

A called meeting of the Haymarket Town Council was brought to order at 8:00p.m. on April 23rd, 1979 by Mayor Gilbertson. All Council members were present except Miss Smith. This meeting was called to present the proposed budget for 1979-80.

Martha Semmes of the Northern Virginia Planning Commission was also in attendance at the request of the Planning Commission. Ms. Semmes spoke to the Council with information about development of a comprehensive plan which is to be adopted by the Council by July 1, 1980.

Areas to be covered by the Comprehensive Plan are long range goals, planning for orderly development, land use objectives, transportation, historic areas, recreation areas.

Studies to be made in formulating the Comprehensive Plan include an environmental survey, housing, and population surveys, economic conditions, and a population forecast. Zoning and subdivision ordinances are the tools to implement the Comprehensive Plan.

Two public hearings are required, one held by the Planning Commission, another by the Town Council. The Comprehensive Plan must be reviewed every five years.

Ms. Semmes outlined options available for funding. There is grant money available through HUD for local planning assistance called a 701 grant. HUD provides 2/3 of the cost and the local jurisdictions provide the other 1/3 which does not have to be money. Pre-application must be made by April 30.

A second option is having the plan made by the state consulting office, the Office of Local Development Planning. Council must adopt a resolution asking for assistance from this office. The third option would be to go to a local university with a school of planning. A student would do the Comprehensive Plan without cost to the Town.

Mr. Melton made a motion to adopt the resolution drawn up asking for assistance from the Office of Local Development Planning. Mrs. Bean seconded and Council approved unanimously.

The next item of business was the budget for 1979-80. The decrease in budgeted expenditures for the Police Department was mentioned. Mrs. Gilbertson explained that the police officers have been asked to cut back on the number of hours they are working.

A public hearing was set for May 21st at 7:30p.m. to present the budget.

A Town Clean-up has been set for May 12. Council approved purchasing a case of trash bags to be given to Town citizens who participate in a roadside clean-up.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Nancy W. Sharman
Nancy W. Sharman, Clerk

Muriel Gilbertson
Muriel Gilbertson, Mayor