citizens. Given the reduction in these revenues, it is important for the Town to take a number of actions to recover these revenues. We would like to encourage every citizen within the town to check their vehicle registration to determine that it is accurately describing the vehicle as being situated in the town. A failure to purchase and display a Town vehicle decal can result in receiving a ticket that has a fine of \$35.00. We are going to ask our Police Department to take an active enforcement effort to be sure that all vehicles that should be displaying a town decal be identified. Initially, we are going to attempt to work with the Commissioner of Revenue and the Department of Motor Vehicles to get a more accurate location depicted on the vehicle registration. Also, we are going

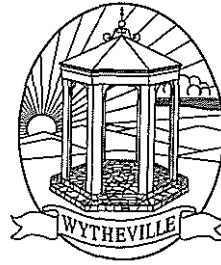
to contact local dealerships to encourage them to be accurate during the transaction on a sale of a vehicle. Having said that, we would like to encourage the participation of citizens because we do not want to take unnecessary enforcement actions.

2. The Town of Wytheville Beautification Task Force is looking at a variety of things that can enhance the beauty of our town. These include enhancements in the downtown area, and, most recently, the creation of yet another park area at the old Recycling Facility located at Withers Park. Another topic that originated from the Task Force was improvements to sign posts and street name signs in the Town's historic area. The Town's Historic District generally includes the downtown area, as well as the streets along Church Street and Withers Road. Many of these street name sign posts have been painted black, and the street names are a new, highly reflective brown sign. The new look is very attractive, and we have received many positive comments. We still have a number of streets in the Historic District area to complete, and the street name signs in all other areas of the town will be replaced during the upcoming year with the regular green colored signs. The standards now require that these street name signs be made of highly reflective materials, and, as such, will replace the older street name signs. We do not anticipate that we will paint all of the sign posts black, as was done in the Historic District. This is merely an informational item for the town citizens who we encourage to see the new work, if they have not already done so.

Thomas F. Hundley

Joseph E. Hand, Jr.

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Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Ordinances/Resolutions
Item Number:	I-1
Subject:	Ordinance No. 1317

SUMMARY:

Please find enclosed Ordinance No. 1317, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia. This ordinance will amend the Town Code to state that all waste tires shall be screened and that speculatively accumulated waste tires are not permitted. This ordinance is before the Council on second reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 1317

At a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, held in the Council Chambers on the 24th day of April, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Absent:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REENACTING CHAPTER 12 - SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL, BY AMENDING ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL, SECTION 12-3. DEFINITIONS, AND BY ADDING ARTICLE VIII. WASTE TIRES, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE, VIRGINIA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, that Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, be amended and reenacted by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, as follows:

CHAPTER 12

SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

SECTION 12-3. DEFINITIONS

Speculatively Accumulated Waste Tires – Any waste tires that are accumulated before being used, reused or reclaimed or in anticipation of potential use, reuse or reclamation. Waste tires are not being accumulated speculatively when at least 75 percent of the waste tires accumulated are being removed from the site annually.

Waste Tires – Any used tires that are accumulated before being used, reused or reclaimed.

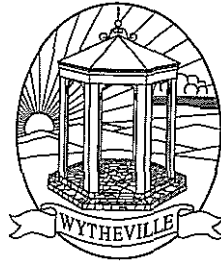
ARTICLE VIII. KEEPING OF WASTE TIRES

Sec. 12-150. Keeping of waste tires.

It shall be unlawful for any person to store waste tires on public or private property without having the waste tires shielded from view from all adjacent streets, properties and alleys by placing the waste tires within: (1) a fully enclosed building or structure; (2) an area completely enclosed by either a solid, rigid, opaque fence composed of standard fencing materials, which must meet the requirements of the Town of Wytheville Zoning Ordinance; or, (3) a landscaped arrangement of nondeciduous trees or bushes, sufficient in height, spacing and density and the circumference shall be sufficient to comply with the requirements of this ordinance. As defined in §10.1-1418.2 of the State Code, it shall be unlawful to keep speculatively accumulated waste tires at any time on public or private property.

Sec. 12-151. Penalties.

After ten (10) days' notice of violation from the Town Manager or his designee, the property owner will be subject to the provisions of Section 9-19 of the Code of the Town of Wytheville.



Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Ordinances/Resolutions
Item Number:	I-2
Subject:	Resolution – George Wythe High School Wrestling Team

SUMMARY:

Please find enclosed a resolution that will need to be adopted recognizing the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team for a successful season. The wrestling team has been invited to attend the meeting for the presentation of the resolution.

Resolution



WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team completed their 2016-17 season with an overall dual team record of 13-7; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team placed 9th in the Virginia High School League State Tournament; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team had accomplishments by their team members that included Zade Johnson (170 pound weight class) who placed 3rd in the State Championship; Chris Mohr (182 pound weight class) who placed 5th in the State Championship; Will Castanon (120 pound weight class) who placed 8th in the State Championship; and, Alyssa Waller, David Marable and Micah Dunford who were State Championship Qualifiers; and,

WHEREAS, Sebastian Lamrouex, a freshman on the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team, completed his 2016-17 wrestling season with an overall record of 35-3; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lamrouex advanced to the 2016-17 State Championship title in the 106 pound weight class and earned the 106 pound weight class individual State Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the wrestlers and coaches of the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team, through their outstanding display of athletic ability, team play and sportsmanship, have reflected great credit upon the school and upon the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, officially commends the George Wythe High School Wrestling Team; its head coach, Mr. Matt Lamrouex; its Assistant Coach, Mr. Jake Lewis; and, other high school officials for this outstanding accomplishment.

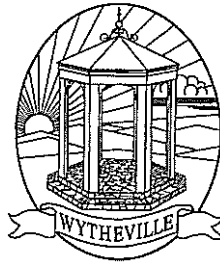
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be presented to the team members, the coaches, other officials concerned and the news media.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, to be affixed this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon G. Corvin, Town Clerk



Meeting Date:	Monday, May 8, 2017
Item Name:	Ordinances/Resolutions
Item Number:	I-3
Subject:	Resolution – Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team

SUMMARY:

Please find enclosed a resolution that will require adoption, which recognizes the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team for a very successful season. The Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team has, likewise, been invited to attend the meeting for the presentation of the resolution.

Resolution



WHEREAS, the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team completed their 2016-17 season with an overall record of 13-3; and,

WHEREAS, the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team progressed to the Virginia High School League's Group 1A State Wrestling Championship and was victorious in attaining the title of the Virginia High School League 1A State Wrestling Champions by earning 200.5 points; and,

WHEREAS, this was the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team's fourth consecutive overall State Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team had eight State Champions including Trey Boyd (120 pound weight class) who earned his fourth individual State Championship; Josh Wynn (126 pound weight class) who won his third individual State Championship; Trent O'Neil (152 pound weight class) who received his second State Championship; Ethan Martin (170 pound weight class) who gained his second individual State Championship; Harley Mitchell (195 pound weight class) who earned his second State Championship; Devon Meredith (182 pound weight class) who attained his first individual State Championship; Cade Rouse (220 pound weight class) who achieved his first individual State Championship; and, Ben Sowers (285 pound weight class) who won his first individual State Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the wrestlers and coaches of the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team, through their outstanding display of athletic ability, team play and sportsmanship, have reflected great credit upon the school and upon the Town and County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, officially commends the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling Team, its head coach, Rick Boyd, and, other high school officials for an outstanding season.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be presented to the Rural Retreat High School Wrestling team, the coaches, other officials concerned and the news media.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, to be affixed this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon G. Corvin, Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WYTHEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017, AT 7:00 P.M.**

Members present: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor

Others present: Town Manager C. Wayne Sutherland, Jr., Town Clerk Sharon G. Corvin, Paul Jones, Doug Campbell, Kimberly Ingo, Makenzie Ingo, H.S. Ingo, Millie Rothrock with *The Wytheville Enterprise*, Police Officer Kelly White, others

RE: CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM, PLEDGE

Mayor Crewe called the meeting to order and established that a quorum of Council members was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Mayor King.

