

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE FARMVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2009

At the regular monthly meeting of the Farmville Town Council held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 12, 2009, there present were Mayor S.C. Newman, Jr., presiding and Council members D.E. Whitus, S.B. Thompson, T.M. Pairet, O.S. Overton, A.D. Reid and E.I. Gordon. Council member D.L. Hunter was absent. Also in attendance were Town Manager, Gerald Spates, Town Attorney, Donald Blessing, Acting Chief of Police, Wade Stimpson, Director of Public Works, Robin Atkins, Town Treasurer, Carol Anne Seal and Town Planner, Cindy Morris.

Mayor Newman called the meeting to order. Reverend Jim Price offered the opening prayer and Council member Reid led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acting Chief of Police, Wade Stimpson introduced three of Farmville's new Police Officers: Chris Riviere, Eric Ellington and Albert Jamerson, Jr. (Bo). Officer Jack Brooks (Billy) was not able to attend. The Officers briefly addressed Town Council sharing their employment history.

On motion by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Overton and with all Council members voting "aye", the amended minutes of the October 14, 2009 regular Council meeting were approved. Council member Whitus asked that the minutes be amended to include his explanation for abstaining in the street and alley abandonment request on behalf of The Woodland, Inc. He asked that the minutes reflect The Woodland, Inc. is his employer.

On motion by Mr. Whitus, seconded by Mrs. Thompson and with a recorded vote with Council members Reid, Gordon, Whitus, Pairet, Overton and Thompson voting "aye", Council approved the Treasurer's Report.

On motion by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Overton and with a recorded vote with Council members Pairet, Whitus, Thompson, Gordon, Overton and Reid voting "aye", Council approved payment of the following bills:

(Bills Printed in Minute Book)

DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS

Members received copies of the following monthly reports:

- Building Official's Report
- Property Inspector's Report
- Recreation Report
- Golf Course Monthly Tally

Mr. Spates reviewed the reports with Council at the work session held on Wednesday, November 4, 2009. He provided members with a verbal update on the paving of the cart paths at the Farmville Municipal Golf Course.

PROPOSED ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS

Members were reminded of the joint Public Hearing on the proposed zoning map amendments scheduled for 6:45 pm on Wednesday, December 9, 2009.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Members agreed to follow the recommendations of the Town Manager and authorized advertisement for a Public Hearing on the following proposed zoning ordinance amendments: **Sec. 29-411 Appointment and term** amend to reflect compensation for Board of Zoning Appeals members and **Sec. 20.28 Members** amend to read one member of the Planning Commission shall be an administrative official of the town. Mr. Spates said both these amendments are housekeeping issues and comply with the Code of Virginia.

ADOPT AMENDED 2009 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mrs. Thompson and with a recorded vote with Council members Gordon, Reid, Overton, Pairet, Thompson and Whitus voting “aye”, Council adopted the revised 2009 Emergency Operation Plan.

The Virginia Department of Emergency Management requires localities to revise and readopt their Emergency Operations Plan every four (4) years.

PROPOSED NOISE ORDINANCE

On motion by Mr. Pairet, seconded by Mr. Thompson and with all Council members voting “aye”, Council followed the recommendation of the Town Manager and authorized advertisement for a Public Hearing on rescinding and adopting the proposed noise ordinance. The Public Hearing is to be held at 6:45 pm on Wednesday, December 9, 2009.

Members received a copy of the noise ordinance recently adopted by Chesterfield County; the ordinance has been reviewed by attorneys with the Virginia Municipal League. Mr. Spates recommended Council consider adopting the proposed noise ordinance and authorize advertisement for a Public Hearing. Council supported the recommendation of the Town Manager and requested Town Attorney, Donald Blessing review the proposed noise ordinance.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FROM THE NARCOTICS FUND

On motion by Mr. Pairet, seconded by Mr. Overton and with a recorded vote with Council members Thompson, Overton, Whitus, Reid, Pairet and Gordon voting “aye”, Council authorized payment of \$88.50 from the Narcotic’s Fund to Saul Mineroff Electronics, Inc for a DVR pen.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FROM HENRICO COUNTY

On motion by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Whitus and with a recorded vote with Council members Pairet, Overton, Reid, Gordon, Thompson, and Whitus voting “aye” Council authorized purchase of the following equipment from Henrico County for \$40, 600.00.

VIN #	Year	Make	Mileage	Asking Price
2FZHAJAA51AG97450	2001	Sterling s/a/dump	n/a	\$10,000.00
2FZHAJAA71AG97451	2001	Sterling s/a dump	n/a	\$9,000.00
2FZHRJAAXXAA30214	1999	Sterling s/a dump	n/a	\$9,000.00
1FTRX12W15FA33412	2005	Ford pick up	110318	\$6,300.00
1FTRX12WX5FA33411	2005	Ford pick up	102743	\$6,300.00

INFORMATION – VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Members were provided information on the Virginia Freedom of Information Act that was distributed at the Virginia Municipal League Conference held in October 2009.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM THE FARMVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

Members received a copy of Mr. Ted Cunningham’s letter of resignation from the Farmville Planning Commission. Due to scheduling conflicts, Mr. Cunningham is unavailable to attend meetings therefore resigning from the Commission. The Code of Virginia states that a local planning commission shall consist of not less than five nor more than fifteen members. Dr. Gordon, Town Council’s representative on the Planning Commission informed Council that the Commission has discussed Mr. Cunningham’s resignation and felt they would like to remain at five (5) members for the present time. Council supported their recommendations.

THE TOWN MANAGER PROVIDED A VERBAL REPORT ON THE FOLLWING:

- Members received copies of the following reports:
 - 21st Annual Virginia Water and Wastewater Rate Report prepared by Draper Aden Associates
 - Town of Farmville Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Year Ended June 30, 2009
- Received letter from Mr. Hunter Watson on behalf of Main & High Streets Investors LLC, they have elected to not renew their parking lease in the Municipal Lot
- Members received a map prepared by Mr. Joe Hines with the Timmons Group – Mr. Spates provided a verbal update on Mottley Lake and moving the intake on Buffalo Creek. He said, moving the intake on Buffalo Creek would increase the safe yield to 5.02 million gallons a day - present town water usage is 1.3 million.
- Farmville’s new website in on-line
- Ribbon cutting for Bug Buster will be held on Friday, November 20, 2009
- Mr. Spates provided an update on current flood conditions and street closings

There being no other business, the meeting recessed until Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor S.C. Newman, Jr.

Lisa M. Hricko, Clerk