



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2017 – 7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Welcome to the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Regular Council Meeting. We appreciate your interest and we encourage public participation in our meeting. Your comments are important to our decision making process. Please note that there will be two (2) opportunities during the meeting for you to address the Council members.

The first opportunity will come when the Mayor declares a public hearing open for comment. The second opportunity to address the council will come near the end of the Agenda when the Mayor will inquire if anyone wishes to speak to Council members regarding matters not listed on the Agenda. We do request that anyone addressing the Council, approach the podium, identify your first and last name and give your complete mailing address.

A. WELCOME – *Mayor Lowe*

B. ROLL CALL – *Cecile Rosenbaum, Town Clerk*

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *Cindy Patterson, Councilwoman*

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- May 1, 2017 Work Session minutes
- May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes
- May 15, 2017 Mid-month Work Session Minutes

E. CONFIRMATION OF NEW TOWN DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Consideration of confirmation of Jayne Duehring as Director of Tourism – ***Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager***
2. Consideration of confirmation of Matt Bolick, as Director of Public Services/Construction – ***Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager***

F. PROCLAMATION AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. Proclamation Recognizing June 4-10 As National Garden Week – ***Presented by Cindy Patterson, Council Member***

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Please place your name on the sign-up sheet provided and comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

H. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES –

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** – First Reading of Ordinance – Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Proposing a Real Property Tax Increase for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 – *Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager*
2. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Consideration of proposed sale of property, 2,125 square feet or .049 acres, more or less, being a portion of Tax Map No. 012-2-28, currently owned by the Town of Abingdon, 133 West Main Street, Abingdon, Virginia. – *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and Matt Bolick, Dir. of Public Services and Construction*

I. SECOND READINGS

1. Consideration of General Fund & Sewer Fund Budget proposal for the Town of Abingdon, Virginia for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

J. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS – NONE

K. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER/ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of authorization to drawdown bond funds for the cost of the wetlands mitigation and the acquisition of the right of way properties relative to the Meadows property – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
2. Consideration of award of contract to CHA for the design of the proposed sports complex on the Meadows property; authorization of the Town Manager to execute any and all documents associated with the contract; and to drawdown funds from the bond proceeds for payment to CHA for their services – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
3. Consideration of Approval of the Employee Handbook – *Stacey Reichler, Dir. of Human Resources*

4. Consideration of approval of equipment to be sold as surplus – ***Matt Bolick, Director of Public Services/Construction***

5. Consideration of moving the July Work Session and Regular Council meetings to July 10th, 2017 – ***Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager***

L. RESOLUTIONS – None

M. OLD BUSINESS/WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS NOT COVERED DURING WORK SESSION MEETING

N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Planning Commission

- Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Maggie Costello who is not able to complete her appointment
- Appointment to fill the term of Jayne Duehring who is not eligible to serve

2. Tourism Advisory Committee

- Appointment to fill the vacant term of a Bed & Breakfast representative
- Appointment to fill the vacant term of a Downtown Merchant representative
- Appointment to fill the vacant term of a Member at Large

If Council so desires, Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the purpose of considering applications to fill the positions on the Planning Commission and the Tourism Advisory Committee

N. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

O. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 1 – July 31, 2017 - “Virginia Intermont College: What Remains by Haley Hensley” – William King Museum of Art
- June 1 – September 17, 2017 – “Animal Nature 30 Year Retrospective – Ralph Slatton” – William King Museum of Art
- June 7 – Bingo – The Community Center of Abingdon
- June 8 – “The Broadcast” Thursday Jams – Abingdon Market Pavilion

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- June 9 – 17, 2017 “Third Annual Mountains of Music Homecoming”
- June 10 - The Historic Society of Washington County Annual Dinner and Program – Higher Education Center
- June 10 – “Summer Lovin’ Concert” Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 12 – Town Talk with the Mayor – Anthony’s Desserts
- June 12 – 14 - 1st Annual Field of Flags – Abingdon Veterans Park
- June 13, 15, and 17 – “Barter Days” Patrons trade canned and dried goods for admission to the Theatre – all donations go to Feeding America Southwest VA
- June 14 – Noon Knowledge – Choosing and Customizing Wordpress
- June 15 – Washington County Chamber Breakfast
- June 15 – “Forlorn Strangers” Thursday Jams – Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 21 – Noon Knowledge – John C. Maxwell’s Laws of Leadership
- June 22 – “The Marcus King Band” Thursday Jams – Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 24 – “Living History: Life in the Backcountry and the Battle of Kings Mountain” Abingdon Muster Grounds
- June 29 – “Lindsay Lou & The Flatbellys” Thursday Jams – Abingdon Market Pavilion
- July 1 – Abingdon’s Independence Day Extravaganza – Abingdon Market Pavilion
- July 6 – 3rd Annual Big Messy First Thursday – William King Museum of Art
- July 10 – Abingdon Town Council Work Session & Regular Council Meeting

P. ADJOURNMENT