

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM

319 North Main Street, Chase City, VA 23924

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MINUTES

Call to Order

Mayor Fahringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Council Member BJ Mull

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Invocation

Mayor Fahringer gave the invocation.

Citizen's Recognition

Paul Jackson, Victoria, VA, stated that a couple of years ago he paid for a business license for a hotel on Main St. He purchased the license in late 2020 and again in 2021. He stated that the Town Manager will not renew his business license for 2022 and he does not feel like the town should legislate him out of business. He is ready to move forward with his hotel. A meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 10 a.m. at the Town Office.

Rex Bruce, 601 East Sycamore, stated that he is running for town council and that he has lived in Chase City for 62 years and is willing to talk with anyone if they want to ask him any questions.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented was made by Council Member Mull, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson

1. RCM 08/08/2022
2. Bills Paid in the Month of August 2022
3. Report to Council/Operating Budget August 2022
4. August 2022 Charge Offs

5. CCVFD August 2022 Report
6. PW August 2022 Report
7. CCPD August 2022 Report

New Business

8. Ordinance Adopting Title 46.2 and Article Two 18.2-266-18.2-273, Code of Virginia 1950 as amended as required by law

Motion to adopt the ordinance adopting Title 46.2 and Article Two 18.2-266-18.2-273, Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended was made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Keeton. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING TITLE 46.2 AND ARTICLE TWO 18.2-266-18.2-273,

Code of Virginia of 1950 as amended

WHEREAS, the **TOWN OF CHASE CITY**, Virginia, a municipal corporation, pursuant to Authority duly invested therein, has the responsibility to control, govern, and direct motor vehicular laws and regulations and laws and regulations concerning the health and safety of persons,

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia has heretofore enacted legislation concerning the control and operation of motor vehicles and the health and safety of persons, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 46.2-1313, and Section 1-13.39:2 Code of Virginia, of 1950 as amended, the Town Council of the **TOWN OF CHASE CITY**, Virginia, has the authority to adopt and to incorporate by reference various provisions of the Code of Virginia, and may include future amendments to the state statutes, and, after thorough and mature consideration thereof, the Town Council deems such adoption and incorporation to be in the best interest:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Pursuant to authority duly vested, the **TOWN OF CHASE CITY** hereby adopts and incorporates by specific reference thereto Title 46.2, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and the **2022** Cumulative Supplement, relating to motor vehicle laws, and as amended in the future. In addition, the **TOWN OF CHASE CITY** hereby adopts and incorporates express reference thereto, Article Two, Chapter 7, of 18.2, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, commencing with section 18.2-266 through 18.2-273 as in force on July 1, 1994, and as amended in the future.
2. The **TOWN OF CHASE CITY** hereby adopts and incorporates by specific reference thereto any and all amendments, additions and deletions as may from time to time be made by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia which may be entered subsequent to the adoption and incorporation thereof as authorized by Virginia Code Section 1-13.39:2.
3. By adoption and incorporation of the foregoing provisions of the Code of Virginia regulating motor vehicular operation and control and the health and safety of it citizens, the **TOWN OF CHASE CITY** hereby has and shall have the authority to enforce the revisions adopted by reference and incorporated herein.

4. This resolution and adoption of this ordinance shall take place upon entry hereof.

This the 12th day of September, 2022.

Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Fahringer stated that two firefighters with CCVFD completed search and rescue training at Smithfield Fire Department this past weekend. He also thanked the town shop for putting out the barriers at the Pavilion. He also stated that the last blood drive went very well and the next blood drive will be 10/27 from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. He encouraged everyone to come out and donate and to also consider a power red donation. Party at the Pavilion has been rescheduled due to rain and will most likely be held on October 29. He stated that the town looks pretty compared to years past. Trunk or Treat will be held on October 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Vice-Mayor Bohannon said the new tractor looks like it is doing the job it is intended to do and that he hopes everyone takes care of it. He also stated that last month's fly in was very successful and had about 130 people. The next fly in is scheduled for 10/24.

Mayor Fahringer informed everyone that the Civil Air Patrol would be at the airport for a meeting on 9/15 at 7 p.m. and they will have the flight simulator on site. Civil Air Patrol is open to ages 12 & up.

Council Member Whitaker stated that the CCVFD will hold a fish fry on Oct 1. They will be selling tickets but if you do not have a ticket, you may still purchase a plate on the day of the event.

Council Member Mull thanked Rex Bruce and other candidates for town council for stepping up and running for election. He asked the town manager if water leaks have been above normal or about average. He said the town needs to do something about the condition of the water lines and if we don't act it is going to catch up with us. He would like for the town manager to explore all options for funding to rehab the town's water system. Town Manager Forbes stated that there are a couple of grant avenues that can be explored that just recently came out. The town manager went on to say the problem is most of the lines are either 70 to 80 years old or about 10 years old. The biggest problem with water lines is the valves. To replace the lines and valves will be a lengthy and expensive process. The town bid out to repair the line on Virginia Avenue, which is old galvanized pipe and the one bid the town received is for over \$240,000.00. That price is for labor only and does not include any materials. Vice-Mayor Bohannon asked what the problem is with the valves. The town manager replied that the valves have not been exercised properly and are either frozen and will break when you try to turn them or they have dropped down and no longer work. The town manager stated there is no plan yet for repairs or replacement because we have to figure out where the money is going to come from. This budget year does have about \$5,000 for valve replacement.

Town Manager's Oral Report

Town Manager Forbes gave the following report:

Business Opportunities - Bargain Bins Grand opening

Contacts/ Meetings - Wells Fargo Architect and HVAC representatives, IDA Monthly to discuss blighted Main St businesses, Wanda Johnson VSU on Community gardens

Streets - VDOT Paving Main St from Woods to American Legion

Water/Sewer - Smiley Construction will be making repairs and replacement to sewer lines prior to slip lining. Schedule pending., Sycamore St line break repaired, Huston St line leak repaired.

WWTP - Routine work

Grants - Nothing new to report

Blighted properties - Three properties demolished. Endly St property to be rebuilt for family under project

Lee Building - Town water crew preparing estimate to replace galvanized pipes

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Alden Fahringer, Mayor

Tonya M. Duffer, Clerk of Council