

MS. JOHNSON

(Reading the minutes from the last meeting, a little hesitant to relive the end of the meeting.)

Big Cherry City Council Meeting. Tuesday, October 25th. Minutes. Attendance: V. Assalone, R. Blake, M. Breeding, J. Carp, H. Hanratty, G. Innes, B. Matz, G. Oldfield, Mayor Superba. Staff: D. Not in attendance: B. Peel. Guests: None, closed session.

Number One. Welcome and Overview. Mayor Superba called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and, due to the closed meeting, dispensed with the invocation. The council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Number Two. The minutes of the meeting of October 18th were submitted and approved. (APP-X 972, 'COBC Co. Meeting Min.', 10/25.)

Number Three. The council then turned to the subject of the upcoming Big Cherry Heritage Festival. There was a lot of discussion about the importance of this year's festival in particular, for two reasons: First, November 29 will be the sesquicentennial of the Battle at Mackie Creek, and second, attendance has been steadily dropping at the festival for twelve consecutive years and the festival now consistently operates at a deficit. Mr. Carp continued discussion of the Festival, raising the issue of lost and stolen bicycles, held in a City of Big Cherry warehouse. Mr. Carp went on to say that he had taken a low view of the festival and suggested that the community might be better off without it. This view was rejected and Mr. Carp's tenure with the council was completed. (NB: APP-X 974, 'Tr. Carp on BCHF', 10/25.)

Given the high emotion of the proceedings, Mayor Superba called an end to the meeting before any other agenda items could be considered. Closing ceremony. The meeting concluded at 8:18 pm.

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