

**Hamilton Town Council Public Hearing
May 10, 2010
Hamilton Town Office**

The hearing was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor H. Ray Whitbey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by Roll Call.

Present: Mayor H. Ray Whitbey, Vice Mayor John Unger, Mr. Greg Wilmoth, Mr. Michael Snyder,
Mr. Tom Rollins, Mr. Ken Wine and Mr. Brent Campbell.

Also present: Mr. Robert McCann, Planning Commission Chairman
Ms. Lori Jones, Treasurer
Ms. Maureen Gilmore, Town Attorney
Mr. David Beniamino, Zoning Administrator

Mayor Whitbey read the advertisement for the Public Hearing regarding the VRA Water Bond Refinancing: The Town Council of the Town of Hamilton will hold a public hearing at the Hamilton Town Office, 53 E. Colonial Highway, Hamilton, Virginia, on Monday, May 10, 2010, beginning at 7:00 pm to consider and receive comment on the proposed issuance of general obligation refunding bonds of the Town in the estimated maximum principal amount of \$1,210,000. The purpose of the proposed bonds is to refinance the Town's outstanding General Obligation Water Bond, Series 2002A. Copies of the proposed refunding documents are available for review at the Hamilton Town Office between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, holidays excepted. The regular Hamilton Town Council meeting will begin immediately following the public hearings.

Mr. Unger explained that the proposed bond refinance is similar in process to when a home or property is refinanced. Mr. Unger also advised that the proposed refinance will result in an estimated cost savings of \$73,000.00 to the Town.

Public Comment: none

The hearing was closed at 7:07 PM.

Mayor Whitbey read the advertisement for the hearing on Water & Sewer Availability and Connection Fee Ordinance Changes: The Town of Hamilton will hold a public hearing at the Hamilton Town Office, 53 E. Colonial Highway, Hamilton, Virginia on Monday, May 10, 2010, beginning at 7:00 pm to consider and receive comment on amendments to the Codified Ordinances of the Town of Hamilton Water Ordinance Chapter 4, Article II, Sections 2-6, 2-7, and 2-9, and Sewer Ordinance Chapter 5, Article III, Section 19-12, to adopt schedules that establish water and sewer availability and connection fees set by the Town Council that may be amended from time to time and are incorporated by reference into the Ordinances. The adoption of the following water and sewer availability and connection fees to be contained on the schedules, will also be considered. The changes are being considered based on the costs of providing water and sewer capacity. Copies of the proposed fee changes are available for review at the Hamilton Town Office between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, holidays excepted. The authority for the adoption of changes to the water and sewer fees is contained in Code of Virginia of 1950, Sections 15.2-2111 and -2119, as amended. The regular Hamilton Town Council meeting will begin immediately following the public hearing.

Public Comment

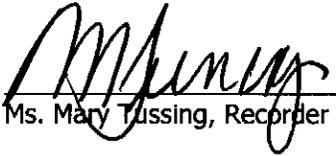
Ms. Dale Myers, 43679 Hay Road, representing Carrington Homes, recently submitted applications for sewer connections at 119 N. Ivandale and 123 N. Ivandale. The approval was granted and the fee of \$25,000.00/per application was paid at the time the application was submitted. If the proposed ordinance on sewer availability and connection fee change passes, Ms. Myers is requesting that the difference in fee be refunded to since it was just a month ago that the applications were submitted, approved and the fee was paid.

Ms. Shirley Pearson, Leesburg, is requesting to remove a trailer from lot 3 and place a new trailer that is 2' wider in the new lot 3, as proposed on a diagram that was distributed to the Council for review. The old lot 3 would remain as open space and the old lot number would be eliminated and there would not be an increase in the total number of lots on the property. Ms. Pearson was advised that this could be discussed in the regular meeting since it is not applicable to the public hearing subject matter.

Mr. Craig Greene, 155 E. Colonial Hgwy, asked why the Water & Sewer availability/connection fees are being reduced when the Town Budget indicates a need for the additional revenue. Mr. Unger advised that the revenue from these fees do not go into the budget but go toward the C.I.P. Mr. Unger also stated the current fees were derived from data that was not very accurate, did not reflect the actual costs and is more defensible if questioned. The new fees were determined by data presented in a recent study, which was performed by Municipal & Financial Services Group, LLC.

The hearing was closed at 7:17 PM.


Mayor H. Ray Whitbey


Ms. Mary Tussing, Recorder