RE: CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Crewe presented the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 2017; the request of Downtown Wytheville, Incorporated to close Main Street from Fourth Street to First Street on Tuesday, July 4, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., to hold the Fourth of July parade and activities; and, the request of Ms. Domonique Spencer to close Main Street from First Street to Tazewell Street on Saturday, June 24, 2017, from 5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., to conduct a wedding at the Bolling Wilson Hotel. He inquired of the Council if there was a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented or to somehow be amended. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor King and seconded by Councilman Hand to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 2017, and the request of Downtown Wytheville, Incorporated to close Main Street from Fourth Street to First Street on Tuesday, July 4, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., to hold the Fourth of July parade and activities; but, to deny the request of Ms. Domonique Spencer to close Main Street from First Street to Tazewell Street on Saturday, June 24, 2017, from 5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., to conduct a wedding at the Bolling Wilson Hotel. Mayor Crewe inquired if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition: For: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor. Against: None.

RE: CITIZENS' PERIOD

Mayor Crewe advised the next agenda item is Citizens' Period. He noted that no one indicated on the sign in sheet that they wished to address the Council during Citizens' Period, therefore, he would proceed with the agenda. He noted that he would revisit Citizens' Period to present the girls' basketball team with their resolution since they are enroute.

RE: OLD BUSINESS

Under Old Business, Town Manager Sutherland reported the following:

1. The Council Work Session will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 7:00 a.m.
2. The Willow Brook Jackson/Umberger Homestead Museum Advisory Board will meet on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., in Conference Room A of the Municipal Building.
3. The Joint Industrial Development Authority of Wythe County will meet on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers.
4. The Living History Celebration where children will visit the Homestead Museum will be held on Monday, May 1, and Tuesday, May 2.

RE: BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilwoman Taylor, reporting for the Budget and Finance Committee, stated that earlier this year, the Council requested representatives in the Virginia General Assembly to introduce a bill that would amend the Town Charter to simplify the procedure for replacing a vacancy on the Town Council. She explained that the Town has now confirmed that the Charter change, requested by the Town, has been approved by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor. Councilwoman Taylor remarked that the Governor approved the Charter change on February 23, 2017, and the change will become effective on July 1, 2017, provided that the

Council amends the Town Code to reflect these changes. She commented that the amendment removes provisions that would require a special election to fill certain vacancies in the office of the Mayor or the Town Council. Councilwoman Taylor stated that it subjects all such vacancies to existing requirements that vacancies be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Council. She noted that the amendment corrects the situation that the Town had this past year when it was necessary to have a special election. Councilwoman Taylor explained that later in the meeting, the Council will consider an ordinance that modifies these changes. She advised that it would be the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee that the ordinance be adopted on first and final reading, with the effective date of the revision to be July 1, 2017.

Councilwoman Taylor, also, reported that the Council has been advised that Wytheville has been accepted into the HEAL Program. She stated that the Council believes that this is an exciting program, which will, hopefully, improve not only the dietary standards and degrees of exercising activity but will also improve the health of the citizens. Councilwoman Taylor explained that the Council adopted a resolution requesting to join the HEAL Cities and Towns Campaign for the mid-Atlantic to help foster health environments through the policies that increase access to healthy eating and active living for residents. She remarked that HEAL stands for Healthy Eating Active Living, which are two critical components to a healthy lifestyle. Councilwoman Taylor commented that the purpose of this program is to promote these lifestyles. She expressed that the Council believes that by encouraging the communities to be active, improving access to healthy food and promoting a physical municipal workplace, Wytheville will contribute to the physical health of its citizens, while also aiming to improve the overall quality of life and promote business investments throughout the town. Councilwoman Taylor stated that the campaign was created by the nonprofit Institute for Public Health Innovation and the Maryland and Virginia Municipal Leagues to support local elected officials in creating policies that improve access to health foods and physical activity in communities throughout our state. She noted that the Town's participation in the HEAL Program is at no cost to the community. Councilwoman Taylor explained that the campaign is administered by the Institute for Public Health Innovation and funded by private foundations. She commented that the Council looks forward to implementing a number of programs that are aimed at improving the community's health. A copy of the Budget and Finance Committee report is attached and made part of these minutes.

