



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2009 – 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. ROLL CALL**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- May 4, 2009 Work Session Meeting
- May 4, 2009 Regular Meeting

**D. SPECIAL EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- Recognition of Barbara “Bobbie” Moretz, Finance Department, for her fifteen (15) years of service to the Town of Abingdon.
- Recognition of Nathaniel Wolfe, Coomes Recreation Center, for his fifteen (15) years of service to the Town of Abingdon.

**E. PETITIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 1. Public Hearing** – Proposed acquisition of real property owned by Clifton-Stewart Rentals, LLC, Mac R. Clifton and Carol T. Clifton, located on Route 11, Lee Highway, Abingdon, Virginia containing 59.335 acres, more or less, (Tax Map No. #'s 086-A-7, 086-A-9, 086-A-18, 18A, 19, 20, 21 and 3.523 acre portion of Tax Map #086-A-6) for the purpose of developing and/or locating

thereon of business and industry and for any and all public uses, including but not limited to recreational facilities and sports related fields and complexes.

2. **Public Hearing** – Proposed Bond Issue to provide funds, together with other available funds, to finance the acquisition of the real property by the Town and cost of certain capital improvements to the visitor’s bureau, recreation center, and wireless network facilities of the Town and to refund certain obligations of the Town and to pay costs of issuing the bonds.
3. **Public Hearing** – Proposed Amendment – Application to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Article 26, Definitions of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance.

#### **F. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS - NONE**

#### **G. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

1. Authorization for opening of a public alley to be known as “Hill Alley”- *Jim Smith, Town Engineer*
2. Consideration of renaming of Highlands Street Park – *Kevin Worley, Director of Parks and Recreation*

#### **H. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Support the Issuance of a Certificate of Need To Abingdon Health Investors, LLC In Its Efforts To Locate A 120 – Bed Skilled Nursing Facility In Washington County, Virginia.
2. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Support and keep Southwest Virginia Beautiful in Raising Public Awareness of the Effects of Cigarette Litter and its Adverse Impact Upon Our Environment, Health, Economics and the Natural Beauty of Our Region.
3. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,150,000 and providing for the Form, Details, and payment thereof and the refunds of certain prior bonds and authorizing certain related actions.

**I. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

1. An Ordinance of the Council of Abingdon, Virginia to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Appendix B, Zoning Ordinance, Article 26 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, to Define Terminology and Ascribe Meanings to Certain Language Used Customarily in the Interpretation and Application of the Town Zoning Ordinances (*Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney/Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning*)

**J. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES**

1. An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia proposing a budget for the Town of Abingdon, Virginia and to make Appropriations for the Current Expenses of the Town and to Fix a 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, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.
2. An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon to Amend Chapter 66, Subsections 66-1, 66-2 And 66-43 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, to Establish Semi-Annual Collection of Local Taxes and to Amend the Due Dates for Collection of Real Property Taxes and Personal Property Taxes (*Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney*)

**K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**L. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**N. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Appointment to the Sinking Springs Cemetery Committee

- One (1) appointment to the Sinking Springs Cemetery Committee to serve a one (1) year term.
- Three (3) re-appointments to the Sinking Springs Cemetery Committee
  - Jack Frost, Frost Funeral Home – 2 year term and eligible for reappointment
  - Francine Ivery – 2 year term and eligible for reappointment
  - Ed Morgan – 2 year term and eligible for reappointment

2. Appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals

- One (1) appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals to serve a three (3) year term.

*Closed Session –*

- ***Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) for discussion and consideration of appointment to the Sinking Springs Cemetery Committee and the Board of Zoning Appeals.***

**O. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 6/5/09- Luau at the Coomes Center
- 6/11/09- Operation Silent Hero Blood Drive – Abingdon Police Department
- 6/12/09- Dinner at the Abingdon Senior Center
- 6/13/09- Abingdon Historic Garden Tour
- 6/13/09- Movies at the Market (Stardust)
- 6/20/09- Car Show on Main Street
- 6/27/09- Blues Festival at Latture Field (Gates Open at 3:30)
- 7/4/09 – 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration featuring *Parrots of the Caribbean* and fireworks display at the Coomes Recreation Center
- 7/6/09 – July Council Meeting

**P. ADJOURNMENT**