MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF SHENANDOAH August 27, 2024

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: The Shenandoah Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr. presiding.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members present were: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.; Vice Mayor William Kite; Council Members Lynn Fox; I. Michael Lowe; Richard Pierce; and Christopher Reisinger.

Council Members absent were: Councilwoman Cave

Other Town Officials present were: Charles Jenkins, Town Manager; Paul Davis, Police Chief and Angie Schrimscher, Town Clerk.

Citizens present were: Robert Zirkle, Sue Zirkle, Brittaney Sutherland, Jennifer Morris, Melissa Smith, Diane Shifflett, Brenda Haggett and Jennifer Eppard.

Media Representatives: None

AWARD PRESENTATION

None during this period.

RECEIVING OF VISITORS

None during this period

August 13, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Pierce, seconded by Councilman Reisinger, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes held on August 13, 2024, as presented.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

NAY: None

Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Cave

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kite, seconded by Councilman Fox, to approve the bills, dated August 27, 2024, in the Combined Accounts Disbursements Warrants #42157 - #42213 in the amount of \$80,883.18, as presented.

NAY: None

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Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Cave

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Councilman Lowe, seconded by Councilman Fox, to approve the August 27, 2024 Treasurer's Report, submitted by Treasurer Christl Huddle, in the amount of \$2,153,730.24, as presented.

Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Cave

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

CORRESPONDENCE

#1- Town Manager Charlie Jenkins noted the Town Council had been given the Town Charter changes and could approve them if they desired.

A motion was made by Councilman Fox, seconded by Councilman Reisinger, to approve the Town Charter changes.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Cave

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

#2 - Received a Memo from Brenda Haggett regarding the Shenandoah Beautification Committee's need for a truck to water plants around Town. Brenda Haggett stated she purchased a truck and had to get the truck road worthy and it has cost her over \$1800.00. Brenda Haggett stated since she now has a truck to water plants, she will need additional funding to buy live flowers, shrubs, and trees. She added prices on these have increased significantly over the past few years. Brenda Haggett noted she will also need to purchase a pump for the water tank. Brenda Haggett is asking for \$1500.00 or more for these purchases. Brenda Haggett informed the Council the money the Town donated earlier this year will go to replacing broken or worn decorations for fall, Christmas, spring and Fourth of July.

NAY: None

After a short discussion, Council unanimously decided to revisit the request from Brenda Haggett until the spring.

#3 - Received a Thank You letter from the Strickler Family for the donation in honor of Robert Strickler.

#4 - Received a Thank You Letter from the Congregation of Fields United Methodist Church for the Town's donation of \$100.00 in honor of Owen Strickler.

WATER AND SEWER

(Chair Kite, Councilwoman Cave, and Councilman Lowe)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated the Public Works Crew had two repairs on the South side of Town.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated they are still trying to track water loss. He noted Rockingham County supplied a meter device to use on the waterlines to track how much water is used verses how much water is flowing that direction.

STREETS & PUBLIC PROPERTY

(Chair Fox, Vice Mayor Kite, and Councilman Lowe)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated on Third Street and Virginia Avenue a large portion of the retaining wall was removed. He noted one layer of block was laid down to hold the dirt back and a handrail will need to be added at the steps. Town Manager Charlie Jenkins noted leftover pipe

from the sewer stair project will be used. He also noted fittings will be ordered and Public Works will lay blocking down to support the area.

POLICE, SAFETY & JUDICIAL

(Chair Kite, Councilman Lowe, and Councilman Reisinger)

Police Chief Paul Davis stated the Town of Shenandoah and the Sheriff's Office have reached a verbal agreement for the Sherriff's Office to continue with animal control services for the Town.

Police Chief Paul Davis stated the Police Department applied for a grant of \$12,500.00 to install four FLOCK cameras in certain areas of Town. The cameras will be used to detect license plates of stolen cars, kidnapping, and amber alerts within the Town.

TAXATION & FINANCE

(Chair Pierce, Vice Mayor Kite, and Councilman Fox)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated the USDA will look at household incomes in a specific project area. He added the USDA will do a micro shot of a particular street to see what median household income is for the affected area.

PARKS & RECREATION

(Chair Reisinger, Councilman Lowe and Pierce)

None during this period.

INDUSTRIAL, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROCUREMENT

(Chair Cave, Councilmen Lowe and Pierce)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins asked Council if they would like to decide on whether or not to repair the 2000 GMC pickup truck.

After a brief discussion, the Council decided not to repair the 2000 GMC pickup truck. Council instructed Town Manager Charlie Jenkins to source estimates for a new truck.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

(Chair Kite, Councilwoman Cave and Councilman Pierce)

Chair Kite suggested giving out the Community Enhancement Award to James and Carol Lam at 124 Corcoran Avenue.

PERSONNEL

(Chair Pierce, Councilwoman Cave, Councilmen Lowe and Reisinger)

A representative from Virginia Retirement System came into the office and spoke to a few employees about their retirement plans.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None during this period

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

None during this period.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

None During this period.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None during this period

FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWN

Brenda Haggett briefly spoke about planning for new plants for the Town Beautification Committee.

Diane Shifflett thanked the Town for adding safety signs at the railroad.

Diane Shifflett commended Brenda Haggett for all the hard work she has done on the Beautification Committee.

Brittany Sutherland spoke about parked cars blocking the view of the intersection on Shenandoah Avenue and Second Street.

Brittany Sutherland inquired about locating a camping trailer on her property. Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated he will need to look into the Town code before making a decision.

Jenny Eppard spoke about having a question or a concern about the motion given by the Town Council. Jenny Eppard stated if someone in the audience could request that the person should be able to explain it.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, a *motion* was made by Vice Mayor Kite, *seconded* by Councilman Fox, to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe NAY: None

Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr. ABSENT: VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Angela Schrimscher, Town Clerk