

Pocahontas Exhibition Mine
National Historical Landmark

Virginia's Official
Coal Heritage Zone

Town of Pocahontas June 30th 1882

Centre Street
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Pocahontas, Virginia 24635
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TOWN COUNCIL

Anita Brown, Mayor
Jean Boone, Vice Mayor
Lynn Fitzgerald
Bonnie Pardue

Town Council meets for its sessions on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Persons wishing to be heard or have an item placed on the agenda should make their request to the Clerk of Council by the Friday prior to the third Monday's Council Meeting Council Meeting. Request must be made by 3:00 p.m.

COUNCIL AGENDA February 25, 2008

- Item I. Work Shop Presbyterian Church 6:30 p.m.
- Item II. FORMAL SESSION Presbyterian Church 7:00 p.m.
- A. Call to Order
 - B. Invocation
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance
 - D. Consent Calendar
 - E. Old Business
 - F. New Business
 1. Mr. John Barbour – Pocahontas Business Group
 2. One Marker for Frank and Genevieve Soos to place marker at Pocahontas Cemetery
 3. Public Hearing to Close Pocahontas High School
 4. Pocahontas Indian Run
 5. Greg Jones – CDBG Update
 - G. Public Comments.
No Public Comments
 - H. Close

January 28, 2008

Pocahontas, Virginia

Council met this date for a regular session with the following present:

Council: Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue, and Mayor Brown.

Absent: Ms. Fitzgerald

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order, invocation given followed by pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Brown asked Council if there are any corrections to the minutes of the December 4, 2007 Council Meeting.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to accept the minutes as read.....Mrs. Pardue accepted the motion.....second by Mrs. Boone..... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

Mayor Brown asked Greg Jones to read Finance Report as of December 31st, 2007.

Mrs. Boone motioned to accept the Finance Report as read.....Second by Mrs. Pardue.... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

Old Business

No Old Business

New Business

1. Mr. John Barbour, Lions Club, informed council that a flea market will be held in Town of May 3rd, 2008. A Bluegrass Festival is scheduled on June 30, 2008. Mr. Barbour also informed that a new Town Sign will be constructed by June 30, 2008.

2. A letter of donation was read before council from the South Central Educational Development organization. Council took no action.

3. Mrs. Pardue motioned to donate \$100.00 to the Project Graduation program at Pocahontas High School....Second by Mrs. Boone.... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

4. Mrs. Boone motion to use the new Town Seal for this year's auto license decal. The new Town Seal was the approved creation of Mr. Mike Killinger of Virginia Beach, Va....Second by Mrs. Pardue.... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

5. Greg Jones stated that the site evaluation from Southwest Restoration has been completed. Copies of the evaluation has been distributed to Council. This was a required step for the completion of the Community Development Block Grant the Town has applied for. Greg Jones stated that a vision focus group will need to be conducted by a facilitator.

6. Greg Jones informed Council that the Pocahontas Sewage Treatment Plant is still running. The new Regional Sewage Treatment Plant went on line on July 24, 2007. The sludge in the treatment tanks at the Pocahontas Sewage Treatment Plant will need to be aerated until removed. Tazewell County Public Service Authority indicated to the Town that they would help remove the 70,000 gallons of sludge. To date, the county has only arrive three times in the last 6 months to help. Greg Jones stated that the Sewage Treatment Plant is still open and staffed with no incoming revenues the offset the expenses.

8. Mrs. Mary Anne White mailed a letter to Council dated December 20, 2007. Mrs. White stated that a statement was eliminated referring directly to her and she asked for the following statement to be added to the minutes.

"In paragraph #3 you wrote Thomas Childress stated he believes he knows who called the EPA and others in authority. He continued with the statement "I believe that person is you, Mary Anne White". My reply was "Tommy, I'm not two-faced. I never made that call." The Mayor Anita Brown stated, "I'll never believe she called." And council woman Bonnie Pardue stated, "I don't either, for one thing she wouldn't know who to call." I stated "you got that right." Tommy Childress openly accused me and I want it in the minutes."

Council discussed Mrs. White letter and agreed that her statements should be included in the minutes.

Mrs. Pardue motion that Mrs. White statement be included in the minutes....Second by Mrs. Boone.... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: Discussed hiring a Water Plant Operator

Planning Committee: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Utility Committee: Did not meet.

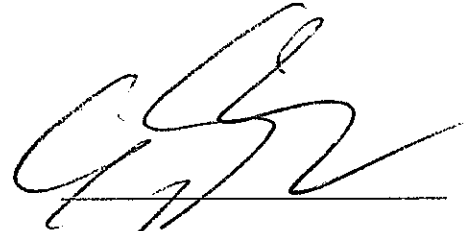
Police Report: No Report.

