Minutes of a special called meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Marion, Virginia held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on May 17, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor David Helms; Jane Hale, Tricia Spencer, Suzanne Jennings, Bill Weaver, Dr. Jim Gates, Jim Owens and Jim Barker Council Members; Town Manager John E. B. Clark, Jr.; Town Attorney Mark Fenyk; Police Lieutenant Rex Anders; Purchasing Agent Billy Hamm; Economic Development Director Ken Heath; Smyth County News Representative Stephanie Porter-Nichols; and Town Clerk/Director of Finance Cindy Stanley.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mr. Heath rendered the invocation. Mayor Helms led the Pledge to the Flag.

VISITORS: There were no visitors.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: There were no public presentations.

Mayor Helms thanked the Budget Committee made up of Mr. Barker, Dr. Gates, John, Cindy, Anita and Billy. He appreciated all their hard work.

Dr. Gates also stated his appreciation for the Budget Committee. Dr. Gates gave a brief summarization of the proposed 2012-2013 budget.

Mr. Clark noted the revenues for the Golf Course are \$512,752.00 and the expenditures for the Golf Course are \$508,633.00 resulting in a slight surplus of \$4,119.00.

Mayor Helms requested that vehicles approved in the budget shall be purchased according to base package per state contract, with the exception of pickup trucks which shall be four wheel drive.

Upon motion of Dr. Gates, seconded by Mr. Barker and a vote of 7 AYES and 0 NOES, a 1% employee contribution over five years will be incorporated for the Virginia Retirement System mandatory employee retirement contribution with a 1.1% pay increase for the employees.

Upon motion of Dr. Gates, seconded by Mr. Barker and a vote of 7 AYES and 0 NOES, a 2% COLA was approved.

Upon motion of Dr. Gates, seconded by Mrs. Jennings and a vote of 7 AYES and 0 NOES, the proposed 2012-2013 budget shall be advertised as stated.

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Upon motion, duly seconded and vote of 7 AYES and 0 NOES, the meeting was adjourned.	
Mayor	Clerk