



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 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 and NATIONAL ANTHEM - *(Sung by Jason Dreyzehner, Adam Gambrel, Gretchen Gross and Tess McNerlin)*

C. SPECIAL STUDENT RECOGNITION – Recognition of student members of the E.B. Stanley and Abingdon High School Technology Student Association – *Charlene Gross, Student Sponsor*

<i>E.B. Stanley TSA members</i>	<i>Abingdon High TSA Members</i>
Christina Compton	Jason Dreyzehner
Erin Sullivan	Macie Frazier
Will Harless	Adam Gambrel
Alexander Smith	Alissa Gembach
Garrett Landon	Kurtis Gross
	Gretchen Gross
	Eric Johnston
	Eileen McClanahan
	Tess McNerlin
	Luke Quigley
	Najwa Watson

D. SPECIAL CITIZEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – Consideration of A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Congratulating, Honoring and Publicly Recognizing Abingdon Resident Justice Elizabeth A. McClanahan on her Appointment to the Supreme Court of Virginia.

E. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Recognition of Anne Newman, Horticulturist for her ten (10) years of service to the Town of Abingdon – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- August 1, 2011 Work Session Agenda
- August 1, 2011 Regular Agenda

G. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

1. **Public Hearing** – Consideration and approval of Mount Rogers Planning District Commission, the Cumberland Plateau and the LENOWISCO Planning District Regional Water Supply Plan – ***Chris Gilley, Regional Planner with MRPDC***
 - a. Consideration of Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Approving the Cumberland Plateau and the LENOWISCO Planning District Regional Water Supply Plan

H. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES – None.

I. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS – None.

J. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Presentation by the Virginia Creeper Trail Club – ***Wayne Miller, President***

2. Consideration and approval of the design for the Arthur Campbell Award – ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning, Cathy Lowe, Vice Mayor and Rick Humphreys, Campbell Award Committee Members***
3. Consideration of establishment of Fields Penn Property Oversight Committee – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney***
4. Consideration of scheduling regular October Council meeting to Thursday, October 6, 2011 due to Council and town staff attendance at annual VML conference – ***Cecile Rosenbaum, Town Clerk***

K. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS –

1. Consideration of Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Honor and Commend the Abingdon Masonic Lodge, No. 48, A.F. & A.M. of the Commonwealth of Virginia on the Occasion of their 215th Anniversary – ***Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning and Lodge Member***
2. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Supporting a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development's 2012 Industrial Revitalization Fund – ***Jim Cowart, Director of Economic Development and Grants***
3. Consideration of a Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Supporting the Installation of Two Civil War Trail Signs Awarded to the Town by the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission and the Virginia Tourism Corporation – ***Jim Cowart, Director of Economic Development and Grants***

L. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

M. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

N. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

O. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. *Appointments to the Tree Commission*

- Consideration of the following individuals whose terms are expiring but *who are eligible for reappointment for additional three (3) year terms*
 - Monty Vernon
 - Bob Howard

2. *Appointment to the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator Board*

- Consideration of appointment to replace Carl Mallory who has resigned from the Board

3. *Industrial Development Authority Board*

- Consideration of appointment of John Mahaffey who is eligible for another term

4. *Recreation Advisory Committee*

- Consideration of Eric Thiessen who is eligible for another term

5. *Muster Grounds Steering Committee*

- Consideration of the following individuals whose terms expired in August 2011 (*Please see attached memorandum from Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning and committee member*)
 - Rick Humphreys
 - Blair Keller
 - Joella Barbour
 - Riley Clark

6. 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 Tree Commission, the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator, the Industrial Development Authority Board, the Recreation Advisory Committee, and the Muster Grounds Steering Committee.

P. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- September 5th – Town offices closed for Labor Day Holiday
- September 6th – Regular Council meeting
- Sept 10th- Red, White and Bluegrass at the Market Pavilion from 5:30pm-9:30pm
- September 16, 17 and 18th- Rhythm and Roots Reunion in Bristol
- September 21st-24th- Call to Arms Celebration @ Muster Grounds
- Sept 24th- Music at the Market- Holy Ghost Tent Revival and New Familiars from 6-9pm

Q. ADJOURNMENT