

**MINUTES
HAMILTON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Simpson called to order the regular meeting of the Hamilton Town Council at 7:00PM.

TOWN COUNCIL

PRESENT: David R. Simpson, Mayor
Kenneth C. Wine, Vice Mayor
Brent Campbell, Council member
John Unger, Council member
Michael Snyder, Council member – Late
Craig Green, Council member - Late
Dimitri Kesari, Council member - Late

STAFF: Maureen Gilmore, Town Attorney
Lori Jones, Treasurer
Daniel Galindo, Zoning Administrator
Jennifer Helbert, Recorder

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None Scheduled

GUESTS:

Carrie Michon came forward to speak. Ms. Michon stated wanted to thank Council member Green for his willingness to speak to the County regarding keeping Hamilton Elementary School open. She indicated that she is also working towards having a Scout to head up luminaries. She stated that she will also return with a date to propose to the Council for Hamilton Day next year.

Isaac Peterson stated that he is Scout in Troop 953 and he is here for two reasons, one is to fulfill a Merit Badge requirement and also to ask if there are any service projects he can do that will fulfill the requirements for an Eagle Scout project.

Mayor Simpson stated that Mr. Peterson should give his information to Town staff and they will contact him when a project becomes available.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the minutes of October 20, 2014 as amended.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Vice Mayor Wine
Carried: 6-0-1

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Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent (Late)
Wine - Aye

Council member Kesari made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 28, 2014 as amended.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Unger
Carried: 6-0-1

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Absent (Late)
Wine - Aye

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Utility Pole Update – Mayor Simpson stated that he has moved forward with the moving of the utility pole and it appears that it will take place within six to eight weeks. He stated that he is still in discussions about the cost and is therefore not sure what the total will be at this time. He stated that Loudoun County has spoken with Virginia Dominion Power about the cost to the Town and he is speaking with them as well. Regardless of cost the pole is going to be moved.

New Town Truck – Mayor Simpson indicated that the new Town truck has arrived and is in service, however the lights have not yet been added.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE:

None Scheduled

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Vice Mayor Wine stated that the Scouts were at the park a couple of weeks ago and cleaned it up really well. He also stated that the tire swing is now back up.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

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Council member Kesari made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Motion: Council member Kesari
Second: Council member Snyder
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

None Scheduled

PUBLIC SAFETY & ZONING ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE:

Sidewalk Grants Status – Ms. Jones stated that the grant was emailed it on October 30th and hard copies were received on the 31st.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Part Time Plant Personnel – Mayor Simpson stated that one of the current Town employees is on an extended leave. Mayor Simpson stated that Les Moorefield who was with Loudoun Water and is a highly trained engineer would like to come in and work for the Town one weekend a month or when we need help and the Mayor would like the Council's permission to move forward with bringing him on board on a part-time basis.

Council member Unger made a motion to authorize the Mayor to discuss a temporary position with the Town with Les Moorefield.

Motion: Council member Unger
Second: Council member Kesari
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mr. Galindo stated that the Town will have Verizon's final plans on Wednesday and the Planning Commission will have their public hearing on the following Wednesday. The application for cellular antenna on the S Rogers Street water tower will come before the Town Council in January.

OLD BUSINESS:

Offer to Purchase Property Adjacent to Town Park – The Town Council discussed the purchase offer. Council member Snyder made a motion to authorize the Mayor to work with the Town Attorney to make a counteroffer on the Bledsoe property referenced in the letter to the Town dated October 17, 2014.

Motion: Council member Snyder
Second: Vice Mayor Wine
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

Draft Water and Sewer Ordinance Amendments – Authorize Public Hearing for December 8, 2014 at 7:00PM

Vice Mayor Wine made a motion that the Hamilton Town Council authorize a public hearing on December 8, 2014, at 7:00 PM to consider amendments to Sewer Ordinance Article VI, Section 29-34 Use of Public Sewer System, Sewer Ordinance Article I Definitions, Sewer Ordinance Article III Section 19-15 Building Sewers and Connections, and Water Ordinance Article III, Section 3-4 Use and Service Charges.

Motion: Vice Mayor Wine
Second: Council member Kesari
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

NEW BUSINESS:

Hamilton Tree Lighting – The Hamilton Tree Lighting will take place on Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 6:45PM at the Hamilton Community Park. Refreshments to follow at the Hamilton Baptist Church.

CLOSED SESSION:

Vice Mayor Wine made a motion that the Hamilton Town Council recess its regular meeting and convene a closed session to discuss compensation of employees of the Town of Hamilton as authorized by Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) as amended. The following individuals are invited to attend the closed session:

All Town Council Members
Maureen K. Gilmore, Town Attorney

Motion: Vice Mayor Wine
Second: Council member Kesari
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

Vice Mayor Wine made a motion that the Hamilton Town Council adjourn its closed session and reconvene its regular meeting.

Motion: Vice Mayor Wine
Second: Council member Kesari
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

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Vice Mayor Wine made a motion that the Hamilton Town Council adopt Resolution No: 2014-13, to certify that while in closed session, the participants discussed only those matters for which the closed session was convened.

Motion: Vice Mayor Wine
Second: Council member Kesari
Carried: 7-0

Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

NEW BUSINESS CONT:

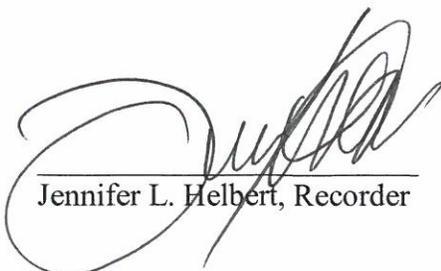
Council member Snyder made a motion that the Hamilton Town Council authorize a public hearing on December 8, 2014, at 7:00 PM to consider a budget amendment to the Town of Hamilton FY2015 Budget to include Revenue from Prior Year Surplus in the amount of \$35,000 and Expenditures to Wages, Payroll Taxes and Retirement Contributions in the amount of \$35,000.

Motion: Council member Snyder
Second: Vice Mayor Wine
Carried: 7-0

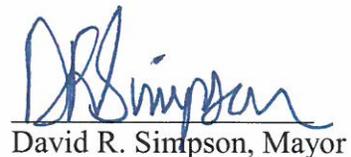
Simpson - Aye
Unger - Aye
Kesari - Aye
Green - Aye
Campbell - Aye
Snyder - Aye
Wine - Aye

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.



Jennifer L. Helbert, Recorder



David R. Simpson, Mayor