

TUESDAY JANUARY 16, 2007
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TOWN OF SAWMILLS
6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Bobby Austin
Joe Norman
Bob Gibbs
Eddie Bowman
Gerelene Blevins
Joe Wesson

STAFF PRESENT

Robert Frye
Susan Noll
Terry Taylor

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Bobby Austin called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Mayor Austin gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Austin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 19TH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Eddie Bowman the regular meeting minutes for December were approved. All were in favor.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9TH SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: On a motion made by Joe Wesson and seconded by Gerelene Blevins the special meeting minutes for January were approved. All were in favor.

ADOPT AGENDA: Mayor Austin asked for a motion to adopt the agenda with the following changes, item six: Awards: Fire Department Personnel of the Year was exchanged with item nine: Annual Council Retreat. On a motion made by Gerelene Blevins and seconded by Joe Wesson a motion was made to adopt the agenda with changes. All were in favor.

COMMUNITY MATTERS: Dr. Steve Stone the new Superintendent of Caldwell County Schools was on hand to introduce himself and to say thank the Council for their support of Sawmills Elementary.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: The Chamber of Commerce had spoken with the Council at last month's meeting and made a request for

monetary assistance. The Chamber is going to develop a website to highlight tourism opportunities in Caldwell County. The chamber has asked the Town to contribute \$500.00 to this project.

Town Administrator Frye stated that there are sufficient funds in the donation line item to cover this expenditure.

On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Joe Wesson, Council will donate \$500.00 to the Chamber of Commerce. Those in favor were Joe Norman, Bob Gibbs, Eddie Bowman, and Joe Wesson. Voting Against was Gerelene Blevins.

ANNUAL COUNCIL RETREAT: Administrator Frye suggested holding the Council's annual retreat on Thursday, February 1st 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On a motion made by Eddie Bowman and seconded by Gerelene Blevins, the Council will hold the meeting at the Broyhill Civic Center on February 1, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

AWARDS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL OF THE YEAR: Mayor Bobby Austin on behalf of the Town Council presented plaques of appreciation to:

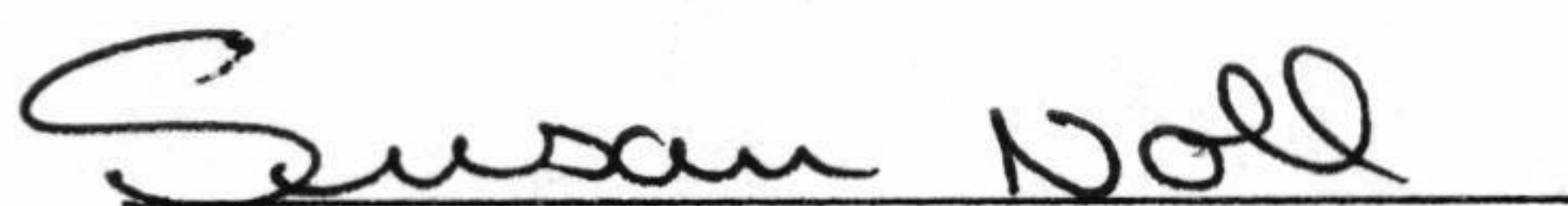
Firefighter of the Year: Chris Jacobs

First Responder of the Year: Dino DiBernardi

Officer of the Year: Lt. Keith Carver

TOWN HALL MEETING: No one present wished to address council.

ADJOURN: Eddie Bowman made a motion and Joe Wesson seconded, to adjourn the meeting and go into closed session.


Susan Noll, Town Clerk


Bobby Austin, Mayor