RE: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilman Hundley, reporting for the Public Works Committee, stated that at the meeting held on March 27, 2017, Town Council requested the Planning Commission to evaluate any potential zoning changes that would be of assistance in screening the view of stacks of used tires throughout the community. He noted that since that time, the Council has continued to evaluate the situation and believes that regulations are more fittingly placed in the Town Code. Councilman Hundley remarked that later in the meeting, the Council will consider an ordinance that will adopt new regulations concerning the keeping of waste tires. He commented that under the new definition, it will be unlawful for any person to store waste tires on public or private property without having the waste tires shielded from view from all adjacent streets, properties and alleys. Councilman Hundley explained that to accomplish this, the tires must be shielded from public view by one of several methods. He stated that one would, obviously, be to provide a fully enclosed structure or building. Councilman Hundley noted a second alternative would be to provide a completely enclosed area by either a solid, rigid or opaque fence. He expressed that, finally, a third option would be to create a significant landscaping arrangement that would block the view of the tires. Councilman Hundley stated the Council believes that it is important to adopt these regulations since the Town is spending a considerable amount of time, effort and money on improving the esthetics of the community. He advised that when the ordinance is considered later in the meeting, it would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that the ordinance be approved on first, but not final, reading.

Councilman Hundley, also, reported that there is yet an additional ordinance that will be considered later in the meeting concerning the use of tents for meetings. He stated that the Town Code provides for the use of a tent for church and other activities be restricted to ten days. Councilman Hundley explained that this past year, the Town had several circumstances where the ten day limit imposed a certain hardship on the persons seeking a permit. He noted that as such, the Public Works Committee believes that it is worthwhile to provide some flexibility in this program and to give the Town Manager the opportunity to extend the length of the permit, beyond ten days, at his discretion. Councilman Hundley advised that when this ordinance is considered later in the meeting, it would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that it be adopted on first and final reading.

Councilman Hundley stated that the Council has now been advised that all three governing bodies, Wythe County, the Town of Rural Retreat and the Town of Wytheville, have each agreed to fund the study to be performed by The Retail Coach company. He noted that under the terms of this agreement, the funding for the program will be 45 percent by Wythe County, 45 percent by the Town of Wytheville and 10 percent by the Town of Rural Retreat. Councilman Hundley explained that during this initial phase, the Town of Wytheville and Wythe County will contribute \$20,250, and the Town of Rural Retreat will contribute \$4,500. He remarked that under the provisions of the contract, the Town can withdraw from the program at any time upon giving notice. Councilman Hundley explained that the contract does provide for a year two and a year three ongoing study, if the governing bodies choose to continue with the program. He commented that the purpose of the program is to gather information and data that can be used by The Retail Coach in recruiting various retailers and restaurants to the county and town. Councilman Hundley stated that often, retailers make decisions solely on the demographics of the community and do not consider other factors. He explained that the Town, of course, has a smaller population, but it also has a tremendous tourism industry, as well as being at the intersection of two major interstates. Councilman Hundley expressed that the Council believes that these factors of being at the hub of Southwest Virginia should have meaning when retailers and restaurants are considering Wytheville. He advised that it is anticipated that the study will commence within the next few weeks with the data gathering process. Councilman Hundley stated that the Public Works Committee will keep everyone posted on the status of this initiative as it moves forward. A copy of the Public Works Committee report is attached and made part of these minutes.

RE: ORDINANCE NO. 1316

Mayor Crewe presented Ordinance No. 1316, an ordinance amending and reenacting Part 1. Charter, Section 2. Council Generally, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first and final reading, to become effective July 1, 2017. A motion was made by Councilwoman Taylor and seconded by Vice-Mayor King to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance No. 1316, an ordinance amending and reenacting Part 1. Charter, Section 2. Council Generally, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first and final reading, to become effective July 1, 2017. Mayor Crewe inquired if there was any discussion on the motion to suspend the rules and adopt the ordinance on first and final reading. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition:

FOR: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Ordinance No. 1316 was adopted on first and final reading. He noted that the Charter change will not be effective until July 1, 2017.

RE: ORDINANCE NO. 1317

Mayor Crewe presented Ordinance No. 1317, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first, but not final, reading. A motion was made by Councilman Hundley and seconded by Councilman Hand to approve Ordinance No. 1317, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first, but not final, reading. Mayor Crewe inquired if there was any discussion on the motion to approve the ordinance on first, but not final, reading. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition:

FOR: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Ordinance No. 1317 was approved on first, but not final, reading.

