



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017 – 6:30 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 an opportunity during the meeting for you to address the Council members when the Mayor declares the public comments open. We do request that anyone addressing the Council, sign-up, 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 – *Tony Sullivan, Chief of Police*

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- September 5, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes

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

**F. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES –
*NONE***

G. SECOND READINGS - *NONE*

H. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

1. Consideration of bids for Abingdon Urban Path project – ***Matt Bolick, Director of Public Services and Construction***

2. Consideration of bids for Asphalt resurfacing for the 2017-2018 fiscal year – ***Matt Bolick, Director of Public Services and Construction***

I. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER/ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of award of contract for Survey, Design, Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for Pedestrian, Road and Storm Drainage Improvements for Park Street and Tanner Street – ***Matt Bolick, Director of Public Services and Construction***

J. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia as an Endorsement of the Construction of Pedestrian, Road and Storm Drainage Improvements along Park Street and Tanner Street (UPC #105675) – ***Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager***

K. OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration of proposed Tourism Zone – ***Jayne Duehring, Director of Tourism and Tonya Triplett, Director of Economic Development***

L. CLOSED SESSIONS

- Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) for the purpose of discussing actual litigation in the matter of *Kevin Sandinaw v. Cathy C. Lowe, Richard Humphreys, Robert Howard, Deborah C. Icenhour, and Town Council of Abingdon.*
- Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711 (A)(7) for the purpose of discussing actual or probable litigation involving personnel.

M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. Consideration of Council's endorsement of a letter as prepared by the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks – ***Cathy Lowe, Mayor***

2. Consideration of up to date, independent, financial analysis of Town of Abingdon's participation in joint development project – **Wayne Craig, Council Member**

N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator

- Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Dr. French Moore, Jr. – *tabled from the September meeting*

2. Tourism Advisory Committee

- *Moving Janet Woolwine from Retail representative to the now vacant B & B representative;*
- *Appoint Kalonn Roberts, Barter Theatre employee, to Attractions now vacant representative to replace Addie Lee that is no longer available to serve;*
- *Appoint David Matlock, Executive Director of the Virginia Higher Education Center, to Higher Education Field representative to replace Sean Webb who is no longer available to serve;*
- *Appoint Chris Cannon, Executive Director of Heartwood, to at Large member;*
- *Appoint Carrie Baxter, Director of Abingdon Main Street, as the Abingdon Main Street representative*
- *Reappointment of Joel Jerkins who is eligible for another three-year term*
- *Reappointment of Martha Keys who is eligible for another three-year term*

3. Housing and Redevelopment Authority

- Reappointment of Vickye Hall who is eligible to serve another term

4. Historic Preservation Review Board

- Reappointment of Jeff Johnson, who is eligible to serve another term.

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 Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator, Tourism Advisory Committee, the Housing Development Authority and the Historic Preservation Review Board.

O. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Washington County Chamber Breakfast – October 19th – SWVA Higher Ed Center
- A Taste of Southwest Virginia – October 21st – Heartwood
- An Evening at Soule’s Tavern – October 21st – Arts Depot
- Local Stream Cleanup- October 22nd – End of French Moore Blvd past the Higher Ed Center
- What’s Cooking, Caroline? Foodie and Wine Excursion – October 26th- SWVA Higher Ed Center
- Haunted Hill at William King Museum of Art – October 28th – WKMA

P. ADJOURNMENT