

**Town of Dublin
Council Minutes
March 20, 2025**

The Town of Dublin held its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 7:00 pm, in Council Chambers. Present: Mayor Debbie Lyons. Council members, Juliana Cox, Debbie Hager, Edith Hampton, Doug Poe, Vice-Mayor Wayne Seagle and Jared Smith. Others present: Town Attorney Samuel Campbell, Town Manager and Clerk of Council Darrin Cullip, Chief of Police David King Jr., Treasurer Rebecca Wright, Administrative Assistant Deanna Marshall and guest.

Call to Order

Mayor Lyons welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Lyons asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of February 20, 2025

Mayor Lyons asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the February 20, 2025 minutes. Edith Hampton made a motion to approve the minutes. Debbie Hager seconded.

Roll call:

Doug Poe Yes

Wayne Seagle Yes

Juliana Cox Yes

Debbie Hager Yes

Edith Hampton Yes

Jared Smith Yes

All were in favor

Reports of Officials

David King, Jr. – Chief of Police

Chief King stated the flock cameras had helped in recovering a stolen trailer.

Darrin Cullip – Utility

Darrin Cullip stated several trees had been cut around the Town Hall building to refresh the grounds. Grass and small trees will be replanted. The town had a 12” waterline break at Mar-Bal.

Committee Reports/Authority Reports

NRV Airport Commission Report – Mrs. Cox stated she toured the airport and there was nothing to add at this time.

Pepper’s Ferry (PFRWTA) – Mr. Seagle stated they were dealing with insurance and FEMA money. There is a need for some repairs in the future.

Virginia’s first (VFRIFA) – Mrs. Hampton stated they had their first meeting March 12th which went well. They have moved their office from Fairlawn to the County Administration Building on the second floor. There are some projects in the works and something new to come.

NRRA – Mrs. Lyons stated the last meeting was February 26th and there was nothing new to add. They are working on the new upcoming budget. Next meeting is March 26th; and a tour will be given tomorrow of the landfill.

Mount Rogers Cigarette Tax Board – Mr. Cullip stated money is coming in and will be over what was projected.

New River Regional Commission – Mr. Seagle stated he attend his first meeting. They are putting some grants and programs into place. They will be moving to Christiansburg.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business

Adult Day Care-Linda Davis

Mayor Lyons welcomed Lynn Loftus and Linda Davis for a presentation. Ms. Loftus stated the center represents Giles, Radford, Christiansburg, Blacksburg, Wytheville and Riner. Eleven attenders are US veteran’s and scholarships are offered by New River Valley Health Foundation and private donations. Attendees are provided two hot meals and a snack per day along with multiple activities. Amy Overholt and Chris Phillips talked on how it helped their fathers be more active socially, mentally and participate in activities. Funds are needed to keep the center open. Linda Davis stated the day care will be having an open house Tuesday, April 15th at 1:30 pm and invited everyone.

Claytor Lake Festival

Co-chair committee member Robbie Morris of the Claytor Lake Festival stated the festival is the largest one-day festival in the Virginia State Park system and New River Valley. The festival averages 10 to 14,000 each year; volunteer's working and meeting monthly to get everything together. This year the festival is celebrating 26 years and would like a donation from the town to help in the support. Entry fee is \$20 per vehicle or a \$5.00 discount if you bring can food which goes to the local food bank. Edith Hampton made a motion to donate \$600 for the festival. Debbie Hager seconded.

Roll call:

Doug Poe Yes

Wayne Seagle Yes

Juliana Cox Yes

Debbie Hager Yes

Edith Hampton Yes

Jared Smith Yes

All were in favor

Budget Report February, 2025

Mr. Cullip stated the budget was on track. Electricity is higher than projected but should come down. There is money set aside for a Police Department or Utility Department vehicle or equipment.

One Bag Challenge-April, May, June

Mayor Lyons stated Pulaski County Board of Supervisors and the school system will be participating in the One Bag Challenge. Town of Dublin has set a schedule and will meet on the third Saturday from 9 am to 11 am at Town Hall, April, May and June. The town is seeking volunteers to join in. Vest, gloves, trash bags and trash grabbers will be supplied. For each bag picked up and a photo taken it will be entered for a drawing of \$100. Board of Supervisors will be conducting the drawings at their monthly meetings.

Personnel Committee Update (3 Council Members Needed)

Mr. Cullip stated there needs to be three interested council members to serve on the Personnel Committee. Mr. Campbell stated at present there is a serious need for a Personnel Committee to address some issues that have arisen. Mr. Campbell recommended the committee be established tonight with a resolution. Doug Poe, Juliana Cox and Jared Smith stated they would like to be considered. Mr. Campbell stated a resolution by council to form a standing

Personnel Committee comprised of three members. The initial members are Mr. Poe, Mrs. Cox and Mr. Smith; the three of them will select amongst themselves a chairperson and that committee will convene as necessary. Either by direction of the Mayor or at the instigation of the chairperson of the committee. The committee will primarily address issues involving town employees. The committee will be charged with developing recommendations for any action that needs to be taken and those recommendations would be brought to the council for final consideration, vote and any other action. Edith Hampton made a motion to approve the resolution stated. Wayne Seagle seconded.

Roll call:

Doug Poe Yes

Wayne Seagle Yes

Juliana Cox Yes

Debbie Hager Yes

Edith Hampton Yes

Jared Smith Yes

All were in favor

Info from Town of Pulaski on sewer main to Peppers Ferry

Mr. Cullip stated he met with Pulaski Town Manager Todd Day and County Engineer Jared Linkous last week to get the status of the main sewer line. Some of the pipe will have to be lined. They are getting ready to send out bids to see what sections will need work. Dublin owns a percentage of the line coming through town. Mr. Cullip stated, it doesn't look like a lot will have to be lined in the town. More information will be coming soon.

Town of Dublin Animal Ordinance

Mr. Cullip read over the present amended animal ordinance, Section 3-4. The town has received calls regarding dogs, citizens wanting chickens etc. Mr. Campbell stated the existing town code has a section on animals and animal control. Also, an existing code on animals running at large. Mr. Campbell read over some thing's council may wish to consider given the nature of the town now. Mr. Cullip stated he could look at what ordinances other towns/jurisdictions have and see how the town would like to approach.

Update on Squad 10

Mr. Cullip stated he hasn't seen a final agreement. So far, it has been established the county will rent the building and the town will help out with an officer. The building is going to need a new roof. The town is waiting on the county/attorney to get something back to the town so details can be gone over.

Update on Building Inspections

Mr. Cullip stated the town is waiting to get information back from the county.

Recognition of service – Sam Campbell

Mayor Lyons asked Mr. Campbell to come forward and thanked him for his ten years, 7 months of exceptional service to the town. Mr. Campbell was presented a plaque of appreciation from the town.

Public Comment

There were no public comments. Mayor Lyons adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Darrin T. Cullip", written in a cursive style.

Darrin T. Cullip
Clerk of Council