



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 – 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.*

**AGENDA**

**A. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *Bob Howard, Council Member***

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- August 6, 2012 Work Session Meeting
- August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting
- August 15, 2012 Work Session Meeting

**D. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- Mark Godbey, Treasurer/Dir. of Finance – 20 years
- Shane Wright, Sewer Department – 5 years
- Carol Dixon, Horticulture Department – 5 years

**E. SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATION**

1. Introduction and recognition of the members and coaches of the Abingdon Little League 12 year old team that recently competed in the state tournament – ***Kevin Christy, Coach***

***Team Members are:***

Nick Hardesty, Brett Boyd, Matthew Hunt, Cade Hungate, Colin Matney, Will Harless, James Compton, Kevin Christy, Bryson Thomas, and Thomas Francisco

2. Presentation by Technology Student Association from E.B. Stanley Middle School and Abingdon High School – *Charlene Gross, Teacher/Sponsor*

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

**G. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES – None**

**H. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS - None**

**I. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

1. Consideration of funding request from Whites Mill Foundation – *Bobby Ingle, Representative*
2. Consideration of recommendation by town staff regarding plan of action for better use of the Abingdon Alerts System – *Floyd Bailey, Director of Information Technology*
3. Consideration of authorization of Town Manager to obtain a feasibility study for the location of a conference hotel within town limits – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

**J. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS**

1. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Supporting a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development's 2013 Industrial Revitalization Fund – *Jim Cowart, Director of Economic Development*

**K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Consideration of change in By-Laws for the Go Green Committee – *Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager (This matter was tabled at the August 6, 2012 meeting)*

**L. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

## **N. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

### **1. *Board of Architectural Review***

- Consideration of Council member to serve – Mr. Berry has served two (2) terms – ***(Council requested at the August meeting that this item be continued to the September meeting pending recommendation on term limits by BAR)***
- 2. Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the consideration and discussion of an appointments to the Board of Architectural Review.

## **O. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- September 3rd- Labor Day- Offices Closed
- September 4<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting
- September 8th- Red, White and Bluegrass- Abingdon Market Pavilion- 5:30-9pm- Free Admission
- September 11th- Appalachian Trail Community Designation Ceremony- Abingdon Market Pavilion- 6pm
- September 10th-15th- Washington County Fair
- September 14th-6th- Rhythm and Roots Reunion- Bristol, VA/TN
- September 19<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 Council Work Session Meeting
- September 18th-21st- Overmountain Victory Trail Celebration- Muster Grounds
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 10:00 a.m. Dedication of State Regent's Project Marker at the Muster Grounds
- September 22nd- Wings and Wheels Show- Virginia Highlands Airport- 9am-3pm
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Annual VML Conference in Williamsburg, VA
- October 1<sup>st</sup> – Council Meeting
- October 4th- Barter Theatre's Evening with Bill Cosby- 7:30pm
- October 5th-7th- Abingdon Crooked Road Music Festival- Heartwood/Latture Field
- October 17<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 Council Work Session Meeting

## **P. ADJOURNMENT**