

Minutes of a Continued Meeting of the Council of the Town of Blackstone, Virginia held in the Council Chambers located at 100 W. Elm Street, Blackstone, on Monday, June 28, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.

There Were Present:

Mayor: William D. Coleburn

Council Members: L. Benjamin Green, John W. Hill, Jr., Barbara Thompson, Alfred Tucker, J. A. Wilson, Jr., Constance T. Wynn

Town Staff: Jennifer H. Beck, Administrative Assistant, Joan R. Palmore, Town Clerk, Charles C. Wells, Finance Director

Those Absent:

Council Members: Councilman Quicke

Town Attorney: Kennon C. Walden, Jr.

Town Staff: J. Larry Palmore, Town Manager, David Dunn, Assistant Town Manager, Nicholas C. Kuzmiak, Police Chief

Mayor Coleburn called the Continued meeting to order and led in prayer.

**ADOPTION OF 2007/08 BUDGET**

Councilman Wilson thanked Councilman Hill and Councilman Quicke for all their help on the budget this year. He stated that the Town is giving, on average, a 5% pay increase.

Councilman Wilson made a motion to adopt the 2007/08 budget as advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Green and approved as follows. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye

*(Councilman Tucker was absent during this vote.)*

**RATIFY POLL TAKEN ON JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> - CLEARING LAND AT INDUSTRIAL PARK**

Councilman Hill made a motion to ratify the following Poll taken on June 25<sup>th</sup> to authorize the Town Manager to have SVCC Heavy Equipment School clear five or six acres of land at the Industrial Park.

Councilman Quicke	-	Unavailable
Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye
Councilman Tucker	-	Unavailable

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wynn and approved as follows. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye

*(Councilman Tucker was absent during this vote.)*

**RATIFY POLL TAKEN ON JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup> - TO PURCHASE A TRACK-HOE FROM CARTER MACHINERY**

Councilman Green made a motion to ratify the following Poll taken on June 26, 2007, to authorize the Town Manager to purchase a track hoe from Carter Machinery in the amount of \$78,000.

Councilman Quicke	-	Unavailable
Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye
Councilman Tucker	-	Unavailable

The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson and approved as follows. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye

Councilman Hill - Aye  
Councilwoman Thompson - Aye

*(Councilman Tucker was absent during this vote.)*

**CARRY OVER \$400,000 TO NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET**

Councilman Hill made a motion to carry over \$400,000 to next year's budget in order to cover the bills for this month. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson and approved as follows. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn - Aye  
Councilman Green - Aye  
Councilman Wilson - Aye  
Councilman Hill - Aye  
Councilwoman Thompson - Aye

*(Councilman Tucker was absent during this vote.)*

Councilwoman Thompson stated that she would like to go on record that she is opposed to the Town wide voting precinct.

Councilman Green thanked Administrative Assistant Beck for her help on the Virginia Main Street project.

Councilwoman Wynn stated that she met with the Governor today at the Hyde Park opening. She asked the Governor to come to Blackstone, at his convenience, to kick-off our Virginia Main Street designation. She stated that the Governor thanked her for her invitation.

*Councilman Tucker entered the meeting.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

Councilman Wilson made a motion to go into Closed Session according to the following.

Virginia Code Section 2.1-3711  
-Personnel

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wynn and approved unanimously. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye
Councilman Tucker	-	Aye

Mayor Coleburn declared the meeting back in Open Session.

Councilman Green made a motion to certify that to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened, were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson and approved as follows. Vote:

Councilwoman Wynn	-	Aye
Councilman Green	-	Aye
Councilman Wilson	-	Aye
Councilman Hill	-	Aye
Councilwoman Thompson	-	Aye
Councilman Tucker	-	Aye

There being no further business to bring before Council, Mayor Coleburn declared the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

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MAYOR  
OF THE TOWN OF BLACKSTONE, VIRGINIA

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED

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TOWN CLERK  
OF THE TOWN OF BLACKSTONE, VIRGINIA

