

The Town of Port Royal

Council Minutes

January 22, 2014

The Port Royal Town Council met on Tuesday, January 22, 2014 in the town chambers, there was a few moments to reflect on the passing of council member, Oliver Fortune who had recently passed away two weeks prior.

Roll was taken, members present were Mayor Long, Bill Wick, Bill Henderson, Monica Chenault. Members absent were Jim Heimbach and Della Mills.

A quorum was established.

Consent Agenda & Clerks Report: Motion was made by Bill Wick to accept the reports The motion was seconded by Bill Henderson. Motion carried.

Mayors Report:

Nancy stated that the Fire Department was having their annual awards banquet and dinner this coming Saturday.

The Mayor and council also discussed the filling of the unexpired term of Oliver Fortune. Council was asked to think of possible candidates and speak to them and have them send a letter to the town stating that they are interested in filling the seat.

The Mayor reported that she had received a call from the Water Operator requesting permission to begin taking the water samples to Mid Atlantic Lab, as there have been some inconsistencies with his samples being picked up in a timely manner. The council granted approval understanding that there would be a slight increase in the cost incurred for the samples to be tested.

The Mayor reported that the Planning Commission has been meeting regularly and are working on a community survey. Monica Chenault added that the survey is a tool to assist the PC members in understanding the communities' vision of where they would like to see the town be in the next five years.

Old Business:

JLUS - The mayor and Bill Wick attended a meeting with the town of Bowling Green, the Army Base and the County. Their next scheduled meeting is Feb. 4th at 9:00 AM in Bowling Green town hall at which time they will be meeting with the

consultants assisting with the project in an effort to have them reformat the information they have been supplied with by the committees.

King Street Project -

The Project needs an official name; therefore we will place a notice in the Post Office and on the Bulletin Board for citizens to submit their suggestions for the name of the King Street Project.

The Friends of the Rappahannock have received a grant to hire an "Project Administrator" for the King Street Project. The FOR requested Bill Wick to fill that position. The council felt he would make a great candidate since he has worked so closely already with the project.

VDOT has done a survey of the roadway leading to the bottom of King Street. The adjacent property owners (Cleopatra Coleman, and Tim and Tammy Locklerr) met with the committee and voiced their concerns. They have written a letter of concerns and grievances with respect to the project to the Marine Resources Commissions, Habitat Management Division.

Town Website: Tabled

VSMP (Virginia Storm Water Management Project):

The mayor reported that the letter of intent has been mailed and that things are moving slowly. The first meeting was January 15, 2014.

BLA (Boundary Line Adjustment):

The mayor reported that she has not heard anything further on the BLA as far as signing an agreement. She will keep council posted. Bill Wick reported that he has received back 2 (two) estimates for surveys, one in the amount of \$15,000.00- and the second one in the amount of \$18,000.00.

Study of Ordinances: Work in Process

Electronic Communication - Tabled

Employee Structure and budget outline - Tabled

New Business:

Work Sessions:

Budget: February 11, 2014

Water: March 11th, 2014

Tenative BLA update April 8th, 2014.

New Business:

Post Office:

The mayor shared some concerns with the next round of cuts for the Post Office. They may include the Port Royal Post Office. Mayor felt we need to be proactive, but at this time it is more wait and see.

Council Vacancy: Notice will be placed at the Post Office and on the Town Bulletin Board advising citizens of the council vacancy. Interested candidate must have been a resident for at least one year. Notification of interest to be considered must be in writing and delivered to the Clerks Office prior to the February Meeting.

Citizen Comment: No citizens present. (Caroline Progress Reporter was in attendance).

Hearing no comment from citizens, Motion was made by Bill Wick and seconded by Monica Chenault to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marie Therese Harrison