

SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING OF THE FARMVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON FEBRUARY 1, 2010

At a special called council meeting of the Farmville Town Council held on Monday, February 1, 2010 at 12:15 pm, in the Town Manager's Conference Room, located at 116 North Main Street, there present were Mayor S.C. Newman, Jr., presiding and Council members D.E. Whitus, D.L. Hunter, S.B. Thompson, T.M. Pairet, O.S. Overton, A.D. Reid and E.I. Gordon. Also attending were Town Manager, Gerald J. Spates and Police Chief, Douglas Mooney.

Mayor Newman called the meeting to order and Mr. Spates read the special call meeting notice stating the purpose of the meeting was to:

1. To finalize an agreement between the Town of Farmville and the County of Prince Edward regarding reserved parking spaces in the metered municipal parking lot, and
2. Discuss and consider purchasing additional police vehicles, and
3. To take possible action in regards to any other business that may come before Council.

PARKING LOT AGREEMENT: TOWN OF FARMVILLE AND COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD, VIRGINIA

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Whitus and with a recorded vote with Council members Whitus, Hunter, Thompson, Pairet, Overton, Reid and Gordon voting "aye", Council unanimously approved signing the Parking Lot Agreement Between Town of Farmville, Virginia and County of Prince Edward, Virginia.

This issue of reserved parking spaces for County Courthouse employees had been discussed at previous Council and Board meetings. Both governing bodies agreed to appoint a committee to work towards a comparable resolution. Mayor Newman, Council member Whitus and Town Manager, Gerald Spates met with Chairman Fore, Supervisor Simpson and County Administrator, Wade Bartlett. At the direction of Town Council, Town Attorney, Donald Blessing drew up the Agreement with assistance from Prince Edward County Attorney, James Ennis. The Agreement provides 109 reserved parking spaces in the Town's metered municipal parking lot located between South Street and North Street. For the designated parking spaces, the County agrees to pay the Town \$200,000, payable in three installments, without interest.

REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

On motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Reid and with a recorded vote with Council members Gordon, Reid, Overton, Pairet, Thompson, Hunter and Whitus voting "aye", Council authorized the purchase of seven new 2010 Dodge Charger police cruisers. Six marked vehicles

will be purchased with General Funds and one unmarked vehicle will be purchased using Narcotic Funds.

Police Chief, Douglas Mooney presented members with a bid from CrossRoads of Virginia for the purchase of seven police vehicles - four marked Dodge Chargers, two marked Dodge Chargers with half prisoner partitions and one unmarked Dodge Charger totaling \$159,766. Chief Mooney informed members that CrossRoads of Virginia has the Dodge Charger contract with York County and this purchase would be covered under that contract. Members questioned the need for the purchase of seven new vehicles at one time. Chief Mooney addressed their concerns stating the department is short five officers and once those positions have been filled, the new officers will need vehicles. He said the new vehicles will go to the senior officers, with their vehicles being added to the fleet, the six oldest vehicles would be retired from service. He added that two of the new vehicles will have half partitions in the back seat for transport of disorderly prisoners and mental patients to ensure officer safety while driving.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING APPLICATION TO THE VIRGINIA TOBACCO INDEMNIFICATION AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION COMMISSION FOR AGRIBUSINESS GRANT FUNDS TO PROVIDE A DEDICATED PERMANENT HOME FOR THE FARMVILLE AREA FARMER'S MARKET

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Pairet and with a recorded vote with Council members Whitus, Hunter, Thompson, Pairet, Overton, Reid and Gordon voting “aye”, members approved support of an application to the Virginia Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission for agribusiness grant funds to provide a permanent space for Farmville’s Farmers Market.

Mr. Spates presented members with a draft resolution. He said staff is working on the budget and once those figures become final the Town will be ready to submit the application. He spoke of the plans to renovate the Middle Tobacco Warehouse into an open-air structure, offering the community additional municipal parking during the week and ample parking for those using the Market or visiting the High Bridge Trail State Park on the weekends.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR STATE AID TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Pairet and with a recorded vote with Council members Gordon, Reid, Overton, Pairet, Thompson, Hunter and Whitus voting “aye”, Council

granted authorization to Transit Manager, Julie Adams to sign the necessary documents authorizing the application for State aid to public transportation.

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION
FOR STATE AID TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Be it resolved by the Town of Farmville that the Transit Manager is authorized, for and on behalf of the Town of Farmville, hereafter referred to as the Public Body, to execute and file an application to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Commonwealth of Virginia, hereafter referred to as the, Department, for a grant of financial assistance in the amount of \$284,800 to defray the costs borne by the Public Body for public transportation purposes and to accept from the Department grants in such amounts as may be awarded, and to authorize Transit Manager to furnish to the Department such documents and other information as may be required for processing the grant request.

The Town of Farmville certifies that the funds shall be used in accordance with the requirements of Section 58.1-638.A.4 of the Code of Virginia, that the Public Body will provide funds in the amount of \$158,562. which will be used to match state funds in the ratio and required in such Act, that the records of receipts of expenditures of funds granted the Public Body may be subject to audit by the Department and by the State Auditor of Public Accounts, and that funds granted to the Public Body for defraying the expenses of the Public Body shall be used only for such purposes as authorized in the Code of Virginia. The undersigned duly qualified and acting Transit Manager of the Public Body certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution, adopted at the legally special called meeting of the Town of Farmville held on the 1st day of February 2010.

Signature of Recording Officer

Title of Recording Officer

Date

Mr. Spates informed Council that this is a yearly requirement of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation in order to continue to receive State funding for the Farmville Area Bus.

There being no other business the meeting was declared adjourned 1:00 pm.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mayor S.C. Newman, Jr.

Lisa M. Hricko, Clerk