

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
MID-MONTH MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021 – 2:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A mid-month meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 2:30 pm in the Council Chambers 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 – *Council Member James Anderson*

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – *Mayor Webb (VIDEO)*

On motion of Mrs. Pillion, seconded by Mr. Anderson, accepted the agenda as drafted.

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 – Please place your name on the sign-up sheet provided and comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person. (VIDEO 7:03 – 7:36)

- None

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS - Please place your name on the sign-up sheet provided and comments are limited to five (5) minutes per person.

G. PROCLAMATIONS

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request by Clifton-Stewart Rentals, LLC for proposed zoning map amendment to rezone Tax Map ID 104A-3-1, parcel consisting of 0.65 acres more or less located at 430 Porterfield Highway, Abingdon VA, from M-1 Limited Industrial District to B-2 General Business District; Tax Map ID 104A-3-2, parcel consisting of 4.24 acres more or less located at 555 Porterfield Highway, Abingdon, VA, from M-1 Limited Industrial District to B-2 General Business District; and Tax Map ID 104A-3-3, parcel consisting of 1.19 acres more or less located at 520 Porterfield Highway, Abingdon, VA, from M-1 Limited Industrial District to B-2 General Business District. – *Mayana Rice, Director of Community Development (VIDEO 7:50 – 19:52)*

Ms. Rice provided Council with an update regarding a request from Clifton-Stewart Rentals, LLC to rezone three adjacent parcels on Porterfield Highway from M-1 Limited Industrial District to B-2 General Business District. Ms. Rice advised that the map presented was inaccurate and that the 555 depicted is actually on Russell Road; but clarified that there is actually a 555 on Porterfield Highway. Ms. Rice suggested that the tax parcel identification numbers be used for future discussion. Ms. Rice conveyed that pursuant Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, the Planning Commission approved. Discussion ensued. This matter is scheduled for public hearing on November 1, 2021.

I. RESOLUTIONS

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

L. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN MANAGER (VIDEO 20:05 – 31:13)

1. Discussion regarding Memorandum of Understanding between Enhance Abingdon Foundation, Inc. and Town of Abingdon, Virginia. – *James Morani, Town Manager*

Mr. Morani stated that the Enhance Abingdon Foundation was formed to provide fundraising for Town owned properties. Mr. Morani stated that a Board of Trustees, include Town residents, two County residents, and a Town employee at a director level. Discussion ensued. It was decided that the bylaws would be forwarded to Council, the Town Attorney would review, and revisit at the November mid-month meeting.

(VIDEO 31:13 – 35:09) Mr. Morani reminded Council of the public information meeting regarding the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area at 5:00 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room.

Mr. Morani advised Council of the required training associated with the Conflict of Interest training and advised that information will be forthcoming.

Mr. Morani reminded Council that the Capital Improvement Plan would be revisited and that he would coordinate a date with Stephanie Davis.

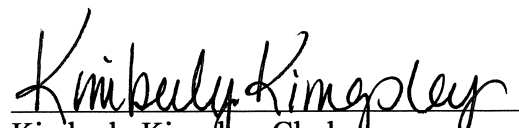
Mr. Morani reported that Stephanie Davis will be presenting information on the compensation study at the November 1, 2021 meeting.

M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS (VIDEO 35:08 – 38:40)

Mrs. Quetsch recommended that future mid-month meeting (aka work session) be held in the Arthur Campbell Room on the first floor of the Town Municipal Building in an effort to encourage open discussion. Discussion ensued and it was agreed that the mid-month meetings would be held in the Arthur Campbell Room beginning in November 2021. Mayor Webb requested the Clerk to post proper notice.

N. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Webb declared the meeting adjourned.



Kimberly Kingsley, Clerk



Mayor Derek Webb