



# TOWN OF HAYMARKET TOWN COUNCIL

## REGULAR MEETING ~ MINUTES ~

David Leake, Mayor  
<http://www.townofhaymarket.org/>

15000 Washington St  
Haymarket, VA 20169

Monday, April 6, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Haymarket, VA, was held this evening in the Board Room, Commencing at 7:00 PM

Mayor David Leake called the meeting to order.

### 1. Call to Order

Councilwoman Pam Swinford: Present, Councilman Matt Caudle: Present, Councilman Chris Morris: Present, Councilman Kurt Woods: Present, Councilman Joe Pasanello: Present, Vice Mayor Steve Aitken: Absent, Mayor David Leake: Present.

### 2. Invocation - Dr. Charles Stewart

Dr. Charles Stewart, Haymarket Baptist Church, offers the invocation this evening

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

### 4. Citizen's Time

#### Dottie Leonard - 14801 Washington Street

*Our historic overlay is giving the Town the power to stand up to Dominion VA Power. The Historic overlay was in jeopardy last year and she is pleased this Council put a stop to the reduction of the overlay. She is concerned about trouble on the Planning Commission. As a preservationist, the homes at Harrover are not significant and they should come down.*

#### John Dominic - Dominion Valley

*He appreciates the meeting starting out in prayer. He is the Vice President of Willing Warriors. They are renovating a facility on Waterfall Road for a retreat for wounded veterans. There is a 5K run and walk on April 18 in Dominion Valley; they would appreciate any support the Council can give.*

#### Chuck Carnahan - Hunting Path Road

*He was glad to participate in the Harrover stakeholders meeting. He has reviewed the proposed budget. He thinks its a problem that all the costs of the properties are lumped together in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget. He is also concerned how much is proposed to be spent on the Town owned properties in FY 2016.*

### 5. Consent Agenda

Move to adopt the consent agenda, as presented

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Joe Pasanello, Councilman                  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Matt Caudle, Councilman                    |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Steve Aitken                               |

#### A. Minutes Acceptance

- i. Mayor and Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 2, 2015 7:00 PM
- ii. Committee - Public Facilities - Committee - Mar 16, 2015 4:00 PM
- iii. Committee - Finance - Committee - Mar 19, 2015 2:30 PM
- iv. Committee - Public Safety - Committee - Mar 20, 2015 8:30 AM

#### B. Budget

- i. Budget Amendment - Sherrie Wilson

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**C. Department Reports**

- i. Building Official's Report - Joe Barbeau, Jr.
  - ii. Town Engineer's Report - Holly Montague
  - iii. Police Report - Greg Smith, Interim Chief of Police
  - iv. Town Planner's Report - Marchant Schneider
  - v. Main Street Coordinator's Report
  - vi. Treasurer's Report - Sherrie Wilson
  - vii. Town Manager's Report - Brian Henshaw
- D. Treasurer Appointment**

**6. Appointments**

Mayor Leake asks Ms. Loconti to address Council. She briefs the Council that she was raised in Prince William County. She has been very interested in getting involved with the Town and feels the Board of Zoning Appeals is a great way to begin.

Mayor Leake asks Mr. Ring to address Council. He feels he represents experience and consistency and that he has the technical knowledge to serve this position well.

**A. Board of Zoning Appeals - Appointments**

Move to authorize the Town Attorney to recommend to the Circuit Court of Prince William County the appointment of Ralph Ring, Matt Gallagher, Lora Laconti to the Board of Zoning Appeals for the five-year term ending January 31, 2020

**Discussion:** Councilman Caudle clarifies the order of appointment and he understands that experience is important, but he personally had never served in a public capacity. He thinks perhaps a fresh look at matters is equally important. Mayor Leake reminds that the Board of Zoning Appeals is a quasi-judicial board and that perhaps having prior knowledge of a matter [being a member of another board] may be a conflict.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>DEFEATED [1 TO 4]</b>                               |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Kurt Woods, Councilman                                 |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Pam Swinford, Councilwoman                             |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Kurt Woods   |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Pam Swinford, Matt Caudle, Chris Morris, Joe Pasanello |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Steve Aitken   |

**B. Appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals**

Move to authorize the Town Attorney to recommend to the Circuit Court of Prince William County appoint Matthew Gallagher, Lora Loconti, & Ralph Ring to the Board of Zoning Appeals for the five-year term ending January 31, 2020

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Chris Morris, Councilman                   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Pam Swinford, Councilwoman                 |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Steve Aitken                               |

**C. Appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals**

Move to authorize the Town Attorney to recommend to the Circuit Court of Prince William County appoint Lora Loconti, Matthew Gallagher & Ralph Ring to the Board of Zoning Appeals for the unexpired term ending January 31, 2019.

