

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, December 09, 2024 at 7:00 PM

525 North Main Street, Chase City VA 23924

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MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Alden Fahringer at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Council Member Latrisha McCargo

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

Invocation

Mayor Fahringer led everyone in the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Citizen's Recognition

Mayor Fahringer asked for public comments, but no one came forward.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the consent agenda as presented. It was seconded by Council Member McCargo.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

1. The minutes from 11/12/24 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Old Business

2. Item: To add Article F-Cigarette Tax to the Town of Chase City codes and ordinances.

Discussion: Article F- Cigarette Tax will need to be added to the Chase City codes and ordinances in order to start collecting the \$0.15 tax per pack of cigarettes.

Recommendation:

1. The Chase City Town Council vote to approve the second reading of the Article F- Cigarette Tax.
2. The Chase City Town Council to vote to adopt the Article F- Cigarette Tax.

Motion made by Council Member Keeton to approve the second reading of the Article F - Cigarette Tax. It was seconded by Council Member Wilson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Voting Nay: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker

Motion to approve second reading carried with a 4 to 2 vote.

Motion made by Council Member Wilson to adopt the Article F Cigarette Tax. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Voting Nay: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker

Motion to adopt carried with a 4 to 2 vote.

New Business

3. Bills Paid in the Month of November 2024

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the bills paid for November 2024. It was seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

4. Report to Council/Operating Budget November 2024

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the November 2024 report to council. It was seconded by Council Member Wilson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

5. The November 2024 charge off report submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the November 2024 charge off report as presented. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

6. The Chase City Police Department report for November 2024 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Keeton to accept the Police Department report for November of 2024 as presented. It was seconded by Council Member Whitaker.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor Fahringer read through the report and thanked all the officers for all they do.

7. The public works report for November 2024 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the public works report for November 2024 as presented. It was seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor Fahringer read through the report and commented that the Christmas decorations look great. He thanked Donnie and the crew for all they do.

8. The Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report for November 2024 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report for November 2024 as presented. It was seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor Fahringer read through this report and thanked the fire fighters for all they do.

9. The Town Council will vote to approve the appointment of the new Clerk of Council, Rhita Burton.

Rhita Burton introduced herself to everyone.

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to approve the appointment of Rhita Burton as the new clerk of council. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Alden Fahringer commented that the parade was lovely to see. He went on to say he had met with Long Road Solar, and they are doing a lot for the town. They put on the Christmas tree lighting.

Council Member Bohannon said the kids singing at the Christmas tree lighting was great and he thought the Christmas parade was wonderful. He welcomed Rhita Burton and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Member Whitaker thanked everyone and said we need to say a special prayer for the Whitlow/ Robinette family tonight and for the firemen for what they have to witness. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Member Hatcher welcomed Rhita Burton and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Member Keeton welcomed Rhita Burton too and wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Council Member Wilson wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Member McCargo thanked all town employees and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas with peace and blessings for the New Year.

Town Manager's Oral Report

Town Manager Forbes said he had participated in a B Street meeting in November. He said Rhita Burton starts December 16, 2024. Forbes said a log truck hooked and pulled down a street light pole in front of the pavilion. He commented that there had been a lot of water leaks, especially on Virginia Avenue. He was happy to report that Railroad Avenue is completed under budget. The Town Manager said the Chris has winterized all the town facilities. Mr. Forbes reported he had applied for government issued equipment and the town would be receiving a Humvee and that would be great if we have snow. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Alden Fahringer, Mayor

Stacey Pafford, Clerk of Council