



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2015 – 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 Morgan*

B. ROLL CALL – *Cecile Rosenbaum, Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk*

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *Rick Humphreys, Council Member*

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- July 6, 2015 Work Session Meeting
- July 6, 2015 Regular Meeting
- July 15, 2015 Work Session Meeting

E. EMPLOYEE RECOGNATIONS – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

- Recognition of Mike Roark, Wolf Creek Wastewater Reclamation Facility Collector, for twenty five (25) years of service.
- Recognition of Myra Martin, Front Desk Assistant Coomes Recreation Center, for ten (10) years of service
- Recognition of Reba Profitt, Accounts Payable Clerk, for ten (10) years of service
- Recognition of Melisha Wynne, Assistant Director, Aquatics Coordinator, Coomes Recreation Center, for ten (10) years of service
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F. SPECIAL COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Recipients for the 2015 Arthur Campbell Awards – *Mayor Morgan and Vice Mayor Lowe*

G. RESOLUTIONS

- I. Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia designating August 2-8, 2015 as “Farmers’ Market “ Week– *Mayor Morgan*

H. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- I. Consideration of a final plat for subdivision: **Holston Mountain Artisans**, 214 Park St. SE, Abingdon, VA 24210, **Tax Map No. 013-1-133**. - *Matthew Johnson, Director of Planning*

I. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES – None.

J. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS – None.

K. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of sponsorship request from Appalachian School of Law for The Governor’s Second Biennial Natural Resources and Energy Law Symposium, to be held at Southwest Higher Education Center September 21, 2015 - *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
2. Consideration to change the date for September Council meeting, first Monday is Labor Day - *Cecile Rosenbaum, Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk*
3. Consideration to change the date for October Council Meeting, Council will attend the VML Annual Conference in Richmond the first Monday in October - *Cecile Rosenbaum, Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk*
4. Consideration of authorization for Town Manager to sign and send MOU for passenger rail- *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
5. Consideration of authorization for Town Manager to sign letter to VDOT in support of study of transportation and safety benefits of a bypass connecting Exit 14 to Route 19- *John Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction*
6. Consideration of appropriation of sewer refund to Glenrochie Country Club- *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

L. OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on blight issue on Panorama Drive – *John Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction*

M. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- *Economic Development Authority*
 - John Mahaffey's term expires August 6, 2015, eligible for reappointment.
 - Laura Blevin's term expires August 3, 2015, eligible for reappointment.
- *Sustain Abingdon*
 - Appointment of one member to the Sustain Abingdon Committee

O. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

P. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August 6th - first Thursday
- August 9 - Create Your Own Art Adventure, Barter Tent, Free 1-3pm.
- August 19 - Mid- Month Work Session, 6pm
- September 5th - Buskerfest
- September 5th - Bluegrass, BBQ & Brews Celebration, Heartwood
- September 7th - Town offices closed in observation of Labor Day
- September 13th - Outdoor Expo, Heartwood

Q. ADJOURNMENT