

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2010 – 5:30 P.M.
DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A Work session meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Monday, August 2, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room of the Municipal Building.

A. ROLL CALL

Members of Council Present: Mayor Edward B. Morgan
Mrs. Cathy Lowe, Vice Mayor
Mr. Jason N. Berry
Mr. Richard E. Humphreys
Mr. Robert M. Howard

Administrative Staff: Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager
Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk
Debbie Icenhour, Town Attorney
Jim Smith, Town Engineer/Dir. of Wastewater Operations
John Dew, Dir. of Public Services/Construction
Garrett Jackson, Dir. of Planning
Mark Godbey, Town Treasurer/Dir. Finance
Rob Case, IT Department

Visitors: Bob Howard, Eddie Icenhour, Dan Matthews

The following items were discussed by Council:

1. Mr. Kelly, Town Manager informed the Council that he had been contacted by Todd Christensen and Rob Jones with the Heartwood Artisan Center regarding a proposal for the Town to place Tourism staff at the Center once it is operational. Mr. Kelly proposed that the Town place one full time and two part time employees at Heartwood and in exchange the Center would pay for bulk mailing costs that would be sent out on behalf of the Tourism Office by Tourism staff members. Discussion ensued among the Council and it was agreed that Mr. Kelly would draft his recommended proposal in a letter and forward it to Mr. Jones and Mr. Christensen for their review and consideration.
2. Mr. Howard, member of the Sports Complex Committee, reported on the status of the search for a suitable site for the sports complex and provided a power point presentation with four sites for Council's consideration. Mr. Howard indicated that the committee's first recommendation was the Jim Brown property adjacent to I-81 and referred to as The

Meadows. Their second recommendation was the property owned by Don Cumbow. Mayor Morgan commented that The Meadows had historic significance and that should be a priority in considering that as a location for a complex. Mr. Kelly recommended that the Council consider the options more closely at an upcoming Council work session.

3. Mayor Morgan indicated that Council would be recessing for a 6:30 joint meeting with the Washington County Board of Supervisors. He inquired if any of the Council members desired to hold a Closed Session during that joint meeting and each member indicated it was not necessary.

On motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Council recessed for a joint meeting with the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

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Edward B. Morgan, Mayor

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Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk