



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011 – 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

- February 7, 2011 Work Session Meeting
- February 7, 2011 Regular Meeting

D. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Recognition of John B. Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction for his five (5) years of service to the Town of Abingdon – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

E. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

1. **Public Hearing – Right of Way Vacation** - In accordance with the Code of Virginia, §15.2-2006 to receive comments from the public regarding the petition of Janet Woolwine, et al for the vacation of a north-south unopened right of way with terminus points on Park Street and Railroad Street,

approximately 125 feet west of Pecan Street involving property being Tax Map Nos. 013-1-120F;013-1-120E;013-1-120B;013-1-120C; and 013-1-120D. – ***John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***

- a. Appointment of Board of Viewers
2. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – Application to Repeal, Amend and Reenact the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, Article 3, Section 3-1-16, Permitted Uses by Right, to add Churches within the AFOS Agricultural, Forestal, and Open Spaces District. Application by request submitted by Shady Grove Pentecostal Holiness Church located on Shady Street. Tax Map No. 84C2(1)45 - ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning***
3. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Article II, Chapter 54, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, §54-26 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to amend the membership composition of the Commission – ***Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney***
4. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Repeal, Amend and Reenact Article II, Chapter 26, Tourism Advisory Committee, §26-26 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon to amend the membership composition of the Commission - ***Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney***

F. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES – None.

G. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS – None.

H. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of Wolf Hills Project through Community Performance International – ***Mary Anne Holbrook, Director of Development, Barter Theatre***



2. Consideration of economic incentives to locate Wire Tough Cylinders in the Town of Abingdon – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
3. Consideration of authorization of Town Manager to execute the memorandum of agreement between King College, the Town of Abingdon, Virginia and Washington County, Virginia - ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

I. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS – None.

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

L. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

M. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. ***Appointment to the Board of Architectural Review***
 - Appointment to fill the expired term of Doris Shuman who is ***not*** eligible for reappointment.
2. Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the consideration and discussion of an appointment to the Board of Architectural Review.
3. Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3) for the consideration and discussion of the acquisition or disposition of publicly held property.

N. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- March 17th- St. Patrick's Day- Wear Green!
- March 18th-20th- Race Weekend
- March 19th- Farmers Market Open- Limited number of Vendors- 10am-12pm
- March 26th- 2nd Annual Spring Mix Cooking Expo- Coomes Center- 10am-1pm
- March 27th- 13th Annual Virginia Creeper Marathon- 8am
- April 4th – Regular Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- April 7th- Historical Society Dinner at the Martha Washington Inn- 6-9pm

O. ADJOURNMENT