



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 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 - *Jason Berry, Council Member*

C. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

- Recognition of **Oakley Hay**, School Resource Officer for his 25 years of service to the Town of Abingdon Police Department.
- Recognition of the retirement of **Sherry Smith**, Cashier for the Department of Finance and employee of the town from August 28, 1989 to December 31, 2012.
- Recognition of retirement of **Mike Maiden**, Superintendent for the Wolf Creek Wastewater Reclamation Facility and employee of the town from July 18, 1977 to December 31, 2012.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- November 5, 2012 Work Session Meeting
- November 5, 2012 Regular Meeting

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

F. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES

1. Request for Exemption to Subdivision Ordinance, Section 5.18, Private Streets and Reserve Strips – Private Streets and reserve strips of the Town’s Subdivision Ordinance reads, *“Unless otherwise provided herein or in the town zoning ordinance, there shall be no private streets platted in any subdivision. Every subdivided property shall be served from a publicly dedicated street constructed to standards of this code and accepted and maintained by the Town of Abingdon. There shall be no reserve strips controlling access to streets”*. Tax Map No. 11(4) 5 and pursuant to Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §15.2-2204. – **Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager**

G. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS

1. Consideration and award of bid for the first floor renovation project of the Town Municipal building – **Greg Kelly, Town Manager**

H. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Authorization of the Town Manager to proceed with the lease and/or financing of the purchase of two (2) 2006 trolleys from Olde South Trolleys/Kannapolis Charters– **Greg Kelly, Town Manager**
2. Update on the status of the Sinking Spring Cemetery Columbarium – **Greg Kelly, Town Manager**

I. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS – None

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Update on the status of the Virginia Copenhaver property located at 205 Preston Street, Abingdon as it relates to a request for improvements to the turning radius at the corner of Preston and Hagy Streets and the protection of the brick wall located on the corner of Mrs. Copenhaver’s property – **John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction (Council requested that this matter be placed on the December 3rd Regular meeting agenda for update)**
2. Update on the Country Club Stormwater Management Project – **Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and Jim Smith, Town Engineer**

3. Update on the Whites Mill Road/Court/Hill Drive project – *John Dew, Director Public Services and Construction*
4. Update on the feasibility study for the Sports Complex project – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
5. Update on the feasibility study for the Conference Center Hotel – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
6. Update on the Urban Pathways project – *Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager*
7. Update on the replacement of Trestle #7 on the Virginia Creeper Trail – *John Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction*
8. Update on the West End Interceptor Project – *Jim Smith, Town Engineer*

K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

L. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

N. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- December 1st- Kiwanis Christmas Parade- 11am- Main Street
- December 1st- Holston Mtn Artisans Open House- 10am-2pm
- December 1st- Christmas Cabin Tour- 1-4pm- Starts at 1pm at the Municipal Parking Lot- 276-623-8337
- December 6th- Town Christmas Tree Lighting at 6:30pm- Market Pavilion
- December 6th- Merchant Open House/First Thursday Event- 5-9pm
- December 10th- Community Christmas Program- Barter Theatre- 7pm- Tickets are \$15- 276-628-9999
- December 15th- Breakfast with Santa at Heartwood- 9am-11am- \$5- 276-492-2400
- December 24th & 25th- Offices Closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas
- December 31st and January 1st- Offices Closed for New Years Eve and New Years Day

- *Don't forget to visit the Fields Penn Museum during the month of December for the annual Festival of Trees and show your support for your favorite tree with a donated canned food item*

O. ADJOURNMENT