Fire Dept. Report: Thomas Rider stated that the Insurance inspection went fine. Three can of foam needs to be added to the fire trucks. The Fire Department needs radios. The estimates for the radios total \$15,000.00

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to adjourn the Town Council meeting. Mrs. Boone motion to adjourn the Town Council Meeting....second was made by Mrs. Pardue..... Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Pardue and Mayor Brown voted yes.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anita Brown", written over a horizontal line.

Mayor, Anita Brown

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Greg Jones", written over a horizontal line.

Greg Jones, Treasurer

P.O. Box 345
Cornelius, North Carolina 28031

February 3, 2008

The Town of Pocahontas
P.O. Box 128
Pocahontas, Virginia 24635

Attn: Mayor Anita Brown

Dear Madam Mayor:

Thank you for considering my family's request to place a stone in the Pocahontas Cemetery. We would like to place one stone, which would list both Frank M. Soos and Mary Genevieve Noechel Soos. We envision a stone of the white limestone variety, similar to the older stones already present, with just the names and dates and a single line stating "They Will Always Live in Pocahontas."

I have enclosed several pictures showing areas we like, and have numbered them in order of preference. I have also drawn a somewhat primitive map trying to give you a better perspective on the areas we have in mind.

As soon as we have the okay from the Town of Pocahontas I will meet with Bluefield Monument to finalize the details of the stone. We hope to place the stone in the cemetery during the weekend of the grand reunion.

Thank you for your time in considering this matter. If you need further information, please feel free to contact me at 704-650-4177. If need be, I can arrange to come to Pocahontas and meet with you to confirm the location. As a reminder, there will not be any bodies to be buried, since both were cremated.

Best regards,



Tom Soos

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SITE



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SITE #2

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December 20, 2007

To: Town of Pocahontas
Att: Mayor Anita Brown
Council Members
Gregg Jones/Treasurer

Dear Mayor Brown, Council Members and Gregg Jones,

Thank you for my copy of the minutes of the Town Council Meeting of October 15th. And 25th, 2007.

However, a statement was eliminated referring directly to me personally and I want that statement added to the minutes.

In Paragraph #3 you wrote Thomas Childress stated he believes he knows who called the EPA and others in authority. He continued with the statement "I believe that person is you, Mary Anne White." My reply was "Tommy, I'm not two-faced. I never made that call." The Mayor Anita Brown stated, "I'll never believe she called" and council woman Bonnie Pardue stated, "I don't either, for one thing she wouldn't know who to call." I stated "you got that right." Tommy Childress openly accused me and I want it in the minutes.

Thank you, and I expect to receive a corrected copy of these minutes.

Sincerely,


Mary Anne White

**Town of Pocahontas
Account Balances
As of January 31, 2008**

	<u>Jan 31, 08</u>	<u>Dec 31, 07</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Exhibition Mine Checking	205.24	1,143.73
Exhibition Mine Savings	16,686.08	16,681.43
Exhibition Mine Visa & MC A...	191.98	276.98
General Fund Checking	62,503.21	63,136.02
General Fund Savings	31,193.00	25,002.38
Hist Committee for Restorati...	449.07	449.05
Joe Hill Ball Park Savings	1,103.16	1,102.86
Pocahontas Cemetery Savin...	7,467.19	7,690.14
Pocahontas Easter Egg Hunt	9.81	24.81
Pocahontas Indian Run	1,128.48	1,133.48
Pocahontas VoL Fire Comp...	14,001.11	12,898.91
Water Fund Checking	4,874.79	11,063.60
Water Fund Savings	78,287.58	65,272.75
Total Checking/Savings	<u>218,100.70</u>	<u>205,876.14</u>

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Cash Basis

Town of Pocahontas
General Fund and Water & Sewer Fund Budget vs. Actual
 July 2007 through June 2008