RE: ORDINANCE NO. 1318

Mayor Crewe presented Ordinance No. 1318, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 4, Building Regulations, Article III. Tents, Etc., for Business, Dwelling, Etc., Quarters, Section 4-49. Permit for Use of Tent for Meetings, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first and final reading. A motion was made by Councilman Hundley and seconded by Councilman Hand to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance No. 1318, an ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 12, Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, by amending Article I. In General, Section 12-3. Definitions, and by adding Article VIII. Waste Tires, of the Code of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, on first and final reading. Mayor Crewe inquired if there was any discussion on the motion to suspend the rules and adopt the ordinance on first and final reading. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition:

FOR: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Ordinance No. 1318 was adopted on first and final reading. He noted that Ordinance No. 1318 is effective immediately.

RE: RESOLUTION – GEORGE WYTHE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS’ BASKETBALL TEAM

Mayor Crewe advised the next agenda item is a resolution recognizing the George Wythe High School Boys’ Basketball Team for a successful season. Mayor Crewe read the resolution to the Council members. He inquired if there is a motion to adopt the resolution. A motion was made by Councilman Hundley and seconded by Vice-Mayor King to adopt a resolution recognizing the George Wythe High School Boys’ Basketball Team for a successful season. Mayor Crewe inquired if there was any discussion on the motion to adopt the resolution. There being none, the motion was approved with the following voting in favor and there being no opposition: For: Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Jacqueline K. King, Thomas F. Hundley, Joseph E. Hand, Jr., Beth A. Taylor. Against: None.

RE: RECESS

Mayor Crewe noted that the Town Council will take a short recess. He advised that the Council will reconvene after the girls’ basketball team arrives. (7:17 p.m.)

RE: RECONVENE

It was the consensus of the Council to reconvene the Council meeting. (7:50 p.m.)

RE: CITIZENS’ PERIOD – PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION – GEORGE WYTHE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS’ BASKETBALL TEAM

Mayor Crewe advised the next agenda item is the presentation of the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team resolution. Mayor Crewe stated that on April 10, 2017, a resolution was adopted by the Council commending the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team for an outstanding 2017 basketball season. He presented the resolution, which read as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team completed their 2017 season with an overall record of 26-4; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team was Hogoheegee Regular Season Champions and Mountain West Regular Season and Tournament Champions; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team advanced to become the 1A-West Regional Champions; and,

WHEREAS, the George Wythe High School Girls’ Basketball Team then advanced to become the Virginia High School League (VHSL) State Runner-Up; and,

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Jones excelled and was named All Conference Player of the Year, All Region Player of the Year and ended the season as a 1,000 point scorer and rebounder; and,

WHEREAS, Grayson Anders was named to the All Conference and ended an accomplished season as a 1,000 point scorer; and, Kaitlyn Pool was named to the All Conference; and,

WHEREAS, the players and coaches of the George Wythe High School Girls' Basketball Team, through their outstanding display of athletic ability, team play and sportsmanship, have reflected great credit upon the school and upon the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, officially commends the George Wythe High School Girls' Basketball Team; Head Coach Doug Campbell; Assistant Coaches Paul Jones, Thad Umberger, Ben Campbell, Rachel Artrip and Alex Cave; and, other high school officials concerned for the outstanding accomplishment of the basketball team.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this proclamation be presented to the George Wythe High School Girls' Basketball Team, the coaches, other officials concerned and the news media.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Wytheville, Virginia, to be affixed this 27th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Mayor Crewe requested the members of the basketball team and coaches to come forward for the presentation of the resolution and to have a photo taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was duly made, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting (8:00 p.m.).

Trenton G. Crewe, Jr., Mayor

Sharon G. Corvin, Town Clerk

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

APRIL 24, 2017

1. Earlier this year, the Council requested representatives in the Virginia General Assembly to introduce a bill that would amend the Town Charter to simplify the procedure for replacing a vacancy on the Town Council. We have now confirmed that the Charter change, requested by the Town, has been approved by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor. The Governor approved the Charter change on February 23, 2017, and the change will become effective on July 1, 2017, provided that we amend the Town Code to reflect these changes. The amendment removes provisions that would require a special election to fill certain vacancies in the office of the Mayor or the Town Council. It subjects all such vacancies to existing requirements that vacancies be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Council. The amendment corrects the situation that we had this past year when it was necessary to have a special election. Later in the meeting, the Council will consider an ordinance that modifies these changes. It would be the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee that the ordinance be adopted, on first and final reading, with the effective date of the revision to be July 1, 2017.
2. We have been advised that Wytheville has been accepted into the HEAL Program. We believe that this is an exciting program, which will, hopefully, improve not only the dietary standards and degrees of exercising activity but will

