



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2010 – 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**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- July 1, 2010 Organizational/Regular Meeting

**D. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- Recognition of *Ellen Lee*, Administrative Assistant at the Coomes Recreation Center for her five (5) years of service to the Town.
- Recognition of *Melisha Wynn*, Aquatics Coordinator at the Coomes Recreation Center for her five (5) years of service to the Town.
- Recognition of *Reba Proffitt*, Accounts Payable/Utilities Clerk in the Town's Finance Department for her five (5) years of service to the Town.
- Recognition of *Shirley Atkins*, Cashier in the Town's Finance Department for her fifteen (15) years of service to the Town.
- Recognition of *Mike Roark*, Supervisor for the Sewer Department for his twenty (20) years of service to the Town.

**E. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

1. **Public Hearing** – Consideration of Lease renewal with the Depot Artist’s Association, Inc. aka The Arts Depot – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
  - a. Authorization of Town Manager to execute the lease agreement with the Depot Artist’s Association, Inc. aka The Arts Depot
  
2. **Public Hearing** - In accordance with the Code of Virginia, §15.2-2006 to receive comments from the public regarding the petition of Greg and Connie Reed, et al for the vacation of the east-west right-of-way between Canterbury Lane aka Canterbury Lane and Panorama Drive, approximately 425 feet north of Empire Drive – ***John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
  - a. Appointment of Board of Viewers
  
3. **Public Hearing** – Proposed Amendment – Application to Repeal, Amend and Reenact, Article 15, Flood Hazard District, Article 24-2, Penalty, and Article 26, Definitions of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance – ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning***
  - a. First Reading of Ordinance to Repeal, Amend and Reenact, Article 15, Flood Hazard District, Article 24-2, Penalty, and Article 26, Definitions of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance.
  
4. **Public Hearing** – Special Use Permit – Damian Sooklal, representative, application for Evanash Properties, LLC, requesting a Special Use Permit pursuant to Article 8, Section 8-2b, Special Use, of the Zoning Ordinance, southwest corner of Reservoir Street and West Valley Street, for use of Museums within the O&H (Old and Historic District). Tax Map No. 12(1)67 - ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning***
  - a. Approval of Special Use Permit pursuant to Article 8, Section 8-2b, Special Use, of the Zoning Ordinance, southwest corner of Reservoir Street and West Valley Street, for use of Museums within the O&H (Old and Historic District). Tax Map No. 12(1)67.
  
5. **Public Hearing** – Proposed Rezoning – Edmond and Lillian Beverly, 17085 Sedona Drive, Abingdon, VA 24211. Donna Kilgore, representative, application to rezone property located between Charwood Drive and Maiden

Street on the left side of such street and known as Lot No. 1 of the Highlands Development, consisting of 0.5 acres, from B-2 General Business District, R-1 to Residential District. Tax Map No. 104E(1)1 - ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning***

- a. First Reading of Ordinance for application to rezone property belonging to Edmond and Lillian Beverly, 17085 Sedona Drive, Abingdon, VA 24211 located between Charwood Drive and Maiden Street on the left side of such street and known as Lot No. 1 of the Highlands Development, consisting of 0.5 acres, from B-2 General Business District, R-1 to Residential District. Tax Map No. 104E(1)1.

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

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

**H. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

1. Consideration of funding request from the Technology Student Association chapters at Abingdon E.B. Stanley Middle School and Abingdon High School – ***Andrea L. Tidlow, Representative***
2. Consideration of funding request from Appalachian Sustainable Development, Learning Landscapes program – ***Lindsey Holderfield, Learning Landscapes Assistant***
3. Consideration of funding request from William King Museum to continue operations at the Fields Penn House through October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 – ***Marcy Miller, Executive Director***
4. Consideration of sponsorship of the Andrew Summers Exhibit at the Star Museum – ***Robert Weisfeld, Proprietor, Star Museum***
5. Introduction of National Park Service staff at the Abingdon Muster Grounds – ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning***
6. Consideration of date for regular September Council meeting as Labor Day Holiday falls on Monday, September 6, 2010 – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

7. Consideration of date for regular October Council meeting as Council members are scheduled to attend the annual Virginia Municipal League (VML) conference on Monday, October 4, 2010 – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
8. Consideration of date for a special Council work session meeting to be held in September, 2010 – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

**I. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS**

1. Consideration of Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Seeking Action by the General Assembly and Governor to Prohibit All Predatory, Usurious Lending Practices in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**L. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**M. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. ***Appointments to the Muster Grounds Steering Committee***
  - Reappointment of **Paul Carson** who *is* eligible to serve another term
  - Reappointment of **Joyce Ferrat** who *is* eligible to serve another term
  - Reappointment of **Rick Humpreys** who *is* eligible to serve another term
  - Reappointment of **Dr. French H. Moore, Jr.** who is eligible to serve another term (Dr. Moore was the Council representative)

**N. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- August 8th- Closing events for 2010 Virginia Highlands Festival
- August 12th- Council Tour of Town Departments (8:30a.m. to 5:00p.m.)
- August 12<sup>th</sup> – Groundbreaking for Dog Park 9:00 a.m.

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- August 14th- Beach Party @ Latture Field, 6pm-10pm, \$5 admission and Kids are FREE
- August 19, 20 and 21st- Bristol Race Weekend
- September 6, 2010 - Town Offices closed for Labor Day Holiday

**O. ADJOURNMENT**