**Discussion:** Councilman Woods believes that Mr. Ring would be a good reappointment, he feels strong that Ms. Loconti could be used well on another board. Councilman Morris reminds that he had no experience nine months ago. He believes she will do a great job on the BZA

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [4 TO 1]</b>                                |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Chris Morris, Councilman                               |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Pam Swinford, Councilwoman                             |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Pam Swinford, Matt Caudle, Chris Morris, Joe Pasanello |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Kurt Woods   |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Steve Aitken   |

## 7. Councilmember Time

### A. Kurt Woods

- Councilman Woods asks if the Town is currently looking into adopting a property maintenance code, as recommended in the Building Official's report. He reminds that one of the pledges he made when he ran for Council was to start cleaning up the blight in Town.

### B. Joe Pasanello

- Councilman Pasanello thanks all of the candidates for coming forward for the positions on the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- He had an opportunity to go into Oh Sew Persnickety, our new Town business. The owner expressed how pleased she is with the appointment of Denise as a business liaison
- He thanks Mr. Dominic for coming this evening. He plans to attend the April 18<sup>th</sup> 5K supporting the Willing Warriors
- He had an opportunity to comment to the media regarding VRE. He thinks this is an issue that should be explored and support further studies

### C. Matt Caudle

- Councilman Caudle agrees with Pasanello regarding VRE, he feels it is time for mass transit in Prince William County
- He visited Transform Power Yoga, they were pleased with their sign
- He appreciates Mr. Carnahan's comments on the Town Properties with regard to the budget
- He received positive feedback from the Harrover Public Forum

### D. Chris Morris

- Councilman Morris commends Mr. Ring on his past service on the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- He is concerned with the Food Pantry and he would like to hear an update from them, who they are serving, how many. County residents vs. Town residents served.
- He would really like to see separate accounting for the properties

### E. Steve Aitken

- Vice Mayor Aitken is absent this evening

### F. Pam Swinford

- Councilwoman Swinford agrees that we need to keep an open mind about VRE
- She also would like to see the accounting separated out in the budget for the various Town-owned properties
- She gives a shout out to the Police Department, there have been a lot of commendations lately. She has gotten a lot of positive feedback
- She reminds that there is still a vacancy on the Architectural Review Board

### G. David Leake

- Mayor Leake reminds that this Saturday is our first Town-sponsored event of the year, Earth Day and its associated events
- He informs the Council that Homes for our Troops reached out to the Town and there will be a ground-breaking ceremony for Cpl Dandrea & his family at QBE
- He also feels another look should be taken at a VRE to Haymarket extension. He believes the Council should address that in the form of a resolution
- Mr. Acie Watts has reached out again to the Council. He is requesting that the Town re-designate his property's future land use from residential to commercial.

## 8. Closed Session

### A. Enter into Closed Session

Move to enter into closed session pursuant to VA 2.2-3711

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A(7) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, specifically matters involving the Finley Asphalt & Sealing Contract (Liquidated Damages) and

A(3) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, specifically leases with The Very Thing & The Very Thing for Her

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Kurt Woods, Councilman  
**SECONDER:** Joe Pasanello, Councilman  
**AYES:** Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello, Leake  
**ABSENT:** Steve Aitken

#### B. Certification of Closed Session

**Discussion:** Councilwoman Swinford declares she has a conflict of interest with regard to closed session discussions pertaining to the Town Center Properties, that she is able to participate in those discussions fairly, objectively, and in the best interest of the public.

Move to certify that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body.

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Kurt Woods, Councilman  
**SECONDER:** Joe Pasanello, Councilman  
**AYES:** Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello, Leake  
**ABSENT:** Steve Aitken

#### C. Council Directive

Move to authorize the Town Attorney to proceed as discussed in closed session

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Kurt Woods, Councilman  
**SECONDER:** Chris Morris, Councilman  
**AYES:** Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello  
**ABSENT:** Steve Aitken

## 9. Adjournment

#### A. Motion to Adjourn

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**AYES:** Swinford, Caudle, Morris, Woods, Pasanello  
**ABSENT:** Steve Aitken

Submitted:

Approved:

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Jennifer Preli, Town Clerk

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David Leake, Mayor

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