# TOWN OF ABINGDON ORGANIZATIONAL/REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023 – 6:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

An Organizational/Regular Council meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building.

A. WELCOME and ROLL CALL - Kimberly Kingsley, Clerk

Members of Council Present:

Wayne Austin
Dwyane Anderson
Amanda Pillion
Donna Quetsch
Derek Webb

- **B.** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Town Manager Mike Cochran led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. PRAYER
- D. ELECTION OF MAYOR Kim Kingsley, Clerk declared the floor open for nomination for the position of Mayor. (VIDEO 8:14 9:23)

On nomination by Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Anderson, Amanda Pillion was nominated to serve as the Mayor of the Council. Hearing no further nominations for Mayor, the Clerk declared the floor closed.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

At this time, the Clerk turned the meeting over to Mayor Pillion.

E. ELECTION OF VICE MAYOR – Mayor Pillion declared the floor open for nomination for the position of Vice Mayor. (VIDEO 9:24 – 10:05)

On nomination by Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Austin, Dwyane Anderson was nominated to serve as the Vice Mayor of the Council. Hearing no further nominations for Vice Mayor, Mayor Pillion declared the floor closed.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# F. Appointment of Town Manager (VIDEO 10:05 – 10:30)

On nomination by Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Webb, appointed Mike Cochran as Town Manager.

## The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# G. Appointment of Town Treasurer (VIDEO 10:31 - )

On nomination by Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Anderson, appointed Tammy Baldwin as Town Treasurer.

# The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# H. Appointment of Town Clerk (VIDEO)

On nomination by Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Webb, appointed Kim Kingsley as Town Clerk.

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# I. Appointment of Town Attorney (VIDEO

On nomination by Mr. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, appointed Cameron Bell as Town Attorney.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

- J. Appointment of one member of Council to the following boards, commissions and committees: (VIDEO)
  - 1. Abingdon Planning Commission

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, appointed Wayne Austin to the Abingdon Planning Commission.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

#### 2. Historic Preservation Review Board

On motion of Mrs. Pillion, seconded by Mr. Webb, appointed Dwyane Anderson to the Historic Preservation Review Board.

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

#### 3. Tree Commission

On motion of Mayor Pillion, seconded by Mr. Webb, appointed Dwyane Anderson to the Tree Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# 4. Sinking Spring Cemetery Committee

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Quetsch, appointed Wayne Austin to the Sinking Spring Cemetery Committee.

### The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 5. Mount Rogers Planning District Commission

On motion of Mrs. Pillion, seconded by Mr. Webb, reappointed Donna Quetsch to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 6. District Three Governmental Cooperative

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Austin, appointed Dwyane Anderson to the District Three Governmental Cooperative.

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 7. Tourism Advisory Commission

On motion of Mayor Pillion, seconded by Mr. Webb, appointed Dwyane Anderson to the Tourism Advisory Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 8. Recreation Advisory Commission

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Austin, appointed Derek Webb to the Recreation Advisory Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 9. Infrastructure Advisory Commission

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mayor Pillion, appointed Donna Quetsch to the Infrastructure Advisory Commission.

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Ave

## 10. Finance Committee

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Anderson, appointed Donna Quetsch and Mayor Pillion to the Infrastructure Advisory Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# 11. Abingdon Arts Commission

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Anderson, appointed Mayor Pillion to the Abingdon Arts Commission.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## 12. Veterans Advisory Board

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Anderson, appointed Mayor Pillion to the Veterans Advisory Board.

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

# REGULAR MEETING

## A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (VIDEO)

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Webb, Council approved agenda as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

- **B. PUBLIC COMMENTS None**
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (VIDEO)
  - December 5, 2022

On motion of Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Anderson, approved the December 5, 2022 minutes as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Austin	Abstained	
(not a Councilmember on December 5, 2022		
Mr. Anderson	Aye	
Mayor Pillion	Aye	
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye	
Mr. Webb	Aye	

- D. PROCLAMATIONS
- E. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- F. RESOLUTIONS
  - 1. Resolution approving the subdivision of Final Plat for Towne Center of Abingdon, 396 Towne Center Drive, Tax Map Number 20-12-5

Assistant Town Manager and Director of Community Development Mayana Rice said there would be no visual differences in the parking access or easements between the two properties, with no additional construction. Mrs. Rice advised that installation of a fire rated wall was initiated with the subdivision and acknowledgment that the Cook Street extension will go along the K-Mart building's North elevation, pending grant funds being awarded through SMART Scale. Mrs. Rice stated that the Planning Commission approved the final plat.

On motion of Mrs. Quetsch, seconded by Mr. Anderson, approved the Resolution as proposed.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

## G. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

## H. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

1. Consideration of proposed comprehensive updates to the Town's Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. (VIDEO)

On motion of Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Webb, approved the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance as presented.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

- I. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS
- J. NEW BUSINESS
- K. OLD BUSINESS
- L. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATION FROM TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Mike Cochran thanked the Public Works department for prepping the roads, and the Abingdon Police Department and Fire Department during the recent extreme cold.

#### M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS (VIDEO

Mrs. Quetsch congratulated Mayor Pillion and Vice Mayor Anderson. Mr. Webb concurred with Mrs. Quetsch's congratulations.

#### N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES (VIDEO)

- Sustain Abingdon
  - Reappointment of Laura Pennington, who is eligible to serve an additional term
  - Appointment to fill expired term of Ricky Bray

- Appointment to fill unexpired term of Sydney deBriel
- Economic Development Authority
  - Reappointment of Don Adams, who is eligible to serve an additional term
- Tree Commission
  - Reappointment of Muhammad Hasham, who is eligible to serve an additional term

On motion of Mr. Webb, second by Mr. Anderson, reappointed Laura Pennington to Sustain Abingdon; Don Adams to Economic Development Authority, and Muhammad Hasham to Tree Commission for additional terms.

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

Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Anderson	Aye
Mrs. Pillion	Aye
Mrs. Quetsch	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

Mayor Pillion declared the meeting adjourned.

Mayor Amanda Pillion