

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
JOINT TOWN/COUNTY MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011 – 7:30 A.M.
VIRGINIA HIGHLANDS SMALL BUSINESS INCUBATOR**

A Joint Town/County Meeting of the Abingdon Town Council and Washington County Board of Supervisors was held on Friday, September 16, 2011 at 7:30 a.m. at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator

1a. ROLL CALL – TOWN OF ABINGDON

Members of Council Present:

Edward B. Morgan, Mayor
Cathy C. Lowe, Vice Mayor
Jason N. Berry
Richard E. Humphreys
Robert M. Howard

Administrative Staff:

Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager
Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk
Deborah C. Icenhour, Town Attorney
Jim Cowart, Dir. Economic Development
Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning
Kevin Costello, Director of Tourism

1b. ROLL CALL – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Members of Board Present:

Dulcie M. Mumpower, Chair
Odell Owens, Vice-Chair
Phillip B. McCall
Nicole M. Price
Kenneth O. Reynolds
Thomas G. Taylor

Board Member Absent:

Joseph C. Straten

Administrative Staff:

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
Christy Parker, Asst. County
Administrator/Economic Development
Lucy Bright, County Attorney
Naoma Norris, Administrative Supervisor

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Board of Supervisor member, Nicole Price gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**3a. Approval of the Meeting Agenda – Board of Supervisors**

**On motion of Mr. Owens, seconded by Mr. Reynolds, the Board of Supervisors approved the agenda as presented.**

**The vote on this motion was as follows: (6-0)**

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| <b>Mr. McCall</b>   | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Owens</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Ms. Mumpower</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Ms. Price</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Reynolds</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Taylor</b>   | <b>Aye</b> |

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3b. Approval of the Meeting Agenda - Town Council

On motion of Mrs. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Berry, the Council members approved the Agenda as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Howard	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Berry	Aye
Mrs. Lowe	Aye
Mayor Morgan	Aye

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**4. General Business:**

- a. Consideration of agreement by and between the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, the Washington County Board of Supervisors and King College, Inc. regarding economic incentives for a Medical School to be established by King College in the Town of Abingdon.**

Mrs. Mumpower, Chair, welcomed everyone in attendance and invited Dr. Greg Jordan, President of King College, to address the Council and the Board regarding the Medical School project.

Dr. Jordan provided a power point presentation with regard to the plans for the King College School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Dr. Jordan reported on the status of funding from the Virginia Tobacco Commission for the proposed Medical School and updated the Council and the Board on his plans for fundraising for the project from the private sector. Dr. Jordan further noted that the medical school would be located on property in Stonemill Technology Park. He went on to discuss partnership arrangements that had been made with the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center and Virginia Highlands Community College. He thanked the Town of Abingdon and the Washington County Board of Supervisors for their commitment to the school.

Lucy Phillips, County Attorney reviewed the Agreement document that had been finalized between the Town, the County and King College with regard to the establishment of the King College School of Medicine in Abingdon. Ms. Phillips commented that the agreement addressed development plans with regard to construction and design, a budget outline, LCME accrediting measures, and performance criteria.

Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney commented that the Town was in agreement that the document set forth all issues with regard to land and cash contributions and the town's interest was adequately protected with the agreement as presented.

Mr. Taylor, Board of Supervisor member commented about the content of the agreement with regard to operations and financial commitment on the part of the Town and County.

Mrs. Mumpower commented that the attorneys for all three (3) parties had worked diligently on the content of the agreement and they were comfortable that is set forth all the necessary criteria from the County's perspective. Mayor Morgan reiterated the same opinion from the Town's perspective.

**On motion Mr. Taylor, seconded by Ms. Price, the Board of Supervisors approved the proposed Agreement, as presented, By and Between the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, the Washington County Board of Supervisors and King College, Inc. regarding economic incentives for a Medical School to be established by King College in the Town of Abingdon.**

**The vote on this motion was as follows: (6-0)**

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| <b>Mr. McCall</b>   | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Owens</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Ms. Mumpower</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Ms. Price</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Reynolds</b> | <b>Aye</b> |

Mr. Taylor            Aye

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On motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Town Council approved the agreement, as presented, By and Between the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, the Washington County Board of Supervisors and King College, Inc. regarding economic incentives for a Medical School to be established by King College in the Town of Abingdon and further authorized the Town Manager to execute document on behalf of the Town.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Howard Aye
Mr. Humphreys Aye
Mr. Berry Aye
Mrs. Lowe Aye
Mayor Morgan Aye

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**On motion of Mr. Owens, seconded by Mr. McCall, the Board of Supervisors adjourned until their next regularly scheduled meeting.**

**The vote on this motion was as follows: (6-0)**

Mr. McCall            Aye  
Mr. Owens             Aye  
Ms. Mumpower        Aye  
Ms. Price              Aye  
Mr. Reynolds         Aye  
Mr. Taylor             Aye

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On motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Council adjourned.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Howard Aye
Mr. Humphreys Aye
Mr. Berry Aye
Mrs. Lowe Aye
Mayor Morgan Aye

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Cecile M. Rosenbaum  
Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk

  
Edward B. Morgan, Mayor