

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF VINTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT 6:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VINTON MUNICIPAL BUILDING LOCATED AT 311 SOUTH POLLARD STREET, VINTON, VIRGINIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bradley E. Grose, Mayor
Michael W. Stovall, Vice Mayor
Keith N. Liles
Sabrina McCarty
Laurie J. Mullins

STAFF PRESENT: Pete Peters, Town Manager
Cody Sexton, Assistant Town Manager
Susan N. Johnson, Executive Assistant/Town Clerk
Jeremy Carroll, Town Attorney
Fabricio Drumond, Police Chief
Andrew Keen, Finance Director
Tim Lawless, Deputy Police Chief
Donna Collins, Human Resources/Risk Management Director
Anita McMillan, Planning & Zoning Director
Bo Herndon, Public Works Director
Chasity Barbour, Community Programs Director
Marshall Stanley, Economic Development Specialist

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Town Clerk called the roll with Council Member Liles, Council Member McCarty, Council Member Mullins, Vice Mayor Stovall and Mayor Grose present.

Roll call

After a Moment of Silence, Susan Johnson, Town Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

Under upcoming community events/ announcements, Council Member McCarty announced the following: January 20 – The Ryan Greer Band; January 21 – The Worx Band; January 27 – Travis Reigh Duo Band and January 28 – Craig Vaughn Band – all at 8:00 p.m. at Rosie’s; every Saturday – 10:45 a.m.-12 Noon – Show on Ice and weekdays – 1:00-3:30 p.m. – Open Skate – Lancer Lot and every Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. – Bingo; every Thursday – 6:30 p.m. – Trivia – every Friday and Saturday night – Live Music - Twin Creeks Brewery.

Council Member Liles made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; the motion was seconded by Council Member Mullins and carried by the following vote, with all members voting: Vote 5-0; Yeas (5) – Liles, McCarty, Mullins, Stovall, Grose; Nays (0) – None.

Approved minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 3, 2023

Under awards, introductions, presentations and proclamations, the next item on the agenda was the recognition of Susan N. Johnson, Executive Assistant/Town Clerk in her retirement. Council Members and the Mayor made comments followed by comments from Cora Beth Akers, daughter; the Town Manager and Randy Layman. The Mayor next presented Ms. Johnson will a framed certificate and gift after which Ms. Johnson made comments.

The next item on the agenda was the recognition of Cody Sexton for The Roanoker 40 under 40 for 2023. The Town Manager made comments and congratulated Mr. Sexton on this achievement.

The next item on the agenda was the recognition of Chasity Barbour for completion of the Smith Mountain Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy for 2022. The Town Manager made comments and congratulated Ms. Barbour on her achievement.

The next item on the agenda was the Roanoke Valley Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution NexTrex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge. Cindy Higgins first made comments on the Trex Company and their program to use recycled plastic film and reclaimed wood to create low-maintenance composite decking. Ms. Higgins then turned the meeting over to Sharon Menzies, the Chair of the Recycling Program.

Ms. Menzies first expressed appreciation to the Town Manager for helping to launch the Vinton participation of the Community Service Project and commented that the Town Manager put her in contact with Mike Maust of Precision Fabric Group and Bonnie Fielder who coordinated the entire six-month collection pick-up of 2,296 pounds of soft plastic. Ms. Menzies and her husband, Gordon, picked up about 350 pounds at a time with their own vehicles. Collection containers were placed at both the Vinton Municipal Building and the Community Center and 733 pounds of plastic were collected from these two sites. Ms. Higgins collected an additional 400 pounds from friends and colleagues in Botetourt where she is a teacher. In agreement with Trex, the Food Lion of Vinton and Blue Ridge provided the location to recycle the plastic. The benches are being presented to the Town for community use and the first bench is slated to be placed at Tinker Creek Greenway near Precision Fabric Group.

Ms. Higgins next commented that two benches are being presented to the Town tonight, one of which was on display at the meeting. Plaques have been ordered to place on each bench to acknowledge the cooperation of the Town, Food Lion and Precision Fabric Group. The Town will be receiving a total of six benches (one bench for every 500 pounds), but only one bench can be ordered very six months. The third one was ordered this weekend. The Town Manager commented there will be a dedication ceremony at the site of the first bench.

