



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 5, 2014 – 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.

A. WELCOME – *Mayor Morgan*

B. ROLL CALL – *Cecile Rosenbaum, Town Clerk*

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *Tony Sullivan, Chief of Police*

D. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE – Council Members Cathy Lowe, Bob Howard, Rick Humphreys, and Jayne Duehring – *The Honorable Sage Johnson, Judge, Washington County Circuit Court*

E. SPECIAL EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS and INTRODUCTION OF NEW POLICE OFFICERS – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*

- Recognition of John Wolfe, Head Custodian, Harry Coomes Recreation Center for his twenty (20) years of service to the town
- Introduction of three (3) new Police Officers – *Tony Sullivan, Chief of Police*
 - Yancey Wilmoth
 - Kayla Richardson
 - Andrew Mehl

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- May 5, 2014 Work Session Meeting
- May 5, 2014 Regular Meeting

G. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

1. **First Reading – Public Hearing** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Appendix B-Zoning Ordinance, Article II, B-2, General Business District, of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia – ***Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager***

H. SECOND READINGS - None.

I. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES

1. **Second Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Article II, Chapter 66, Real Property Tax §66-42 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Amend the Property Tax Exemption for Property Owners Qualifying as Elderly and/or Totally and Permanently Handicapped – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
2. **Second Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Proposing a Budget for the Town of Abingdon, Virginia and to Make Appropriation for the Current Expenses of the Town and To Fix a Tax Rate Upon Real and Personal Property, to Fix All Other Local Tax Rates and Fees and Rates on Utility Services for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2014 and Ending June 30, 2015 – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

J. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS – None.

K. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of purchase of a 50KW generator for installation in the Police Department building – ***Floyd Bailey, Director of Information Technology***
2. Consideration of purchase of replacement of the Fire Alarm Panel Monitoring System for the Harry L. Coomes Recreation Center – ***Kevin Worley, Director of Parks/Recreation***

L. RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Certifying the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) Employer Contribution Rate and Authorizing the Town Manager and Town Treasurer to Carry Out the Provisions of the Resolution – ***Deborah Atkins-Vance, Director of Human Resources***

M. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. *Tourism Advisory Board*

- Appointment of Janet Woolwine who is eligible to serve a second term
- Appointment of representative to fill the restaurant representative as Doug Ellis is not eligible for reappointment to a second term

2. *Abingdon Redevelopment and Housing Authority Board*

- Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Mike Rush who has resigned his seat on the board (*Continued from May 5, 2014 Regular meeting*)

3. *Veterans Memorial Park Board*

- Appointment of Council member to serve on the Veterans Park Board

O. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

P. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 29th-Heartwood, Crooked Road Open Jam. 6:30-9:00 pm. 276-492-2400.
- May 29th- Thursday Jams Concert Series with The Duhks. Abingdon Market Pavilion. 7pm-9:30pm. FREE. 276-676-2282.
- June 5th- First Thursday, Abingdon
- June 5th- Thursday Jams featuring The Wood Brothers- 7-9:30pm- FREE- Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 6th *Welcome Back to Ivy Gap* Opening Performance – 8:00pm – Barter Theatre Main Stage
- June 7th- Father's Day "Make and Take" Craft Workshop- Heartwood- 276-492-2400
- June 10th Barter Theatre 81st Birthday Bash – 5:00pm – 7:30pm – The Tent
- June 12th- Thursday Jams featuring Marshall Ruffin- 7-9:30pm- FREE- Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 13th- Seafood Buffet- Heartwood- 276-492-2400
- June 14th- Hops and Howlers Brew Fest- 12-5pm- Remsburg Drive- www.hopsandhowlers.com
- June 14th- Soul Jams- 6-10pm- FREE- Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 14th *Hollywood Confidential* Opening Performance – 8:00pm – Barter Theatre Stage II
- June 19th- Thursday Jams featuring Hoots and Hellmouth- 7-9:30pm- FREE- Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 21st- Garden Tour

- June 26th - Thursday Jams featuring The Whiskey Gentry- 7-9:30pm- FREE- Abingdon Market Pavilion
- June 29th *A Facility for Living* Opening Performance – 7:00pm – Barter Theatre Stage II
- July 4th - Coomes Center 4th of July Celebration
- July 5th - Red, White and Beach Party

Q. ADJOURNMENT