

AGENDA
HILLSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 27, 2021
HILLSVILLE TOWN HALL

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM
- II. INVOCATION
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
- V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD
- VI. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
- VII. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT
- VIII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT
- IX. REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
- X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- XI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. TWIN COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTATION—LAURA ROMANOWSKI
 - B. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION—DESIGNATION OF THE NEW RIVER CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY FOR TRAINING TOWN OF HILLSVILLE LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL
 - C. BILL VOUCHER
- XII. ADJOURNMENT

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
TOWN OF HILLSVILLE

Hillsville Town Council met at Town Hall on Monday, September 27, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. for their regular semimonthly meeting.

COUNCIL:

Gregory N. "Greg" Crowder, Mayor
Ed Terry, Pine Creek
Greg Yonce, Laurel Fork, absent
David Young, Pipers Gap
Barry Jessup, Sulphur Springs

Town Manager, Retta Jackson
Town Treasurer, LeAnna Surratt
Clerk of Council, Vickie Yonce, absent
Town Attorney, Paul Cassell
Police Chief, Shannon Goad

I. CALL TO ORDER—7:00 PM

Mayor Crowder called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

II. INVOCATION

Councilman David Young gave the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 13, 2021

On a motion by Ed Terry and a second by David Young, Council moved to approve the minutes of September 13, 2021, as presented.

VOTE: Barry Jessup – Aye
Greg Yonce – Absent

Ed Terry – Aye
David Young – Aye

V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

VI. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Copies of the Town Manager's report were distributed prior to the meeting. Ms. Jackson announced there would be a ribbon cutting for the County/Town LOVE sign on Saturday, October 22, 2021, at 11 a.m. in conjunction with the Chili Shootout and Pumpkin Festival and invited all of council to attend.

VII. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Town Attorney Paul Cassell had nothing to report.

VIII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

A copy of the Police Chief's report was distributed prior to the meeting. A copy is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes. Chief Goad had nothing further to report.

IX. REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilman Ed Terry asked to remember Greg Yonce in prayers as he worked through his sickness.

Councilmen David Young and Barry Jessup expressed their thoughts and prayers were going out to the Yonce family as well.

Mayor Crowder expressed his concerns for Councilman Yonce as he had also worked through COVID and requested everyone continue to pray for him.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. TWIN COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTATION – LAURA ROMANOWSKI

Laura Romanowski presented on The Arts Council of the Twin Counties and their projects. She requested that the Town of Hillsville continue her contribution annually of \$1,750 allowing the state to match for a total of \$3,500 funding. A copy of her notes is attached.

B. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION—DESIGNATION OF THE NEW RIVER CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY FOR TRAINING TOWN OF HILLSVILLE LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

On a motion by Ed Terry and a second by David Young, Council moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. A copy of the Resolution is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: Barry Jessup – Aye
Greg Yonce – Absent

Ed Terry – Aye
David Young – Aye

C. BILL VOUCHER

On a motion by David Young and a second by Ed Terry, Council moved to approve the Bill Voucher as presented. A copy of the Bill Voucher is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: Barry Jessup – Aye
Greg Yonce – Absent

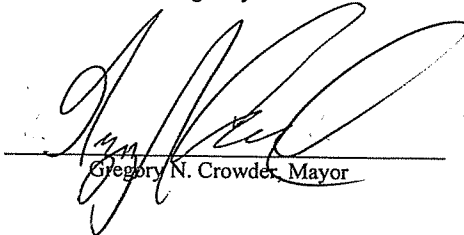
Ed Terry – Aye
David Young – Aye

XII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by David Young and a second by Ed Terry, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

