

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Moser.
3. Roll Call: Roger Ashmore, Kevin Sair, Judith Davis, and Mayor Moser were present. Trevor Black was excused. Legal Counsel was excused. April Ruesch was present. Chief Louie Ford was present. Jack Davis was present. Town Clerk, Nathan Bronemann, took minutes.
4. Declarations of conflict of interests.
None stated.
5. Public Comments

John Simmerman expressed his concern over high fences being constructed in Apple Valley as exist in Hildale. He expressed his opposition to individuals “walling” themselves in. He asked if there was an ordinance that could be created to prevent the community from the high walls or fences. He also said that Canaan Way had received some rain damage and washed away a lot of the road base. He requested that more road base be brought in.

Mayor Moser said that the owners had been sited for the 8-ft. fence and that they had reduced the height to 6-ft. He said they were now in compliance with current fence ordinances. He said they had been very cooperative. He added that the Town’s motor grader was currently being repaired and would soon be out to do more work on Canaan Way. He said that with the Gateway Project, funding might be available to improve that roadway.

John Simmerman said he felt the code needed to be changed to prevent the look of Hildale in Apple Valley.

Mayor Moser said he would need to discuss suggestions to change the code with the Planning Commission. He said he agreed that Apple Valley needed to be kept beautiful.

Louie Ford said he was still concerned about a shooting ordinance for the Town.

Mayor Moser said the attorney was working on a draft ordinance.

Motion made by Roger Ashmore to close public comment. Kevin Sair seconded the motion. Vote: Roger Ashmore-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, Judith Davis-yes, Mayor Moser-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

6. Reports from Town Council members on assignments

Nothing to report.

7. Report and recommendation from the Planning Commission

Jack Davis said the survey had been sent out and they had received about 75 of them back. He said after the data had been compiled, the Planning Commission would review that data to see if the General Plan needed additional changes.

8. Report and recommendation from the Big Plains Water and Sewer SSD

Nothing to report.

9. Report from the Fire Department

Chief Ford reported that they had continued to look for the body of the missing child in Hildale but had not yet located it. He said the memorial was well attended and very well done. He said they had responded to a roll over at mile post 16. He said there were only minor injuries.

10. Report and recommendation from the Community Events Committee

Marie McGowan reported that the Founders Day celebration had gone well and that she had received positive feedback. She said attendance was about 1/3 of last year's attendance. She said that was likely due to the memorial service in Hildale at the same time. She said Ann Knight was tentatively planning the Miss Apple Valley Pageant on April. She said the "meet the candidates night" was October 22nd. She said the elections were the first Tuesday in November.

Ann Knight said the Miss Apple Valley Pageant was planned to take place Saturday, April 16th. She said they had received several donations for the pageant.

11. Report and recommendation from the Code Enforcement Officer
See attached.

12. Report and recommendation from Emergency Management
See attached.

13. Report and recommendation from the Public Works Department

Marie McGowan reported that she had found a couple roads that had been named and forgotten about. They were Wild Cat Road, 200 North, and Plains Drive. She suggested the new road by the mailboxes that will be created during the Gateway Project be named in honor of Ira Bradshaw.

14. Consent Calendar – Income and Expenses – Town Treasurer

Motion made by Judith Davis to approve the consent calendar. Roger Ashmore seconded the motion. Vote: Roger Ashmore-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, Judith Davis-yes, Mayor Moser-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

The council reviewed the current budget.

15. Consider approval of minutes:

a. September 17, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Judith Davis to approve the September 17, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Roger Ashmore seconded the motion. Vote: Roger Ashmore-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, Judith Davis-yes, Mayor Moser-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

16. Announcements

Mayor Moser mentioned the "Meet the Candidates Night" on October 22nd at 6:00 pm.

17. Request for a closed session

Not requested.

18. Adjournment

Motion made by Kevin Sair to adjourn the meeting. Roger Ashmore seconded the motion. Vote: Roger Ashmore-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, Judith Davis-yes, Mayor Moser-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Date approved: _____

ATTEST: _____
Nathan Bronemann

Richard Moser

CODE ENFORCER'S REPORT TO TOWN COUNCIL October 1, 2015

Since September 17, 2015:

I'm still working on the weed problem and giving warnings. Some property owners have been doing very well, while others are still struggling. This is not just for looks but can be a real fire, health and safety issues. Burn season started today. The big Dumpsters will be here Oct. 9th-11th, as well as the Desert industries trailer, so this is an excellent time to clean up properties.

I had a complaint about a horse getting loose and tearing up someone property. That's been taken care of for now.

We seem to have a problem with people not obtaining building permits for accessory buildings. Any building with electricity, plumbing or over 200 square feet is required to have a building permit. We have been pretty lenient, but people should not go to their neighbors with questions, but to the town.

I posted another red tag for no building permit.

I received complaints about a fence code violations, but they appear to be in compliance with our codes.

I received a complaints about a horse shelter being the wrong color and told the owner.

If anyone has a complaint regarding a code violation please come into the town office and fill out a complaint form. I will then check the codes, then the property to see if they are in compliance. If they are not I will start the process to bring them into compliance. I need to have written statements by those making the complaint in order to prosecute.

Thank you,
April Ruesch

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT October 1, 2015

I've tried to keep people informed of updates about the flood that happened in the county. We had a lot of response and I'm pleased with the outpouring of concern and help by the citizen's from our community.

The county is ready for applications for the training in Maryland next September. They told attendees should take the ICS classes prior to the training so they know what's going on. I've sent emails to those I thought should attend. We need to get our applications in ASAP.

(IMPORTANT Reminder all town officials, workers and firemen are required to take NIMS courses, 100 & 700). It is also recommended that town officials take ICS-G402. Firemen especially should complete more ICS courses online and when they become available. We need your cooperation. The more people trained, the better prepared we will be. Outside help will not always be available and able to get to us. (If you need assistance let me know. THIS will need to be done to continue getting the grant.)

Thank you,
April Ruesch