



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 2, 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

- March 22, 2011 Budget Work Session Meeting
- April 4, 2011 Work Session Meeting
- April 4, 2011 Regular Meeting
- April 11, 2011 Budget Work Session Meeting
- April 12, 2011 Budget Work Session Meeting
- April 20, 2011 Work Session Meeting

D. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Recognition of Patsy Owens, Secretary/Administrative Assistant with the Departments of Planning and Public Works for her thirty (30) years of service to the Town of Abingdon.
- Recognition of James Carey, Environmental Technician with Wolf Creek Water Reclamation Facility for his twenty (20) years of service to the Town of Abingdon.

E. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

1. **Public Hearing –First Reading** - An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to repeal, amend and reenact Article II, Sewers and Sewage Disposal, Subdivision IV, Enforcement, Section 74-198, Administrative Penalties of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
2. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to repeal, amend and reenact Article II, Chapter 66, Real Property Tax, §66-45 of the Code of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to amend the property tax exemption for disabled veterans - ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
3. **Public Hearing – First 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 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, 2011 and Ending June 30, 2012.

F. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES – None.

G. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS – None.

H. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Consideration of proposals submitted for Audit Services for the Town of Abingdon, Virginia – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
2. Consideration of amendments to by-laws for the Fairview at Abingdon Board – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
3. Consideration of establishment of policies and procedures for use of social media outlets by the Town of Abingdon – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***

I. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution with regard to funding of positions for the Abingdon Fire Department – *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney*
2. Resolution with regard to changes in rates for County residents at the Coomes Recreation Center - *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney*

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Consideration of scheduling of meeting of the town's Historic Properties Committee – *Cathy C. Lowe, Vice Mayor (continued from the regular April 4, 2011 Council meeting)*

K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

L. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

M. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. *Appointments to the Fairview at Abingdon Board*
 - Appointments of James Hagy and Tom Peterson to the Fairview at Abingdon Board.
2. *Appointments to the Recreation Advisory Commission*
 - Additional appointments to the Recreation Advisory Commission since adoption of the Ordinance increasing the membership composition of the Commission.
3. *Appointments to the Tourism Advisory Committee*
 - Additional appointments to the Tourism Advisory Committee since adoption of the Ordinance increasing the membership composition of the Commission.

4. Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the consideration and discussion of an appointments to the Fairview at Abingdon Board, the Recreation Advisory Commission and the Tourism Advisory Committee.
5. 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.
6. Closed Session pursuant to the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711 (A)(5) for the consideration and discussion concerning a perspective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the businesses' or industries' locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

N. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 13th-15th- Damascus Trail Days
- May 14th- Art In The Yard 9am-1pm- Fields Penn House
- May 14th-19th- National Trails Conference
- May 28th- Plumb Alley Day- 9am-3pm
- May 28th- Memorial Day Concert- 6-9pm at Market Pavilion- *The Return*
- May 30th- Memorial Day- Town Offices Closed
- June 4th - The Iron Nut- Sprint Triathlon at the Coomes Center begins at 8am
- June 6th – Council Meeting

O. ADJOURNMENT