

**TOWN OF ABINGDON  
COUNCIL MID-MONTH MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022 – 2:30 pm  
ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

The mid-month meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at 2:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room of the Municipal Building.

**A. WELCOME – *Mayor Webb***

**B. ROLL CALL**

Members of Council Present:	Dwyane Anderson Donna Quetsch, Vice Mayor Derek Webb, Mayor
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Members of Council Absent:	Mike Owens Amanda Pillion
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**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (VIDEO 5:23 - )**

Mayor Webb requested the agenda be amended to hear Item K- 2 after Public Comments as Mrs. Rice was involved in the Abingdon Historic Preservation Day.

**On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Anderson, amended the agenda to hear Item K-1 pertaining to Doug’s Super Wash after the public comments and approved as amended.**

**The roll call vote was as follows:**

<b>Mr. Anderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Owens</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Mrs. Pillion</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Mrs. Quetsch</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Webb</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

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

**G. RESOLUTIONS**

**H. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

**I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES**

**J. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS**

**K. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Abingdon Farmers Market update – *David McLeish, Market Manager* (VIDEO 51:02 – 53:57)

Market Manager David McLeish provided Council with an update regarding the Healthy Kids, Eat Smart – Move More program. He stated that 388 kids received \$10 to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables weekly from July 5<sup>th</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. McLeish also advised that approximately 1,300 to 1,500 customers shop at the Market on Saturdays.

2. Doug’s Super Wash (Per Section 18-7-10). Appeal to the Town Council regarding a decision made by the Planning Commission (June 27, 2022) to not allow the exterior painting of Doug’s Super Wash to be Benjamin Moore “Red” 2000-10 as it does not comply with the Entrance Corridor standards outline in Section 18-9-11(d) Design review guidelines (8) Façade colors – *Mayana Rice, Director of Community Development* (VIDEO 6:18 – 50:47)

Mrs. Rice advised in February 2022, Turnhart Acquisition Corporation (Owner) and Jeremy Fields with Appalachia Design Services (Representative) requested the approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a new commercial carwash located at 140 Cook Street. After the presentation, the Planning Commission approved the original drawings with the façade identified as brick, glass and painted red accent trim.

The subject property is within the Meadows Planned Unit Development, with the requirement for approval of an entrance corridor Certificate of Appropriateness, as well as the additional standards identified in the covenant, such as Minimum Design Requirements. In addition, the Entrance Corridor Guidelines required “façade colors preferably shall be of low reflectance white, earth tone, muted, subtle, or neutral colors. Building trim may feature brighter colors as an accent material. The use of high-intensity, metallic, fluorescent, day glow, or neon colors are discouraged.”

The applicants appeared before the Planning Commission again on May 23, 2022, providing a fiber cement board they wished to utilize as a façade and a request to use “Classic Red” paint. The Commission voted unanimously to reject the fiber cement and the Classic Red.

The applicants returned in June 2022 with submitted an alternative red sample and requested the brick on the structure be permitted to be fully painted Benjamin Moore “red” 2000-10. The Planning Commission indicated they disagreed with the red, did not think it met the design Entrance Corridor guidelines and stood by their original Certificate of Appropriateness.

The Council heard presentations from Dennis Jones, Esq. and Jeremy Fields with Appalachia Design Services. Discussion ensued.

**On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, denied the applicant's color and suggested applicant present the new plan to the Planning Commission.**

**The roll call vote was as follows:**

<b>Mr. Anderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Owens</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Mrs. Pillion</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Mrs. Quetsch</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Webb</b>	<b>Aye</b>

3. Appointment of Laura Dowell, to replace Katie Garrett as Freedom of Information Officer – *Mike Cochran, Town Manager* (VIDEO 53:57 – 55:08)

Town Manager Mike Cochran introduced Laura Dowell as the new Freedom of Information Officer. Mrs. Dowell will be working with Counsel Cameron Bell on any requests.

**L. OLD BUSINESS**

**M. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM TOWN MANAGER (VIDEO 55:16 – d1:11:31)**

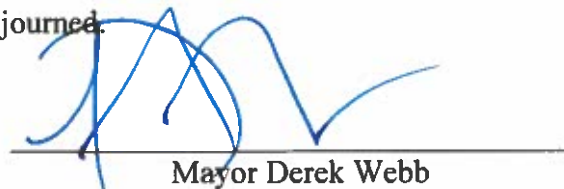
Town Manager Mike Cochran announced the Town Arborist received a report regarding the Ash tree at the Abingdon Visitors Center. Mr. Sigmon presented information from the tree risk assessment report conducted by Bartlett Tree Experts. Bartlett Tree Experts strongly recommended the removal of the tree based on the overall assessment. Mr. Sigmon advised that the Tree Commission voted to have the tree removed and replaced this fall with a sizable Oak or Maple.

**N. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**O. CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Webb declared the meeting adjourned.

  
Kimberly Kingsley, Clerk

  
Mayor Derek Webb