

# TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 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 Rick Humphreys, Council Member
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - September 2, 2014 Work Session Meeting
  - September 2, 2014 Regular Meeting
  - September 29, 2014 Emergency Called Meeting

# E. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 1. **Public Hearing** Pursuant to requirements under Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §15.2-5104 for the purpose of approving a special use permit pursuant to Zoning Ordinance, Article 11, B-2 General Business District, Section 11-2-3, Special Uses to operate a kennel, animal boarding and grooming *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney*
- 2. Public Hearing Pursuant to requirements under the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §15.2-951 for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding the proposed authorization of the Town Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of a 2014 Pierce PUC Pumper Truck for the Abingdon Fire Department through Republic First National Corporation Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and John McCormick, Fire Chief

- a. Consideration of authorization of the Town Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of a 2014 Pierce PUC Pumper Truck for the Abingdon Fire Department through Republic First National Corporation *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and John McCormick, Fire Chief*
- b. Consideration of authorization of the Town Manager to enter into an Agreement with Washington County, Virginia for the purchase of a fire suppression vehicle *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and John McCormick, Fire Chief*
- 3. **First Reading** Consideration of Petition for Right of Way Vacation request for the eastwest unopened right-of-way (approximately 250 feet long and 15 feet wide) between Campbell Street and Fulkerson Street, bound by parcels 017-11-33 and 017-11-35 on the north and Parcels 017-1-29 and 017-1-29A to the south *John Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction*
- F. SECOND READINGS None.
- G. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES None.
- H. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS None

#### I. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

- 1. Presentation relative to Panicello Memorial Trail *Denise Peterson*, *Learning Landscapes Manager*, *ASD*
- 2. Consideration of funding request for the Washington County Business Plan Competition Susan Howard, Executive Director, Abingdon Main Street
- 3. Consideration of Bank of America Refund Payment Agreement relative to bank franchise taxes paid to the Town of Abingdon *Greg Kelly, Town Manager*
- J. RESOLUTIONS None
- K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

#### L. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

# 1. Historic Preservation Review Board (aka BAR)

• Appointment to fill the expired term of Byrum Geisler who is not eligible to serve again

# 2. Abingdon Tree Commission

• Appointment to fill the expired term of Monty Vernon who is not eligible to serve again

# 3. Sinking Spring Cemetery

• Reappointment of James Hagy who is eligible to serve a second term

# 4. Sustain Abingdon Committee

- Appointment of one member from town staff to fill the expired term of Tenille Montgomery who is not eligible to serve again
- Appointment of one member to fill the expired term of Tom McMullen (resident) who is not eligible to serve again

#### M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

#### N. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- October 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>- American Craft Week
- October 10<sup>th</sup>- Tent Jams at Barter Theatre Square. The Iguanas. 276-628-3991.
- October 11<sup>th</sup>- American Chestnut Celebration. 276-944-4631
- October 11<sup>th</sup>- Tent Jams at Barter Theatre Square. Plena Libre. 276-628-3991
- October 13<sup>th</sup>- Columbus Day- Offices Closed
- October 31<sup>st</sup>- Halloween
- November 1<sup>st</sup>- Folk Soul Revival and Annabelle's Curse at Higher Ed Center. 276-619-4317
- November 1<sup>st</sup>- Happy Trails 5K on the VA Creeper Trail. 423-967-4892

#### O. ADJOURNMENT