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Regular Council Meeting
November 12, 2024,

The Appomattox Town Council held a Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Appomattox Municipal Building, 210 Linden Street, Appomattox, Virginia with Mayor Conner, presiding.

Members present: Jane T. Allen, James J. Boyce, Sr., Mary Lou G. Spiggle, Nathan Simpson and Timothy W. Garrett

Members absent: Claudia G. Puckette

Others: Carlton Duck, Alive Media; Rob Fowler, Interim Town Manager, Chris Hodges, Addie Marks, Jessica Pack and Lynn Adam.

Mayor Conner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Reverend Duck led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Conner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Scheduled Public Appearances:

Mayor Conner read the following proclamation recognizing November 10-16, 2024, as Nurse Practitioner Week.

Nurse Practitioner Week

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) are advanced practice registered nurses who have master's and often doctorate degrees, as well as extensive clinical training in the diagnosis and management of common and complex medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty care services while focusing on health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, as well as guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day; and

WHEREAS, NPs work to expand access to care in underserved communities and reduce health care disparities; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 355,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, and more than 15,000 licensed NPs in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than one billion visits made annually to nurse practitioners across the country.

WHEREAS, more than five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by NPs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard Conner as Mayor of the Town of Appomattox, do hereby recognize November 10-16, 2024, as **NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK** and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Richard C. Conner, Mayor, Town of Appomattox

Citizen Comment: None

Adoption of the Consent Agenda-November 12, 2024

On a motion by Ms. Spiggle, seconded by Mr. Garrett, the Council voted to adopt the consent agenda for October 15, 2024, Regular Meeting and October 29, 2024, Workshop Meeting. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Resolution for the abandonment of FR-1018

On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Garrett, the Council voted to adopt a Resolution of the Appomattox Town Council for the abandonment of FR-1018.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it appears to this Town Council that Frontage Road FR-1018 ("FR-1018"), being 0.04 mile in length from its intersection with Oakleigh Avenue in the Town of Appomattox, as more particularly depicted on the attached aerial photograph and diagram provided by the Virginia Department of Transportation, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as a part of the system of state roadways; and

WHEREAS, the only property owner with real property adjoining FR-1018 is Jamerson Real Estate, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, Jamerson Real Estate, Inc. has requested the abandonment of FR-1018; and,

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WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation has requested that this Town Council forward its support of such abandonment to the Appomattox Residency Administrator Robert Brown; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that the abandonment of FR-1018 is in the public interest; pursuant to §33.2-909 Code of Virginia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the Town Council supports the abandonment of FR-1018, being 0.04 mile in length from its intersection with Oakleigh Avenue in the Town of Appomattox, as more particularly depicted on the attached aerial photograph and diagram provided by the Virginia Department of Transportation, and respectfully requests that the Virginia Department of Transportation take such steps as it deems necessary to abandon FR-1018.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Robert Brown, Appomattox Residency Administrator, Virginia Department of Transportation, 331 Ferguson Street, Appomattox, Virginia, 24522.

The vote was: Aye: 5
Nay: 0
Absent: 1

Testee: _____

Town Manager's Report:

Rob Fowler, Interim Town Manager, gave a verbal report.

The Lee Grant Project is currently under BID with meetings set up for November 20th as a pre-bid meeting, December 11th as a bid meeting and December 18, 2024 for the report. The council requested that an update be provided to citizens adjacent to the project area.

Council Standing Committee Reports

Appomattox Centennial Commission committee members provided an update from the meeting held on November 7, 2024. Committee minutes are on file.

Council Comments

Ms. Spiggle- Please be in prayer for Mrs. Hinkle who is in the hospital after a fall from a horse.

Mr. Simpson- stated that the remaining reels containing the minutes for the Town of Appomattox are being submitted for digitizing. I have been able to convert some of the pdf images into plain text which allows it to be searchable.

Mr. Garrett- none

Mr. Boyce- none

Mrs. Allen-none

Closed Session:

On a motion by Mr. Boyce, seconded by Ms. Spiggle, the Council voted to convene in Closed Session, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)1, for the purpose of discussing prospective candidates for employment, specifically being vacancy A.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Allen – yes, Boyce – yes, Garrett – yes, Puckette – yes, Spiggle – yes, Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was re-opened to the public.

Council Member Boyce made the following motion:

To the best of each member’s knowledge, the only subjects just discussed or considered in the preceding closed meetings were those: (i) lawfully exempted from the FOIA Act’s open-meeting requirements and (ii) properly identified in the motion that convened the closed meetings, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)1.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Allen and Council by the following recorded vote adopted the motion:

ROLL CALL VOTE: Allen – yes, Boyce – yes, Garrett – yes, Simpson – yes, Spiggle-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Mr. Garrett, seconded by Mrs. Allen, the Council voted to adjourn at 7:30 pm. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Cindy Miller
Deputy Town Clerk

Richard C. Conner
Mayor