

**MINUTES
HAMILTON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Wilmoth called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00PM.

The Public Hearing of the Hamilton Town Council was convened at 7:00 PM with the following attendance:

PRESENT: Greg K. Wilmoth, Mayor
Kenneth C. Wine, Vice Mayor
Dimitri Kesari, Council member
John Unger, Council member
David R. Simpson, Council member
Brent Campbell, Council member

ABSENT: Michael Snyder, Council member

STAFF: Maureen Gilmore, Town Attorney
Jennifer Helbert, Recorder
Lori Jones, Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) Town of Hamilton Zoning Ordinance Public Hearing

Tom Gatewood of 312 Orchard Circle came forward to speak. Mr. Gatewood stated that he is here as a resident, a former Chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals and a member of Harmony United Methodist Church. He stated that he supports the changes, specifically that change of the category for the Church.

Council member Kesari made a motion to recess the public hearing.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Simpson
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

CALL TO ORDER:

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GUESTS:

Joseph Donofrio came forward to speak about the luminaries. He stated that he wanted to thank the Town Council for all of their support of his efforts in this project.

Carried Michon came forward to speak about the Hamilton Day Parade. She stated that the parade will be held on April 26, 2014 and the activities after the parade will be at Hamilton Elementary School. She stated that she is working with a group that would like to revive the race and will get back with the Council when she has a confirmation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the minutes of December 9, 2013 as amended.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Campbell
Carried: 6-0-1 and Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye

Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Kotecki Property – Mayor Wilmoth stated that he had a call from them about two weeks ago about someone trespassing on the Town property. The Mayor put up no trespassing signs the next day. The property owner stated that they had not seen another else since the signs were put up. He stated that in speaking with the property owner she is shying away from putting up a fence.

VML Inspection – Mayor Wilmoth stated that there was a VML Inspection done today which was an asset inspection at the Harmony Water Plant and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He indicated it was more like an audit to make sure everything was on file.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE:

Meter Reading Equipment Mayor Wilmoth stated that the equipment is not installed yet they are trying to interface with the software company to get everything set up.

Weather Related Water & Sewer Issues – Mayor Wilmoth stated that it got really cold last week and they got a lot of alarms and false readings but when he went and checked on everything it was fine there were just some transducers that were frozen but there was no disruption of service.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

None Scheduled

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Monthly Treasurer's Report – Ms. Jones issued the January Treasurer's reports to the Council and answered any questions that they had about the reports.

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Campbell
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye

Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

Virginia Investment Pool Briefing –Ms. Jones gave a brief report to the Town Council regarding her meeting on Thursday.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Ms. Jones stated that mid to late February the Council will be looking at a schedule for the budget.

PUBLIC SAFETY & ZONING ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE:

None Scheduled

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

None Scheduled

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Chairman McCann stated that they have their first meeting of the year on Wednesday and they will be looking at the Land Development and Subdivision Control Ordinance to see where they will need to make changes to bring it in line with the Zoning Ordinance. He also indicated that there will be a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting on January 29, 2014, which will just be an organizational meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Utility Services and the Harmony Water Tower Maintenance Contract – Mayor Wilmoth stated that he had a meeting with Brad Brown and the Mayor is now waiting to hear back from Brad Brown. He thought he might have been at the meeting tonight but it does not seem he was available to make it.

Planning Commission Vacancy – Unexpired term through July 2015.

2013-0014 & SPMI 2013-0003 Kidtime Daycare, LLC – Mr. Beniamino stated that he attended the Loudoun County Planning Commission meeting for this application and expressed the Hamilton Town Council’s desire for a traffic study to be done. He was told at the meeting that the County would not require the applicant to have a study done.

The Town Council stated that they would like to have a sidewalk in front of the building to meet up with the other sidewalk.

Mr. Beniamino stated that he would be attending the public hearing for this item as well.

124 Delaware Property Lien Update – Ms. Jones stated that this item is just an update for the Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2014-01- Adopting Amendments to the Town of Hamilton, Virginia Zoning Ordinance.

Council member Kesari made a motion to amend the agenda and move this item to the end of new business.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Simpson
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

Sewer Loan – New Maturity Date for Payoff due to Principal Payment – Ms. Jones gave an update to the Town Council regarding this item. Ms. Jones stated that they now have a shorter term on the loan and it should be paid off by 2015.

Snow /Ice Removal from Sidewalks – Mayor Wilmoth stated that the Town has been having an issue with residents removing snow/ice from the sidewalks in front of their property. Ms. Gilmore stated that the Town does have a lot clearance ordinance in the Town but it does not address snow and ice, however the enabling legislation does allow the Town to go in and remove snow and ice and charge the homeowner. The Council can also amend the ordinance to add snow and ice but they do not need to have an ordinance in place to enforce the removal of snow and ice.

The Council decided to keep things the way they are and just send out memos to the homeowners asking that they help out the Town.

Spring 2014 Clean-up Day – Mayor Wilmoth stated that he would talk with Carrie Michon and map out a day and time for the Boy Scouts to do the clean up.

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Mayor Wilmoth stated that he has two sewer applications that came in late he would like to bring to Council for action.

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the Sewer application for availability for 14 Ladysmith Court.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Campbell
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the Sewer application for availability for 17 Ladysmith Court.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Simpson
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

Council member Kesari made a motion to close the public hearing.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Simpson
Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye

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Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

Resolution 2014-01- Adopting Amendments to the Town of Hamilton, Virginia Zoning Ordinance.

Council member Kesari made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-01 adopting amendments to the Town of Hamilton, Virginia Zoning Ordinance.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Vice Mayor Wine

Council member Kesari offered an amendment to the motion to reflect the change that Article 9, Section 1.2 landscape screening and open space regulations would not apply to all Zoning Permit Application but would apply to Site Plan Amendment.

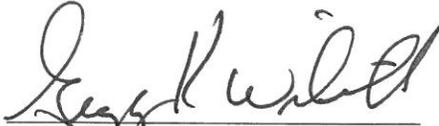
Vice Mayor Wine accepted the amendment.

Carried: 6-0-1 with Snyder absent

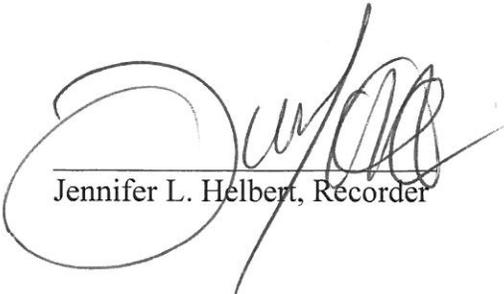
Wilmoth - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Simpson - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent
Wine - Aye

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.



Greg Wilmoth, Mayor



Jennifer L. Helbert, Recorder