	Jul '07 - Jun 08	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
BANK FRANCHISE TAX	0.00	4,100.00	-4,100.00	0.0%
BEER & WINE TAX	529.52	530.00	-0.48	99.9%
BUILDING PERMIT	70.00	60.00	10.00	116.7%
BUSINESS LICENSE TAX	40.00	6,100.00	-6,060.00	0.7%
CAR DECAL TAX	212.00	2,660.00	-2,448.00	8.0%
CENTEX REBURSEMENT	4,654.58			
CIRCUIT COURT FINE REC.	28.38			
COPY, FAX, STAMPS SOLD	9.50			
DONATIONS RECEIVED				
Fire Works Display	35.00			
Total DONATIONS RECEIVED	35.00			
GRANT REVENUES				
Cemetery	9,709.53			
State	2,084.00			
Total GRANT REVENUES	11,793.53			
LEAA GRANT	6,237.00	12,907.00	-6,670.00	48.3%
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	1,871.94			
PENALTIES & INTEREST	2,257.57	3,800.00	-1,542.43	59.4%
PERSONAL PROP TAX REC.	13,150.98	14,000.00	-849.02	93.9%
PSA ESCROW	9,046.24	13,569.00	-4,522.76	66.7%
REAL ESTATE TAX REC.	23,041.38	28,000.00	-4,958.62	82.3%
REFUSE COLLECTION	8,777.49	14,200.00	-5,422.51	61.8%
ROLLING STOCK TAX	2,802.35	2,650.00	152.35	105.7%
SALES TAX REC.	18,542.13	29,500.00	-10,957.87	62.9%
SEWER SALES				
Boissevain Collection	4,077.00	2,718.00	1,359.00	150.0%
Local Sales	23,541.43	10,796.00	12,745.43	218.1%
Total SEWER SALES	27,618.43	13,514.00	14,104.43	204.4%
TANGABLE PROPERTY TAX REC.	5,559.76	5,370.00	189.76	103.5%
WATER DEPOSIT	1,520.00			
WATER SALES				
Boissevain Water Sales	9,338.56	500.00	8,838.56	1,867.7%
Falls Mills Water Sales	29,005.65	85,000.00	-55,994.35	34.1%
Local Sales	116,448.63	192,400.00	-75,951.37	60.5%
Total WATER SALES	154,792.84	277,900.00	-123,107.16	55.7%
Total Income	292,590.62	428,860.00	-136,269.38	68.2%
Expense				
EMPLOYER PAYROLL TAX	8,034.83	13,253.00	-5,218.17	60.6%
FIRE & RESCUE GF				
Electric	74.22	350.00	-275.78	21.2%
Insurance	811.00	900.00	-89.00	90.1%
Total FIRE & RESCUE GF	885.22	1,250.00	-364.78	70.8%
LAUREL MEADOWS PARK GF				
Electric	700.42	1,400.00	-699.58	50.0%
Gas & Oil	18.52			
Insurance	75.00	70.00	5.00	107.1%
Supply	126.15	450.00	-323.85	28.0%
Total LAUREL MEADOWS PARK GF	920.09	1,920.00	-999.91	47.9%

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	Jul '07 - Jun 08	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
LAW ENFORCEMENT GF				
Advertising	142.57	200.00	-57.43	71.3%
Education	540.00	500.00	40.00	108.0%
Electric	49.25	188.00	-138.75	26.2%
Insurance	3,594.80	5,200.00	-1,605.20	69.1%
Misc. Expense	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Payroll	8,394.53	31,874.00	-23,479.47	26.3%
Radio Expense	286.20	780.00	-493.80	36.7%
Repair & Maint.	0.00	80.00	-80.00	0.0%
Supply	734.11	500.00	234.11	146.8%
Tech. Support	1,732.00	1,600.00	132.00	108.3%
Telephone & Internet	427.95	1,400.00	-972.05	30.6%
Vehicle Gas	320.86	1,100.00	-779.14	29.2%
Vehicle Repair & Maint.	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total LAW ENFORCEMENT GF	16,222.27	43,622.00	-27,399.73	37.2%
MUNICIPAL OFFICE GF				
Advertising	19.01	160.00	-140.99	11.9%
Election Expense	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Electric	6,038.18	11,630.00	-5,591.82	51.9%
Event Expense				
Fourth of July Celebration	1,060.00			
Total Event Expense	1,060.00			
GO Bond	480.00	720.00	-240.00	66.7%
Insurance	9,538.70	11,700.00	-2,161.30	81.5%
Internet	0.00	650.00	-650.00	0.0%
Legal Expense	2,465.62	100.00	2,365.62	2,465.6%
Misc. Expense	500.24	100.00	400.24	500.2%
NSF Check	211.96			
Oil Heat	0.00	3,600.00	-3,600.00	0.0%
Postage	639.31	620.00	19.31	103.1%
Repair & Maint.	0.00			
Supply	1,960.97	1,000.00	960.97	196.1%
Tech. Support	4,120.00	3,000.00	1,120.00	137.3%
Xerox Lease	643.51			
Total MUNICIPAL OFFICE GF	27,677.50	34,280.00	-6,602.50	80.7%
POCAHONTAS CEMETERY GF				
Contract Labor	210.00			
Gas & Oil	208.74			
Payroll	5,307.00	3,200.00	2,107.00	165.8%
Repair & Maint.	408.95			
Supply	133.15			
POCAHONTAS CEMETERY GF - Other	55.04			
Total POCAHONTAS CEMETERY GF	6,322.88	3,200.00	3,122.88	197.6%
PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. GF				
Contract Labor	432.50			
Gas & Oil	3,807.35	4,700.00	-892.65	81.0%
Insurance	2,703.55	2,700.00	3.55	100.1%
Misc.	18.91	480.00	-461.09	3.9%
Payroll	12,664.54	19,822.00	-7,157.46	63.9%
Radio Expense	150.54	200.00	-49.46	75.3%
Repair & Maint.	2,724.91	2,500.00	224.91	109.0%
Supply	5,706.14	1,149.00	4,557.14	496.6%
Vehicle Repair & Maint.	1,338.62	400.00	938.62	334.7%
Total PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. GF	29,547.06	31,951.00	-2,403.94	92.5%