The next item on the agenda was the Community Development Update. Marshall Stanley reviewed a PowerPoint presentation, which will be on file in the Town Clerk's Office as part of the permanent record. After comments from the Mayor on the successes of 2022 and the valuable information the presentation will provide to citizens, he requested that the presentation be put on the Town's website. The Town Manager responded it can be placed in the highlights section and this presentation is also a prelude to the State of the Town address that will be in April.

The next item on the agenda was the Police Department 2nd Quarter Report. Chief Drumond commented that he wants to give a yearly report at a future meeting to include much more in-depth information. Chief Drumond then turned the meeting over to Deputy Chief Lawless, who reviewed a PowerPoint presentation, which will be on file in the Town Clerk's Office as part of the permanent record.

At the request of the Mayor, the Town Manager introduced Matthew Moore, an intern from James Madison University, who is studying Public Policy Administration.

The next item on the agenda was to consider adoption of a Resolution accepting the permanent sign easements and temporary construction easements from St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church and Roanoke County School, located in the Town of Vinton, and authorizing the Town Manager to execute the necessary deed of easements documents for the Hardy Road Crosswalk Project. Anita McMillan commented on the easements needed for the project and expressed appreciation to St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church and Roanoke County Schools.

Adopted Resolution No. 2531 accepting the permanent sign easements and temporary construction easements from

Vice Mayor Stovall made a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented; the motion was seconded by Council Member McCarty and carried by the following roll call vote, with all members voting: Vote 5-0; Yeas (5) – Liles, McCarty, Mullins, Stovall, Grose; Nays (0) – None.

The next item on the agenda was to consider adoption of a Resolution accepting permanent stream restoration easements; permanent access easement; and temporary grading and construction easements from Woodland Event Center, LLC and Shirley M. Jones, located in the Town of Vinton, and authorizing the Town Manager to execute the necessary deed of easement documents for the Woodland Place Stream Restoration Project. Anita McMillan commented on the easements needed for the project and expressed appreciation to the Woodland Event Center, LLT and Shirley M. Jones. This project will not only help the property owners with their drainage issues, it will also help Niagara Road and will allow the Town to meet its Municipal Storm Water Permit requirements by removing a lot of the pollutants once the project is completed.

Council Member Mullins made a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented; the motion was seconded by Council Member Liles and carried by the following roll call vote, with all members voting: Vote 5-0; Yeas (5) – Liles, McCarty, Mullins, Stovall, Grose; Nays (0) – None.

The Town Manager expressed appreciation to Anita McMillan for her work on these projects and along with five other construction projects. The Town Manager next gave an update on the Garthright Bridge repair and commented that the Walnut Avenue project will begin to shut down for the next couple of months due to the winter not allowing the contractor to do concrete and asphalt. The East Cleveland Avenue waterline replacement is underway and will take approximately two months. This project will involve the main line as well as all of the service laterals to the homes. Town Staff worked with the Western Virginia Water Authority to prioritize what capital improvement projects the Town would like to see them tackle and this was one of those. The Lindenwood replacement is another project that they are about to begin and part of our transfer of the Utility System provided some funding through ARPA for the Lindenwood project, which is over \$5 million. The Town Manager also expressed appreciation to

St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church and Roanoke County School, located in the Town of Vinton, and authorizing the Town Manager to execute the necessary deed of easements documents for the Hardy Road Crosswalk Project

Adopted Resolution No. 2532 accepting the permanent sign easements and temporary construction easements from St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church and Roanoke County School, located in the Town of Vinton, and authorizing the Town Manager to execute the necessary deed of easements documents for the Hardy Road Crosswalk Project

Cindy Higgins and Sharon Menzies on the success of the NexTrex Recycling Project.

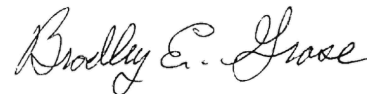
Council Members commented on the Trex bench, the Town Clerk's retirement and the recognition of Cody Sexton and Chasity Barbour. Vice Mayor Stovall also commented on the passing of Becky Miller, a former dispatcher.

The Mayor commented on the Town Clerk's retirement, the recognition of Cody Sexton and Chasity Barbour and the regular meeting that he and the Town Manager had with the Roanoke County Administrator and the Town's Board representative.

Council Member Liles made a motion to the meeting; the motion was seconded by Council Member McCarty and carried by the following vote, with all members voting: Vote 5-0; Yeas (45 – Liles, McCarty, Mullins, Stovall, Grose; Nays (0) – None. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned

APPROVED:



Bradley E. Grose, Mayor

ATTEST:



Richard W. Peters Jr, Town Clerk