1 Appomattox Town Council Regular Council Meeting June 09, 2025

The Appomattox Town Council held a Regular Council meeting on Monday, June 9, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Appomattox Municipal Building, 210 Linden Street, Appomattox, Virginia with Mayor Conner, presiding.

Members present: James J. Boyce, Sr., Mary Lou G. Spiggle, Nathan Simpson, McKinley Cardwell, Jack Hensley, and Timothy W. Garrett

Members absent: None.

Others: Carlton Duck, Alive Media, Cindy Miller, Deputy Town Clerk, Michael Campbell, Town Manager, Tori Rothgeb, Facilities Project Director, David Carter, Director of Utilities, Jackson Barber, Jonathan Garrett, Fire Chief Appomattox Fire Department, Lucas Word, and Deputy Mayor Daniel Kutessa.

Mayor Richard Conner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Reverend Duck led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Approval of the Agenda: Mayor Richard Conner asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Garrett, seconded by Mr. Cardwell, the Council voted to accept the agenda as written. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Simpson entered at 6:35 p.m.

Scheduled Public Appearance:

- 1. Presentation of the ISO Insurance Public Protection Classification review, by Jonathan Garrett, Fire Chief Appomattox Co Fire Department. Mr. Garrett provided a presentation with details of the ISO Insurance Public Protection Classification and explained the process and outcome of the study to Council.
- 2. Wakiso District Local Government-Deputy Mayor Daniel Kutessa Wadimba. Deputy Mayor Daniel Kutessa Wadimba greeted Council and stated he would like to foster a positive relationship between our Towns. He requested the Council consider a partnership to promote Cultural Exchange, Economic Growth and Adventure.

Mayor's Comments: The Mayor expressed his thanks to all who assisted with the Centennial.

Citizen Comment: There were no citizen comments.

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Adoption of the Consent Agenda:

On a motion by Mr. Boyce, seconded by Ms. Spiggle, the Council voted to adopt the consent agenda; April 14, 2025, Regular Council meeting, May 12, 2025, Regular Council meeting and May 27,2025, Workshop meeting. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Discussion and evaluation of the Standing Committees

On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Ms. Spiggle, the Council voted to remove the standing committees from the charter. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Michael Campbell, the Town Manager, stated that he will be working to rewrite the charter to match what we are doing and will make this one of the changes.

Closed Session:

On a motion by Mr. Cardwell, seconded by Mr. Simpson, Council voted to convene in Closed Session, pursuant to Section 2.2.3711(A)29, for the purpose of discussing or considering the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the negotiating strategy of the public body for contracts both A & B.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Cardwell-yes, Boyce-yes, Garrett-yes, Hensley-yes, Simpson-yes, Spiggle-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was re-opened to the public.

Council member Mr. Boyce made the following motion:

To the best of each member's knowledge, the only subjects just discussed or considered in the preceding closed meeting were those: (i) lawfully exempted from the FOIA Act's open-meeting requirements and (ii) properly identified in the motion that convened the closed meeting, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2.371(A)29.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Mr. Simpson and Council by the following recorded vote adopted the motion:

ROLL CALL VOTE: Cardwell-yes, Boyce-yes, Garrett-yes, Hensley-yes, Simpson-yes, Spiggle-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Town Manager's Report: Mr. Campbell stated that the Virginia General Assembly Bills HB 2383 and SB 1402 will reflect a compromise between Airbnb and secure internal systems for pass through of lodging tax. The Town of Appomattox had a clean audit, and the full report will be reviewed at our Workshop meeting on June 24, 2025.

Council Comments

Cardwell-He thanked everyone for what they did for the Centennial event on Saturday.

Boyce-none

Ms. Spiggle-none

Mr. Garrett-none

Simpson-Please be in prayer for the seven hundred Marine deployed to LA.

Hensley-none

Adjournment:

On a motion by Mr. Garrett, seconded by Mr. Cardwell, the Council voted to adjourn at 9:05 pm. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Cindy Miller Deputy Town Clerk Richard C. Conner Mayor