

**Fayette Regular Town Council Minutes**

**FRIDAY JANUARY 3, 2019**

**LOCATED AT FAYETTE TOWN HALL AT 7PM**

**AGENDA TO BE FACILITATED BY MAYOR BRENDA LEIFSON**

**CALL TO ORDER AT 7PM**

**PRAYER BY KATHI WILLIAMS**

**ROLL CALL: BRANDON JENSEN, JOHN BOWN, JOAN SPAINHOWER, PATRICIA MURPHY, KATHI WILLIAMS, BRENDA LEIFSON**

**1) White's Sanitation didn't make it tonight**

**2) Scott Bartholomew a citizen of Fayette spoke. He was talking about the court with the ex-clerk. He said that he had gotten a copy of the tape of the court and was very offended with what Patricia said on behalf of the Town Council. He offered the tape to all to listen to it if they want. Our Town is built on volunteerism and this building was built by volunteers. Please ask the ex-mayor's to help and they will be glad to help. Mayor Leifson told Scott to stop ridiculing others. He talked about the money from Insurance and said that we should put it in the Road fund for the future. Also to hire an Auditor to help with books.**

**Patricia stated that she did make the statements in connection with the court and said that she was here to help the Town not to tear it down.**

**3) Kevin Daniels and Wes Mangum, the Prosecutors from the County were in attendance and then addressed the Town Members. They explained the process that took place in this case of our ex-clerk. This goes on all over the Country.**

**The Investigation by the County Sherriff is the first thing that happens and then they see who is involved and the situation going on and then turns it over to the County Detective who then turns it over to the County Attorney's office. Mr. Daniels assigned the case to Wes Mangum his Deputy Attorney. They both go over the details and then press charges. He had several other County attorney's look at the evidence and they agreed that there was enough evidence to go forward. Filed Information or charges.**

**The person being charged is then served or arrested and questioned. She then hired an attorney.**

**They go through Discovery and get more evidence. Also similar cases were looked at. There is also a Sentencing Commission that determines specific guidelines.**

**Offered plea deal, 3 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Felony counts, she pled guilty.**

**AP&P came up with recommendation of No Jail sentence. The County couldn't get the assessment that they wanted so they needed to get 60 days. The Judge gave her 45 days.**

**She is back in the Community and she needs to be accepted. We need to get along with her and let it go on. Might take a while to heal.**

**The letter that was written was not signed and that was cowardly. We need to put our name on things and admit to our concerns. The Attorney's aren't too concerned with the letter. Thank you!**

**4) Consider Civil Suit. Patricia presented that the State Auditor suggested a Civil Suit. LaMar Bartholomew asked to comment on this issue. He commented that a Suit would be a long process and when we are done we aren't going to be satisfied with the outcome. The Public responded with applause. Town Council asked for show of hands of those who didn't want to do a Civil Suit. Patricia made a motion to not pursue a Civil Suit and John seconded that motion and the council passed the motion.**

**5) Water Book is the next issue to talk about. Joan suggested forming a committee to put the book back to the original. The certificates are out of order and need to be back together. John makes the motion to form a committee to put the Water Book back together. Joan seconded the motion and it was passed by the Council. The Committee is as follows: Travis Mellor, Bob Bown, Janice Bown, Lila Bartholomew, LaMar Bartholomew, and Joan Spainhower.**

**Citizen's Comments:**

**LaMar was hurt by letter and then another letter was sent to Patricia. Be responsible!! STOP it!!!**

**Dani Bown said that Dave Bown, her husband, has never been Thanked for all of his service to this Town.**

**We need to get along. Travis Mellor commented that we need to heal and the Community has good ideals and it might take some time, but it will come.**

**6) Minutes need to be passed for November and December. Brandon made motion to past minutes for December. John seconded and the Council passed them. Joan Abstained. Brandon made motion to pass November Minutes, John seconded the motion and the Council passed the motion. Joan Abstained. Minutes were passed for both months.**

**8) Money from Insurance Company, Brandon suggested to put into a Rainy Day fund. We need to put it in a Savings Account. The other money over and above the Savings Account, Patricia suggested hiring an Auditor to help with Checks and Balance System. John would**

**like to put it in a Savings account. John makes motion to put the money in a Savings Account, Joan seconded the motion and the Council passed the motion.**

**7) Consider the expenditures. Security Deposits given back last month. Loans will be paid once a year. One Loan only has one more year to go to be paid off. John made motion to pass expenditures, it was seconded and Council approved the expenditures.**

**9) Passwords on computer, John asked about who had passwords on the computer. Brenda has a password to computer and Pelorus. Brenda is Always with Kathi when over at office. She used the computer when Tracy left until Christina came.**

**Kathi will be out of town March 11-30. I will do all I can before I leave.**

**Items from Town Council:**

**Brandon said he will contact P&Z for a meeting.**

**Patricia has a meeting with Six County on February 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Joan commented about how Awesome meeting was tonight.**

**John wants to say Thank you to Brenda for all that she has done with the ex-clerk. Nobody has called for Animal Control.**

**Please talk to Citizen's about water shut-off.**

**Brandon made motion to Adjourn at 9:17pm, Patricia seconded it, Passed.**