also improve the health of our citizens. The Council adopted a resolution requesting to join the HEAL Cities and Towns Campaign for the mid-Atlantic to help foster health environments through the policies that increase access to healthy eating and active living for residents. HEAL stands for Healthy Eating Active Living, which are two critical components to a healthy lifestyle. The purpose of this program is to promote these lifestyles. We believe that by encouraging the communities to be active, improving access to healthy food and promoting a physical municipal workplace, Wytheville will contribute to the physical health of its citizens, while also aiming to improve the overall quality of life and promote business investment throughout the town. The campaign was created by the nonprofit Institute for Public Health Innovation and the Maryland and Virginia Municipal Leagues to support local elected officials in creating policies that improve access to health foods and physical activity in communities throughout our state. Our participation in the HEAL Program is at no cost to the community. The campaign is administered by the Institute for Public Health Innovation and funded by private foundations. We look forward to implementing a number of programs that are aimed at improving the community's health.

Jacqueline K. King

Beth A. Taylor

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

APRIL 24, 2017

1. At our meeting held on March 27, 2017, Town Council requested the Planning Commission to evaluate any potential zoning changes that would be of assistance in screening the view of stacks of used tires throughout the community. Since that time, we have continued to evaluate the situation and believe that regulations are more fittingly placed in the Town Code. Later in the meeting, the Council will consider an ordinance that will adopt new regulations concerning the keeping of waste tires. Under the new definition, it will be unlawful for any person to store waste tires on public or private property without having the waste tires shielded from view from all adjacent streets, properties and alleys. To accomplish this, the tires must be shielded from public view by one of several methods. One would, obviously, be to provide a fully enclosed structure or building. A second alternative would be to provide a completely enclosed area by either a solid, rigid or opaque fence. Finally, a third option would be to create a significant landscaping arrangement that would block the view of the tires. We believe that it is important to adopt these regulations since we are spending a considerable amount of time, effort and money on improving the esthetics of our community. When the ordinance is considered later in the meeting, it would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that the ordinance be approved on first, but not final, reading.

Also, there is yet an additional ordinance that will be considered this evening

concerning the use of tents for meetings. The Town Code provides for the use of a tent for church and other activities restricted to ten days. This past year, we had several circumstances where the ten day limit imposed a certain hardship on the persons seeking a permit. As such, we believe that it is worthwhile to provide some flexibility in this program and give the Town Manager the opportunity to extend the length of the permit, beyond ten days, at his discretion. When this ordinance is considered later in the meeting, it would be the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that it be adopted on first and final reading.

2. We have now been advised that all three governing bodies, Wythe County, the Town of Rural Retreat and the Town of Wytheville, have each agreed to fund the study to be performed by The Retail Coach company. Under the terms of this agreement, the funding for the program will be 45 percent by Wythe County, 45 percent by the Town of Wytheville and 10 percent by the Town of Rural Retreat. During this initial phase, the Town of Wytheville and Wythe County will contribute \$20,250, and the Town of Rural Retreat will contribute \$4,500. Under the provisions of the contract, we can withdraw from the program at any time upon giving notice. The contract does provide for a year two and a year three ongoing study, if the governing bodies choose to continue with the program. The purpose of the program is to gather information and data that can be used by The Retail Coach in recruiting various retail and restaurants to our county and town. Often, retailers make decisions solely on the demographics of the community and do not consider other factors. We, of course, have a smaller population but, we also have a tremendous

tourism industry, as well as being at the intersection of two major interstates. We believe that these factors of being at the hub of Southwest Virginia should have meaning when retailers and restaurants are considering us. It is anticipated that the study will commence within the next few weeks with the data gathering process. We will keep everyone posted on the status of this initiative as it moves forward.

Thomas F. Hundley

Joseph E. Hand, Jr.