# TOWN OF BOWLING GREEN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### MINUTES

Thursday, February 06, 2020 7:00 PM

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM ESTABLISHED:**

The Mayor call the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

**PRESENT** 

Mayor Jason Satterwhite

Vice-Mayor Glenn McDearmon

Council Member Valarie Coyle

Council Member Jean Davis

Council Member Mark Gaines

**Council Member Tammie Gaines** 

Council Member Deborah Howard

Council Member Otis Wright

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**O-2020-001 – Ordinance giving Town Manager Authority to regulate parking** - The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 pm and read the notice that was published in the Free Lance Star Newspaper on January 21 and January 28, 2020. He explained that the ordinance would add <u>Section 4-411 Restricted and no-parking area generally; Powers of Town Manager to Town Code</u>. The Mayor invited the public to comment on the matter.

There were no public comments.

Decision on the matter was moved to New Business.

#### **DELEGATIONS:**

<u>Bowling Green Farmers Market Group</u> - Stephen Manster, manager of the farmers' market, accompanied by Cheryl English, Karen Tignor, and Emily Schantz, informed Council that the farmers' market would be hosting Mayberry Days on April 25th which would include an expanded farmers' market, flea market, and craft and food vendors. The group asked Council to consider a monetary donation to cover the cost of port-a-potty rental for Mayberry Days and the farmers' market season.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Seconded by Council Member T. Gaines to make a monetary donation of up to \$700 to cover the cost of port-a-potties for the Mayberry Days event and Farmers' Market season.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor McDearmon, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member Gaines, Council Member Gaines, Council Member Wright.

Motion passed.

<u>Jessie Rollins, Caroline Complete Count Census 2020 Committee Chairperson</u> - Ms. Rollins shared information about the upcoming census and asked Council and staff to help spread the word about the 2020 Census.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

#### **STAFF REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS:**

The following staff reports were presented to Council:

Bowling Green Police Monthly Report to Council January 2020

Public Works and Utilities Monthly Report to Council January 2020

Events & Economic Dev. Coordinator Council Monthly Report for January 2020

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Monthly Report to Council January 2020

Town Manager's Monthly Report to Council January 2020

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

The following items were presented to Council:

January 2020 Bills (attached to these minutes)

Minutes - December 2, 2019 Special Town Council Meeting

Minutes - January 2, 2020 Town Council Meeting

Authorize Town Manager to submit application for Wellhead Protection Grant to Virginia Department of Health

Approval of amended job description - WWTP Operator III

January 2020 Bills and Minutes – January 2, 2020 Town Council Meeting were pulled for further discussion.

Motion made by Vice Mayor M. Gaines, Seconded by Council Member T. Gaines to approve Consent Agenda items: Minutes – December 2, 2019 Special Town Council Meeting, Authorize Town Manager to submit application for Wellhead Protection Grant to Virginia Department of Health, and Approval of amended job description - WWTP Operator III.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member T. Gaines, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright.

Motion passed.

Upon discussion of court appointed attorney fees that appeared in the January 2020 bills, motion was made by Council Member T. Gaines, Seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the January 2020 bills.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member T. Gaines, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright.

Motion passed.

Upon discussion of the representation in the minutes of how Council Member Wright's participation in closed session at the January 2, 2020 Council meeting ended, motion was made by Vice Mayor M.

Gaines, Seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the January 2, 2020 Town Council Meeting Minutes.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright.

Voting Nay: Council Member T. Gaines

Motion passed.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Consideration of EDA Appointment -** The Mayor recommended Daniel Webb for appointment to the Economic Development Authority. Council Member McDearmon stated the EDA supported the recommendation.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor McDearmon, Seconded by Council Member Davis to appoint Daniel Webb to the Economic Development Authority for a term commencing immeadiately and expiring October 31, 2023.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member T. Gaines, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright.

Motion passed.

### O-2020-001 - Ordinance giving Town Manager Authority to regulate parking -

Motion made by Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Seconded by Council Member Wright to adopt <u>O-2020-001 - Ordinance giving Town Manager Authority to regulate parking</u>.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member T. Gaines, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Code of Ethics -** The Town Attorney presented a draft Code of Ethics to Council. Upon discussion Council directed staff to revise the Code of Ethics to include:

repercussions for violating of the code of ethics

procedures for review of alleged violations

procedure for reporting possible violation

The Town Attorney stated that she would present a revised draft to Council at the March meeting for approval.

Council member T. Gaines handed each Council member a printed email that had been sent by Council member Howard. The email addressed concerns about closed meeting discussion from the January 2, 2020 Town Council meeting being discussed by person(s) that were in the closed meeting. A discussion ensued. The Town Attorney advised Council the Virginia Freedom of Information act does not require confidentiality in closed session but some matters, such as those pertaining to personnel, may have separate legal provisions that require confidentiality.

#### **Amended Budget Meeting Schedule**

Motion made by Council Member McDearmon, Seconded by Council Member Howard to adopt the Town Manager's revised budget schedule.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member McDearmon, Council Member T. Gaines, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright.

Motion passed.

### Review of ZP-2018-010 Magnolia Morning / Small Intimate Weddings

Motion made by Council Member McDearmon, Seconded by Council Member Wright to set a Public Hearing to review ZP-2018-010 - Special Use Permit for Magnolia Morning Suite to perform weddings at the bed and breakfast, and authorize the Town Manger to advertise for the Public Hearing. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor McDearmon, Council Member Coyle, Council Member Davis, Council Member Howard, Council Member Wright

Voting Abstaining: Vice Mayor M. Gaines, Council Member T. Gaines. (owners and applicants of the SUP to be reviewed)

#### REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES/MEMBER COMMENTS:

<u>Council member T. Gaines</u> – on behalf of the Utilities, Streets, Sidewalks, and Facilities Committee she announced that the Utilities Department is close to having a fully licensed staff.

<u>Council member Howard</u> - stated that the Budget, Policy, Ordinance, and Personnel Committee discussed auxiliary police, Dorsey Ln sewer lines, and the FY2021 budget at their last meeting.

<u>Council member Davis</u> – stated that the EDA voted to suspend its facade improvement grant to conserve EDA funds.

Vice-Mayor M. Gaines - had no comment.

<u>Council member Wright</u> - stated that the Utilities, Streets, Sidewalks, and Facilities Committee met with the Town Manager and had a very productive meeting.

<u>Council member McDearmon</u> - stated that the EDA had a lot of positive things going on and that he was excited to have Dan Webb on the board. He said that the EDA Coordinator was doing a great job and was working on posting updated minutes on the Town's website. Council member T. Gaines questioned whether the EDA received and compensation from the performance bond that was issued on the Rte. 301 property. Council member McDearmon stated that the EDA received the property back free and clear when the developer defaulted on the contract.

<u>Council member Coyle</u> – stated that the Planning Commission met and re-elected Jeff Voit as Chairperson. She said that the Planning Commission is working with the George Washington Regional Commission on the Comprehensive Plan Review and a VDOT Smart Scale Application.

Mayor Satterwhite - had no comment.

# **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

The following informational items were noted:

Corrected Planning Commission Schedule

Invitation to Grand Opening for Artism by Joey

SEN-2020-001 - Mayberry Days

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion made by Vice-Mayor M.Gaines, Seconded by Council member Howard to adjourn.

Voting Yea: M. Gaines, Howard, Davis, T. Gaines, Wright, McDearmon, Coyle.

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