

Council Notes-August 8, 2012

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- The town has recently filled several vacant positions. The council welcomes new employees Daniel Givens and Tracey Steele to Public Works and Finance Director/Recorder Carol White to Administration.
- At the July 30th Agenda Meeting, Utility Director William Sanders explained to the council that existing water meters have exceeded their life expectancy and must be replaced. There are approximately 4,000 meters in the town. The council also discussed the possibility of contracting out meter reading based on the recommendation of a recent study that suggest contracting could save the town money and employee hours. The town manager agreed to compile additional research.
- Recreation Director Jarred Thompson reported that the town could save money and employee hours by switching the pool from a chemical circulation system to a salt water system. The council will hear a proposal from a representative of the NEX-GEN salt system next month.
- The council reviewed an opinion by the State Attorney General on the “Municipal Administrative Hearing Officer Act” (TCA Chapter 6-54-1001), which enables municipalities to appoint a hearing officer to hear building and property maintenance code violations. The council is currently reviewing a proposed ordinance.
- TDOT is requesting municipalities to propose specific transportation needs for the upcoming 2040 Transportation Plan. This is another opportunity for the council to ask the state to address the road up the front of the mountain as well as a number of other infrastructure projects.
- The council agreed that it supports efforts to create a community garden on town property and will be open to considering any specific proposals.
- Please keep yard waste out of ditches and other drainage ways to avoid causing problems for the neighbors downstream.