

# TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, March 08, 2021 at 7:00 PM

319 North Main Street, Chase City, VA 23924

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## MINUTES

### Invocation

Mayor Fahringer gave the invocation.

#### PRESENT

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

#### ABSENT

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

### Call to Order

Mayor Fahringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Due to COVID19, the meeting is being recorded for viewing on YouTube.

### Citizen's Recognition

Due to the meeting being closed to the public due to COVID19 regulations, a letter submitted by Charles Magann was read into the record by Tonya Duffer, Town Clerk. A copy of the letter is attached to the minutes.

### Consent Agenda

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

1. February 8, 2021 RCM
2. Joint Public Hearing Minutes 03-02-21
3. Budget Workshop Minutes 03-02-21
4. CCVFD Feb 2021 Report
5. February 2021 CCPD Report
6. Bills Paid in the Month of February 2021

7. Report to Council/Operating Budget February 2021
8. February 2021 Charge Offs

### Old Business

9. Approve as second reading and adopt ordinance Article F - Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty Section 6-4-51 - Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher to accept as a second reading the addition of Article F Section 6-4-51 to the Chase City Code of Ordinances. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher to adopt the addition of Article F Section 6-4-51 to the Chase City Code of Ordinances. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

Article F – Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty

§ 6-4-51 – Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty

In accordance with Section 15.2-1127 of the Code of Virginia as amended; owners of buildings that have been vacant for a continuous period of 12 months or more, and which meet the definition of derelict building, to register such buildings on an annual basis and may impose an annual registration fee not to exceed \$100.00 to defray the cost of processing such registration. The registration of buildings shall be on forms designated by the locality and filed with the Town Office. Failure to register shall be a \$200.00 civil penalty; however, failure to register in conservation and rehabilitation districts designated by the governing body, or in other areas designated as blighted, shall be punishable by a civil penalty not exceeding \$400.00. Notice shall be mailed to the owner or owners, at the address which property tax notices are sent, at least 30 days prior to the assessment of the civil penalty.

10. Adopt the recommendation of the Planning Commission for rezoning application submitted by Lisa and Glen Gillispie

Motion to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Commission and rezone 27 North Main Street to R-1 was made by Council Member Mull, Seconded by Council Member Whitaker. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

11. Set a Public Hearing for April 12, 2021 at 7 pm for Conditional Use Permit Application 21-01

Motion to set a public hearing for April 12, 2021 at 7 pm for Conditional Use Permit application to install a private wall made by Maccallum More Museum and Gardens was made by Council Member Whitaker, 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.

12. Set a Joint Public Hearing date on April 12, 2021 for Application for rezoning 21-01  
Motion to set a public hearing for April 12, 2021 at 7 p.m. for application to rezone 757 Boyd Street from B2 to R2 submitted by Paul Jackson was made by Council Member Whitaker, 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.

### **New Business**

13. Adopt the attached Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to receive FEMA money  
Motion to adopt the Southside Planning District Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 was made by Council Member Whitaker, 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.
14. Approve as a first reading an addition to Section 6-2-52 – Private Wells  
Motion to table this matter until a later date was made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.
15. New CCPD Positions (Titles Only)  
Motion to re instate the Lieutenant and Corporal positions at the Chase City Police Department was made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.

Voting Yea: Mayor Fahringer, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

### **Mayor/Council Comments**

Mayor Fahringer informed Council that Macallum More Museum and Gardens is currently raising money to restore the paintings of the Mayor and First Lady of Chase Cit. MMMG currently has a donor who will match up to \$2,500.00 to restore the paintings. He also reminded everyone that there will be a meeting on March 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Estes Center concerning the baseball fields.

Council Member Whitaker thanked the PD, FD and PW for all their hard work over the past month with the inclement weather.

Council Member Bohannon thanked the FD, PD and Rescue for all their work. He also thanked PW for their work during the inclement weather and then on the water leak in Thynedale. He thanked the staff in the Town Office for all their hard work also.

Chief Jordan stated that one of the calls during the ice storm was particularly disturbing as it involved a whole family with a generator inside the house. He stated that if the PD had not

gotten the family out of the house, they would have perished. He commended everyone for their efforts on this call.

Council Member Keeton stated she was thankful that all of our emergency responders work well together and she is thankful for people who go above and beyond.

### **Closed Session**

16. Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (1) to discuss a personnel matter

Motion that council convene in closed session pursuant to VA Code Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Whitaker. Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Wilson.

Motion was made by James Bohannon and seconded by Marshall Whitaker that only matters discussed during the closed session were those both lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened. Vote by roll call.

Brenda Hatcher – Yea

Marshall Whitaker - Yea

James Bohannon – Yea

Pauline Keeton – Yea

Michelle Wilson – Yea

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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**Alden Fahringer, Mayor**

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**Tonya M. Duffer, Clerk of Council**