VOTE: Barry Jessup – Aye
Greg Yonce – Absent

Ed Terry – Aye
David Young – Aye



Gregory N. Crowder, Mayor



LeAnna Surratt, Town Treasurer

**Town Council Meeting
September 27, 2021
Law Enforcement Activity Numbers**

Hillsville Police Department

September 1, 2021 to September 15, 2021	
Activity	Totals
Assist Motorists	17
Assist County	6
Assist Fire Department	1
Assist EMS	5
Assist Other Departments	3
Assist HPD Officers	15
Custody Orders	0
Detention Orders	0
Protective Orders	1
Criminal Investigations	4
Domestic Complaints	5
Accident Investigations	9
Follow-Up Investigations	7
Warrants Obtained	2
Warrants Served	2
Business Checks	757
House Checks	2
Welfare Checks	1
Community Engagement	161
Parking Tickets	0
Foot Patrols	21
Escorts	8
Interdiction (Drug) Stops	1
Service Calls (Other)	88
False Calls/Unfounded	11
DUI - Alcohol Arrests	0
DUI - Drugs Arrests	0
Drunk in Public Arrests	1
Criminal Arrests - Traffic Stop	0
Criminal Arrests - Non-Traffic	1
Uniform Summons - Speeding	63
Uniform Summons - Reckless Driving	7
Uniform Summons - Safety Belts	0
Uniform Summons - Child Safety Seats	1
Uniform Summons - Fail to Move Over	0
Uniform Summons - Hands Free Violations	0
Uniform Summons - Other Traffic	16
Magistrate Summons (Non-Uniform)	0
Warnings - Traffic Stop	28
Uniform Summons - Unsecured Trash	0
Uniform Summons - Littering	0
Warnings - Unsecured Trash	0
Vehicles Observed (Carrying Trash)	9

On Thursday, July 22, 2021, Town Manager Retta Jackson and Chief of Police Shannon Goad attended the Monthly Board Meeting of the New River Criminal Justice Training Academy in Dublin, Virginia to officially sign the 2021-2022 Academy Charter. However, due to recent feedback from their Law Enforcement Agencies stating that just signing the charter may not be enough to establish continued affiliation with the academy, the NRCJTA is now requesting that all its individual member agencies have their respective governing body adopt a resolution which affirms that each individual agency is, and will remain, affiliated with NRCJTA for at least the next Five (5) years. This resolution should (1) affirm existing affiliation, (2) confirm continuing affiliation, (3) cures any defect in, or the lack of, prior, proper action by the applicable governing body, and (4) estops the locality or entity from later claiming *ultra vires*, i.e., no proper authorization. The Hillsville Police Department has attached a copy of this resolution that covers these four areas for your adoption consideration.



Hillsville and The Arts Council of the Twin Counties
Hillsville Budget Request: \$1,750
VCA/CCP Match: \$1,750
Total Annual Funding: \$3,500

Since its inception, The Arts Council of the Twin Counties has strived to present a balanced slate of programming throughout the municipalities of the Twin Counties. We maintain equal representation on our board of directors from Carroll County, Grayson County and the City of Galax. As a Creative Communities Partnership grant recipient from Hillsville, The Arts Council annually presents the following programs with/for the citizens of Hillsville & Carroll County:

Empty Bowls - Over the past eleven years, the Arts Council has raised \$16,000 for the Carroll County Ministerial Association's Food Pantry. We annually partner with Carroll County High School Art Students, Shoney's Restaurant and First United Methodist Church of Hillsville to host the lunch-time fundraiser. Additionally, the Arts Council purchases pottery supplies for CCHS Art Students to help fund the production of the pottery bowls.

Arts-in-the-Schools - Each year, Carroll County Elementary schools are offered Arts programming for their students. Over the past years, performers from the Barter Theatre, Native American Storytellers and African Drum & Dance ensembles have broadened the horizons of Carroll County Students at no cost to the schools.

Arts Alive - An annual event at Carroll County Middle School, Arts Alive brings 8 - 12 master craftsman and artists to CCMS in a showcase for the student. The students can watch as the artists ply their craft, ask questions, try their hand at a new skill and learn how hobbies can become careers. This program continues despite the lack of additional grant funding and all artists and craftsman donate their time and talent for the day.

Carmichael Scholarships - Each year, the Arts Council makes available a dedicated Carroll County High School scholarship for graduating seniors who have pursued the arts and have a plan to incorporate it in their future endeavors. Additionally, a theatre scholarship and a home-school scholarship are also available to qualified Carroll County students.

21st Century Learning Partner with CCMS - The Arts Council has served as an arts partner for CCMS, developing workshops and scheduling artists for the grant-funded, after-school program.

Wandflower Theatre - A youth theatre project for the Arts Council, Wandflower Theatre is the brain-child of a former Carroll County High School student, Wesley Harmon. Focusing on young adult performers, the Arts Council has committed to sponsoring this youth theatre initiative, providing financial and administrative guidance for a summer production each year. To date, they have presented "Completely Hollywood (abridged)" in 2018, "SHIPWRECKED!" in 2019, and "The Hobbit" in 2020.



New River Bell Ensemble - The Arts Council serves as the administrative sponsor for this community handbell group which has Carroll County members and has performed at the Presbyterian Church of Hillsville.

Additional Programming open to Hillsville residents:

Missoula Children's Theatre - a week long theatre residency open to all Twin County students ages 6 - 18. We hope to bring MCT to Carroll County High School this Summer (July 2021) and house the MCT actor/director team at the Knob Hill Motor Court.

Community Theatre - 2 annual, amateur theatre productions open to anyone interested in directing, performing, designing or working backstage. Previously, we toured "Tales of Terror - An Evening of Spooky Stories" to Hillsville in October 2017 and produced "Red" at the Cherry Orchard Theatre in August/September 2020. Community theatre productions are presented at appropriate venues throughout the Twin Counties.

Winter Concert Series - Held in Independence, this free, classical music series presents musicians (students & faculty) from Radford University and the University of North Carolina School of the Arts 5-6 times throughout the winter months.

Stories of the Stitch - In partnership with Matthews Living History Farm Museum, Stories of the Stitch is an outdoor quilt show and fiber arts showcase held on the first Saturday after Labor Day. Quilt entries are free of charge.

Skyland Lakes Golf Tournament - A benefit for the Arts Council held in September 2018 & 2019 with hopes of re-launching in 2022).

Garden Party/Summer Teas - Arts Council Benefit held in various locations open to all Twin Counties residents.

Future Hillsville Plans

Jazz on the Mountain - The Arts Council is currently in discussion with Sidna Allen Home director, Shelby Puckett and community organizer, Jae Furman to bring back Jazz on the Mountain at the soon-to-be built gazebo at the Sidna Allen Home. Targets Program re-launch is July 2022.

Chili Shoot-Out Judge - The Arts Council's Executive Director has previously served as a Chili Shoot-out Judge.

Hillsville Farmers Market - The Arts Council is open to providing arts related activities upon request.

RESOLUTION

OF

THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HILLSVILLE, VIRGINIA

CONFIRMING DESIGNATION OF AND AFFILIATION WITH THE NEW RIVER CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY IN DUBLIN, VIRGINIA AS THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY FOR OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

Whereas, all "law enforcement officers" and "jail officers" who are employed by any locality (county, city, town) or public entity, or by any private entity which has a "private police department", and who undertake law enforcement activities in the Commonwealth of Virginia are required to receive training and certification at an approved criminal justice training academy in order to be and remain eligible for such employment; and

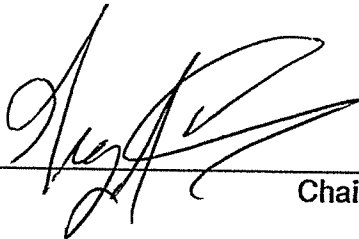
Whereas, pursuant to Virginia Code §15.2-1747, it is the duty and prerogative of the "governing body" of the locality or public or private entity to designate the criminal justice training academy with which the law enforcement agency (sheriff's office, police department, security division, corrections officers) of such locality or public or private entity shall affiliate and from which such law enforcement agency shall obtain and receive training of its law enforcement personnel; and

Whereas, after consultation with the incumbent Chief of the Hillsville Police Department, it is his recommendation that Hillsville Police Department remain affiliated with the New River Criminal Justice Training Academy, a criminal justice training academy located in Dublin, Virginia and which is certified by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services as an approved criminal justice training academy; and

Whereas, we, the incumbent members of the applicable governing body, concur with such recommendation;

Therefore, the Council of the Town of Hillsville, Virginia, in public or open session on the date hereof, by ___ unanimous | majority (check whichever is applicable) vote of its members, hereby (1) resolves that (i) the New River Criminal Justice Training Academy is designated as the sole provider of criminal justice training services to/for the Hillsville Police Department and (ii) that this resolution shall continue in effect until such time (if any) as this governing body, by resolution and in accordance with all requirements of Virginia Code §15.2-1747.D (or any subsequent amendment(s) or replacement(s) of this statute) determines otherwise; (2) approves the proposed new 2021-2022 Charter of the New River Criminal Justice Training Academy; and (3) authorizes and directs the town manager AND the locality's or entity's senior law enforcement officer to sign such charter on behalf of the Council of the Town of Hillsville, Virginia to confirm acceptance of same.

Resolved, adopted, and effective this September 27, 2021.



Chairman/Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

