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Workshop Meeting
July 23, 2024**

The Appomattox Town Council held a Workshop meeting on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Appomattox Town Hall, Council Chambers, 210 Linden Street, Appomattox, Virginia with Mayor Conner presiding.

Members present: Jane T. Allen, James J. Boyce, Sr., Timothy W. Garrett, Nathan A. Simpson, and Claudia G. Puckette.

Absent: Mary Lou Spiggle

Others present: Carlton Duck; Kim Ray, Town Treasurer; Rob Fowler, Interim Town Manager; Christy Torrence, Office Manager; Tori Rothgeb, Interim Director of Facilities; Cindy Miller Deputy Town Clerk, Jamie White with White Engineering & Design and Blair Smith with Dominion Seven.

Mayor Conner called the meeting to order.

DISCUSSION #1:

Jamie White with White Engineering & Design spoke to the council regarding expanding the town sewer line to a parcel on Ferguson St for a 30-unit town house development. The parcels of land are outside of the Town limits. Mr. White referenced Scott Bloomfield as the developer of the property. A recommendation was made to present the Council with a larger site plan layout for review. The council stated that the landowner would need to do a petition with the County to have the boundary line adjusted for any extension of the town sewer line to be taken into consideration. Mr. White stated he would like to get confirmation if the extension of the sewer line is an option before filing a petition with the County.

DISCUSSION #2:

Blair Smith with Dominion Seven presented his ADA Compliance Review. Mr. Smith advised the Council that to proceed he will need some direction and feedback from the Council. At that time, he can proceed with an estimate of the cost for the decided improvements.

DISCUSSION #3:

Public Hearing
Public Notice of a Public Hearing

The Appomattox Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Appomattox Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 210 Linden Street, Appomattox, Virginia.

The purpose of this public hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following:

Amendment to the FY 2024 Budget for the Town of Appomattox – in accordance with § 15.2-2506 Code of Virginia, the following is a brief synopsis of the budget amendment by the Town of Appomattox for FY 2024:

General Fund Expenditures Amendments	664,288.00
Total Expenditure Amendments	664,288.00

General Fund Revenue Amendments	664,288.00
Total Revenue Amendments	664,288.00

Water Fund Expenditure Amendments	45,000.00
Total Expenditure Amendments	45,000.00

Water Fund Revenue Amendments	45,000.00
Total Revenue Amendments	45,000.00

No one made a public comment.

Mayor Conner closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Boyce, the Council voted to adopt the Budget Amendment for FY 2024 for the Town of Appomattox.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Allen – yes, Garrett – yes, Boyce – yes, Puckette – yes. Simpson – yes, Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION #4:

Proclamation honoring 2023-2024 FFA Chapter

On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Garrett. The Council voted to adopt the Proclamation honoring 2023-2024 FFA Chapter. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Conner requested an invitation be provided to the 2023-2024 FFA Officers to attend the Town Council meeting scheduled for August 12, 2024, to receive their proclamation.

DISCUSSION #5:

Open discussions were held on the 100th Anniversary Commemorative Festival to be held in June of 2025. Mr. Simpson suggested that a committee be formed with a mix of Council members and community members. There would be an option to purchase a Centennial Bronze

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Bell in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Town of Appomattox. Mr. Simpson will get an estimate of the cost to purchase the bronzed bell and will present more information at our next Town Council meeting on August 12, 2024.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Simpson- Discussed the possibility of pushing boundary lines while considering expansion of the town sewer and water lines.

Puckette – Asked staff for an update on the issue with the Lee Grant sidewalk and potholes. The council asked that we keep the neighbors informed of what is being done. Rob stated he has meet with Mr. Youngblood and will keep the council updated on the plans for the repair of Lee Grant Mrs. Puckette asked if we are getting feedback on what local organizations are doing with the grant money received.

Garrett- none

Boyce- The VML Conference is in October. Mr. Boyce would like us to put a display up at the VML Conference.

Allen – Ask staff if we have updates on the crosswalk, accessible playground equipment and on the Depot landscaping.

Conner- We have been invited to attend the Fire One Student ceremony scheduled for July 27, 2024, at 4 pm. It will be held at the Appomattox County High School Auditorium. Please RSVP if you plan to attend.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance and Planning/ARPA- none.

Physical Development-none

STAFF REPORTS:

Mrs. Ray, Treasurer - presented the Town of Appomattox Financial Status Report and the Adopted Budget updates for FY 2024-2025. Reports are on file.

Mrs. Rothgeb, Interim Director of Facilities- Provided a report for review. Reports are on file.

Rob Fowler, Interim Town Manager/ Zoning-Mr. Fowler stated that DMV needs outlets moved at their location. The council approved the outlet to be moved. Mr. Fowler stated Staff has done a great job stepping up and filling in. Mr. Simpson asked that we set aside funds to have an IT company look at the outdoor camera system. Mr. Fowler advised Mrs. Rothgeb to look into this.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Mr. Garrett, seconded by Mrs. Allen, Council voted to adjourn at 8:03 pm. All council members present voting aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Cindy Miller
Deputy Town Clerk

Richard C. Conner
Mayor