SPECIAL CALLED MEETING:

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING CONCERNING VAUGHN & MELTON / PHASE I/II REIMBURSEMENT AND LEGAL ISSUE FOR THE TOWN OF GATE CITY COUNCIL

I. Mayor, Frances Perry called the Special Called Meeting to order at 5:04 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Deputy Town Clerk, Judy Guinn

Present:
- Mayor, Frances Perry
- Vice Mayor, Allan “Cotton” Roberts
- Council Member, Wallace W. Ross, Jr.
- Council Member, Walter Salyers

Absent:
- Council Member, Roger Cassell
- Council Member, Robin Richards

Others present: Town Manager, J. Keller, Town Attorney, M. Brooks, Andy Miles, Lisa McCarty

III. NEW BUSINESS

- Issue of Vaughn & Melton / Phase I/II Reimbursement

Andy Miles – There are issues of the Gate City Regional Water Main Improvements Phases I and II. The issue at hand is the over budget amount of $69,256. On January 8, a letter was received saying that the health department would not fund the overage amount. The interest rate for Phase I was 0% and for Phase II was 3% for 30 years. At one time, it was thought that we could move from Phase I to Phase II. There is a shortfall off $69,256. The options are to get help from VML or loans.

Council Member, R. Cassell, arrived at 5:10 p.m.

There was more discussion on the shortfall, the reasons for the shortfall and some options to handle it – Contractor would work with Town and wait on that amount, V&M would also work with Town and maybe VML.

The issue was tabled until the next meeting to allow time to look at the options.
IV. CLOSED SESSION

Motion made for Council to enter into closed session to discuss

Motion by: Vice Mayor, A. Roberts  2nd by: Council Member, W. Salyers
VOTE:  Yeas, 4
       Nays, 0
       Absent, 1
       Abstain, 0

Mayor Perry opened the closed session at 5:25 P.M.

V. RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council returned from closed session at 6:08 P.M.

Motion made for Council to return from closed session.

Motion by: Vice Mayor, A. Roberts  2nd by: Council Member, W. Ross, Jr.
VOTE:  Yeas, 4
       Nays, 0
       Absent, 1
       Abstain, 0

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING – Read by: Council Member, R. Cassell

WHEREAS, the Gate City Town Council has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-7312 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Town Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gate City Town Council hereby certifies that to the best of each member’s knowledge, (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirement by Virginia law were discussed in closed meeting to which this certification applies and (2) only such business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Gate City Town Council.

VOTE:  Yeas, 4
       Nays, 0
       Absent, 1
       Abstain, 0

VI. MOTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION:

There were no motions from closed session.
VII. ADJOURN

Motion made to adjourn.
Motion by: Council Member, W. Salyers 2nd by: Vice Mayor, A. Roberts
VOTE: Yeas, 4
Nays, 0
Absent, 1
Abstain, 0

*Mayor Perry adjourned the meeting at 6:10 P.M., until the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting, on February 12, 2013, at 6:30 P.M.

Frances Perry – Mayor

Judy Guinn – Deputy Town Clerk