

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021 – 6:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A regular meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building.

- A. WELCOME – *Mayor Webb***
- B. ROLL CALL**

Members of Council Present:

Mike Owens
James Anderson
Amanda Pillion
Donna Quetsch, Vice Mayor
Derek Webb, Mayor

- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (VIDEO 3:29 – 3:56)**

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Pillion, approved the agenda as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

- E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (VIDEO 3:56 – 14:32)**

- Emmitt Yeary
- John Bradley
- R. L. Saunders

- F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (VIDEO 14:35 – 15:04)**

- March 1, 2021 minutes
- March 16, 2021 mid-month meeting

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Owens, approved the March 1, 2021 minutes and the March 16, 2021 mid-month minutes as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

G. PROCLAMATIONS (VIDEO 15:06 – 27:02)

Mr. Anderson read into record Proclamation on the occasion to honor and recognize the Abingdon High School Boys Basketball Team 2021 Class 3 State Runner-Up. Mayor Webb and Council presented the players and coaches with a framed Proclamation and Town pins.

H. PETITION(S) AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing** – Application for a special use permit, pursuant to Section 17-3.- Special use permits and Article 11.-B-2 General Business District, Section 11-2-4 of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, to allow a short-term rental to be located at 313 Tanner Street, Tax Map No. 013-1-86. – *Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development (VIDEO 27:42 – 29:36)*

Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development, presented a special use permit submitted by Blake Baker requesting short-term rental to be located at 313 Tanner Street. Mr. Boswell stated that the Planning Commission voted unanimously to approve the special use permit.

Mayor Webb declared the public hearing open for comment. Hearing no comments, Mayor Webb closed the public hearing.

2. **Public Hearing** – Amendment to Part II – Code, Chapter 14 – Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III. – Spot Blight Abatement, Section 14 – 56(2), pursuant to Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Sections 15.2-1425, 15.2-1429, and 36-49.1:1. – *Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development (VIDEO 29:38 – 33:25)*

Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development, advised Council that the administrative fee of \$100 was previously discussed and agreed upon and the proposed ordinance reflects that change. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Webb declared the public hearing open for comment. Hearing no comments, Mayor Webb closed the public hearing.

3. **Public Hearing** – Application for a special use permit, pursuant to Section 15-9 Utilization of the flood hazard district of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, proposed development in the flood hazard district, currently zoned B-1, Limited Business District, located on a vacant parcel situated on Park Street, Tax Map #

013-1-120F1. – **Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development (VIDEO 33:26 – 40:16)**

Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development, presented a special use permit submitted by Dave Dalton pursuant to Section 15-9, utilization of the flood hazard district of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance, for a proposed development zoned B-1, Limited Business District, located on his vacant parcel situated on Park Street. Mr. Boswell further stated that Mr. Dalton has proposed to move the central structure of the Hiram Dooley house, presently located at 123 Pecan Street with the placement resulting in a rise of 0.15 feet and recommended that all materials which would be damaged by flood waters be placed at an elevation higher than 2040.74 and a waterproof or flow-vent type foundation be utilized.

Mayor Webb declared the public hearing open for comment. Council heard comments from Jeff Johnson and Dave Dalton.

Mayor Webb thanked Mr. Dalton for his interest and for being a part of the solution and not the problem. Cameron Bell, Counsel stated that there is a significant interest from the community.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Webb closed the public hearing.

I. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution approving special use permit, pursuant to Section 17-3.-Special use permits and Article 11.-B-2 General Business District, Section 11-2-4 of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, to allow a short-term rental to be located at 313 Tanner Street, Tax Map No. 013-1-86. – **Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development (VIDEO 40:22 – 41:19)**

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, allowed the special use permit for short-term rental located at 313 Tanner Street.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

2. Resolution approving a special use permit, pursuant to Section 15-9 Utilization of the flood hazard district of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, proposed development in the flood hazard district, currently zoned B-1, Limited Business

District, located on a vacant parcel situated on Park Street, Abingdon, VA 24210, Tax Map # 013-1-120F1. – *Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development* (VIDEO 41:22 – 42:37)

On motion of Mr. Owens, seconded by Mr. Anderson, allowed the special use permit as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES (VIDEO 42:38 – 43:34)

1. Proposed amendment to Part II – Code, Chapter 14 – Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III. – Spot Blight Abatement, Section 14 – 56(2), pursuant to Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Sections 15.2-1425, 15.2-1429, and 36-49.1:1. – *Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development*

Mayor Webb questioned shall the proposal be rejected. Hearing no comments, Mayor Webb stated that the ordinance will move to the second reading.

K. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

L. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

M. NEW BUSINESS

N. OLD BUSINESS

O. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN MANAGER (VIDEO 43:45 – 44:50)

Town Manager Morani advised Council that the draft budget would be presented at the April 22, 2021 mid-month meeting.

P. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Q. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES - (VIDEO 45:00 – 47:10)

On motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, reappointed Neta Farmer to the Tourism Advisory Committee; Christopher Menerick to the Sinking Spring Cemetery Committee; and Greg Meade to the Tree Commission.

The roll call vote was as follows:

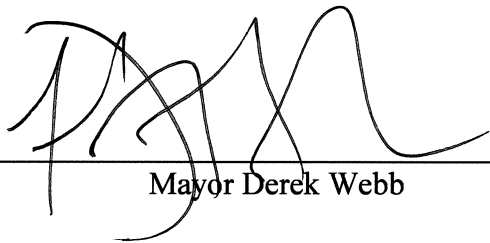
Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

On motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, appointed Joel Taylor to the Sustain Abingdon Committee to fill unexpired term of Anita Manuel.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Owens	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mayor Webb	Aye

Mayor Webb declared the meeting adjourned.



Mayor Derek Webb



Kimberly Kingsley, Clerk

