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PRESS RELEASE

Vinton Honors Retiring Clerk and Welcomes New Staff Member

VINTON, VA -- 1/23/2023 – The Town of Vinton says goodbye to Executive Assistant and Town Clerk, Susan Johnson, as she prepares for retirement from the Town. Johnson has been employed by The Town of Vinton and served in the Town Manager’s Office since 2011. Johnson’s expertise in governmental functions and management has been invaluable to the Town for over a decade and will be missed. Johnson’s primary function was to directly support Town Council and Administration to conduct daily business activities and the production and official record keeping for Town Council meetings, although she also assisted other departments in various capacities.

Prior to joining the Town of Vinton, Johnson served as the Administrative Office Associate and then as the Executive Services Coordinator/Clerk for the City of Martinsville from 1995 – 2007. She also spent 17 years with a private law firm in Martinsville and four years in the City of Roanoke Attorney’s Office. Johnson will officially retire on January 31 of this year.

“I have been blessed to have spent the last 11 and a half years of my local government career with the Town of Vinton. It is nice to be retiring from the Town at a point where the future is bright and the vision, hard work, and compassion for this community and its citizens is finally making Vinton the IN place to be” said Susan Johnson.

In preparation for Johnson’s retirement, the Town is pleased to welcome Antonia Arias-Magallon as the new Administrative Manager. Arias-Magallon joins Vinton from Glendale, Missouri where she served as the Assistant to the City Administrator. Her expansive responsibilities with Glendale included accounts payable management, preparing Requests for Proposals, managing events for residents, and much more. She officially began with the Town on January 23 and will continue many of the responsibilities of Johnson’s as well as assume new roles in the position.

“Susan’s passion for public service and her dedication to the Town of Vinton will be sorely missed by our employees and partners, alike,” said Richard Peters, Vinton Town Manager. “Though we will miss her presence, we are happy she is able to retire on her terms and we are excited to welcome Antonia to the Vinton team. Antonia comes to Vinton with an enthusiasm for local government and an impressive résumé that will serve the Town well.”

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