

**REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE FARMVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON JANUARY 4, 2012**

At the regular work session of the Farmville Town Council held on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 11:00 am, in the conference room of the Town Manager, located at 116 North Main Street, Farmville, VA, there were Mayor S.C. Newman, Jr., presiding, and Council members D.E. Whitus, D.L. Hunter, S.B. Thompson, A.D. Reid, and E.I. Gordon. Council member T.M. Pairet arrived at 11:15 and Council member O.S. Overton was absent.

Staff present was Town Manager, Gerald Spates; Town Attorney, Donald Blessing and Town Clerk, Lisa Hricko. Also in attendance were Mr. Ted Cole and Mr. Roland Kooch with Davenport Public Finance.

Mayor Newman called the meeting to order at 11:05 am. Mr. Spates presented the January 2012 agenda items. The following items were discussed:

**DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS**

- Recreational Activity Report
- Building Officials Report
- Meter Tally Report

Due to the holidays, the Property Inspector's Report and the Recycling Report will be distributed the night of Council.

**REQUEST REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE FARMVILLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Mr. Davis and Mr. Houghton's terms on the Authority will expire on February 28, 2012. FIDA terms are for six (6) years, both have expressed interest in continuing to serve. In order to be reappointed, Council will need to request that the Circuit Court of Prince Edward County reappoint Mr. Davis and Mr. Houghton.

**REQUEST REAPPOINTMENT TO THE FARMVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Mr. Wilson's term on the Commission will expire on February 28, 2012. Planning Commission terms are for four (4) years. Mr. Wilson has expressed an interest in continuing to serve. Council will need to reappoint Mr. Wilson.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

Mr. Spates reported or updated Council on the following matters:

- Local Government Day, February 9, 2012 – contact office for registration

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- The Marines will be training again this year in Farmville, arriving on Tuesday, January 10. They will be using the facilities at Mottley Lake and the Farmville Regional Airport. A community day is planned for Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the Airport.
- Discussions took place regarding redistricting and the possibility of having to postpone the May Council elections.
- Members were updated on the Milnwood Road and Streetscape II projects.
- Conversations took place on sign ordinance violations – Council directed the Town Manager to move forward with enforcing the sign ordinance.
- The Town will be receiving a grant award. The funds are to be used to purchase new computers for the Treasurer’s Office and one new vehicle for the Police Department. There is a 45% Town match required.
- Members discussions Cobblestones on Main Street

**CLOSED SESSION - CODE OF VIRGINIA SECTION 2.2-3711.A.3 FOR THE DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF THE DISPOSITION OF PUBLICLY HELD PROPERTY**

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Hunter, and with all Council members voting “aye”, Council went into closed session pursuant to **Section 2.2-3711.A.3** of the *Code of Virginia* for discussion or consideration of the disposition of publicly held real property.

On motion by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Reid, and with all Council members voting “aye”, Council returned to the regular order of business.

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Farmville Town Council has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Farmville Town Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Farmville Town Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Farmville Town Council.

VOTE: 6 “Ayes”, 0 “Noes”

MOTION: Gordon      SECOND: Reid

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AYES: Whitus, Hunter, Thompson, Pairet, Reid and Gordon

NOES: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: Overton

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Clerk

There being no other business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 12:15 pm.

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Mayor S.C. Newman Jr.

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Lisa M. Hricko, Clerk