# **TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, February 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.

# **Call to Order**

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

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

# **Citizen's Recognition**

# **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve consent agenda as presented made by Council Member Keeton, 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

- 1. RCM 01/11/21
- 2. PW Report Jan 2021
- 3. CCVFD Jan 2021 Report
- 4. CCPD Jan 2021
- 5. Bills Paid in the Month of January 2021
- 6. Report to Council/Operating Budget January 2021
- 7. Jan 2021 Charge Offs

#### **Old Business**

8. Application for Rezoning 20-01 Lisa Gillispie

Motion to schedule a public hearing on March 2, 2021 for the application for rezoning from Lisa and Glen Gillispie was made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Council Member Mull. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council

Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson

#### **New Business**

9. Approval for Treasurer to use contingency funds

Motion to approve the Treasurer to use \$4,078.00 of contingency funds to pay for a UV screen replacement and plugs for WWTP made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Council Member Mull. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson

10. Appropriation of funds for Chase City Community Park.

Motion to appropriate \$15,000.00 from the IDA sale funds to the Chase City Community Park for repairs and upgrades 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.

11. Vacant Building Registration and Civil Penalty

Motion to approve as a first reading the addition of ordinance Article F Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty Sec 6-4-51 Vacant Building Registration; civil penalty made by Council Member Hatcher, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon. Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

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.

12. Application for Re-zoning Paul Jackson 21-01

Motion to send an application for rezoning submitted by Paul Jackson to the Planning Commission made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Council Member Mull. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

Motion to send Conditional Use Permit application submitted by MacCallum More Museum and Gardens to the Planning Commission made by Marshall Whitaker, Seconded by BJ Mull. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Mull, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson.

Motion to include a Tourism Plan in the Chase City Comprehensive Plan and to hold a planning session for the plan 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.

#### Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Fahringer stated that it is very enjoyable to be here with everyone and he is proud of how we can work together. He also said he sees a lot of positive things coming for the Town.

Council Member Bohannon thanked the Mayor. He said that during the recent weather the PD, FD, and PW worked well together and did a great job.

Council Member Mull asked if we still have grand openings for new businesses in Town. He said he believes that Council should attend openings to show support for new businesses. He understands that these openings may not have been possible during COVID.

#### Town Manager's Oral Report

Blighted Properties - Amoco gas station final notification in paper to remove blighted building can be demolished as early as 3 March 2021.

Contacts/ Meetings - IDA with guest speaker Mike Dotti from Brunswick IDA

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director and potential craft beer brewery operator

Planning Commission - B&B Labs for sewer work and WWTP actions

Streets - Snow removal

Water/Sewer - Survey work for storm water infiltration into sewer lines is ongoing.

WWTP - All tests are within normal limits. UV system screen replaced at cost of \$2450. Treatment intensity increased from older settings.

Endly Street Project - Sewer stub outs and hookups for residences ongoing

Grants - Brownfield Grant Submitted, REL Historic grant finalized \$150,000

Community Impact Market Analysis Grant award \$22,500

REL Auditorium - Work to begin cleaning out rooms and disposing of derelict equipment and other items.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Adjournment

Alden Fahringer, Mayor