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	Jul '07 - Jun 08	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT				
Chemical Expense	0.00	316.00	-316.00	0.0%
Electric	2,985.40	1,930.00	1,055.40	154.7%
Gas & Oil	0.00	4.00	-4.00	0.0%
Insurance	883.80	356.00	527.80	248.3%
Lab Expense	0.00	115.00	-115.00	0.0%
Misc. Expense	0.00	15.00	-15.00	0.0%
Payroll	8,176.72	4,622.00	3,554.72	176.9%
Rental Expense	28.62			
Repair & Maint.	0.00	56.00	-56.00	0.0%
Sewer Bond	26,323.36	4,125.00	22,198.36	638.1%
Supply	0.00	3.00	-3.00	0.0%
Telephone	242.84	83.00	159.84	292.6%
Total SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT	38,640.74	11,625.00	27,015.74	332.4%
WATER DISTRIBUTION				
Back Hoe Repair & Maint.	114.50			
Contract Labor	600.00			
Electric	205.93	500.00	-294.07	41.2%
Gas & Oil	1,067.32	570.00	497.32	187.2%
Insurance	1,445.55	1,600.00	-154.45	90.3%
Payroll	12,579.56	19,822.00	-7,242.44	63.5%
Radio Expense	25.00			
Repair & Maint.	1,629.20	3,500.00	-1,870.80	46.5%
Right of Way Lease	230.00	230.00	0.00	100.0%
Supply	7,081.73	10,002.00	-2,920.27	70.8%
Water Dist. Bond	71,225.39	99,000.00	-27,774.61	71.9%
Total WATER DISTRIBUTION	96,204.18	135,224.00	-39,019.82	71.1%
WATER OFFICE				
Adjustments & Abatements	-1,542.40	1,300.00	-2,842.40	-118.6%
Advertising	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Applied Deposit	655.74			
Copy Machine Lease (XEROX)	1,679.33	3,300.00	-1,620.67	50.9%
Electric	1,425.81	4,700.00	-3,274.19	30.3%
Fuel Heat (C & H Oil)	1,551.84			
GO Bond	1,920.00	2,880.00	-960.00	66.7%
Legal & Professional Fees	0.00	400.00	-400.00	0.0%
Misc. Expense	95.19			
NSF Check	330.76			
Payroll	20,846.60	30,210.00	-9,363.40	69.0%
Postage	1,200.60	1,900.00	-699.40	63.2%
Repair & Maint.	275.00			
Supply	1,059.65	2,000.00	-940.35	53.0%
Tech. Support	253.00	135.00	118.00	187.4%
Telephone	834.94	1,300.00	-465.06	64.2%
Total WATER OFFICE	30,586.06	48,425.00	-17,838.94	63.2%
WATER TREATMENT PLANT				
Advertising	421.20			
Chemical	2,787.48	6,700.00	-3,912.52	41.6%
Dues & Professional Fees	1,691.85	3,200.00	-1,508.15	52.9%
Electric	12,482.10	19,000.00	-6,517.90	65.7%
Insurance	2,196.90	4,000.00	-1,803.10	54.9%
Lab Expense	2,503.48	1,900.00	603.48	131.8%
Misc. Expense	11.19	100.00	-88.81	11.2%
Payroll	36,914.64	62,540.00	-25,625.36	59.0%
Postage	634.86	820.00	-185.14	77.4%
Repair & Maint.	119.98	2,500.00	-2,380.02	4.8%
Supply	360.27	2,100.00	-1,739.73	17.2%
Telephone	612.99	1,250.00	-637.01	49.0%
Total WATER TREATMENT PLANT	60,736.94	104,110.00	-43,373.06	58.3%
Total Expense	315,777.77	428,860.00	-113,082.23	73.6%
Net Income	-23,187.15	0.00	-23,187.15	100.0%