

TOWN OF HAYMARKET TOWN COUNCIL

CLOSED SESSION MEETING ~ MINUTES ~

Kimberly Henry, Clerk of the Council http://www.townofhaymarket.org/

15000 Washington St Haymarket, VA 20169

Monday, February 6, 2023

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

A Closed Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Haymarket, VA, was held this evening in the Council Chambers, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Mayor Kenneth Luersen called the meeting to order.

I. Call To Order

Council Member Marchant Schneider: Present, Council Member Joe Pasanello: Present, Council Member Bob Weir: Present, Vice Mayor TracyLynn Pater: Present, Council Member Mary Ramirez: Present, Council Member David M Leake: Present, Mayor Kenneth Luersen: Present.

II. Closed Session

1. Closed Session Motion

Council Member Weir moved to go into Closed Session as permitted by Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A)(8), consultation with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, relating to Prince William County solid waste management plan and TOT collections; and as permitted by Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A)(19), a matter involving Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity or specific cybersecurity threats or vulnerabilities and briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such matters or a related threat to public safety; discussion of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 2 or 14 of §2.2-3705.2, where discussion in an open meeting would jeopardize the safety of any person or security of any facility, building, structure, information technology system, or software program; or discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure. Council Member Pasanello seconded the motion. The motion carried.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

Joe Pasanello, Council Member

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Ramirez, Leake

2. Certification

Council Member Weir moved that the Council certify that, in the closed session just concluded, nothing was discussed except the matter or matters (1) specifically identified in the motion to convene in closed session and (2) lawfully permitted to be discussed in a closed session under the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act as cited in that motion. Council Member Pater seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

TracyLynn Pater, Vice Mayor

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Ramirez, Leake, Luersen

III. Recess

There was no action coming out of the Closed Session. The Town Council went into a short recess until the regular monthly meeting.



TOWN OF HAYMARKET TOWN COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING ~ MINUTES ~

Kimberly Henry, Clerk of the Council http://www.townofhaymarket.org/ 15000 Washington St Haymarket, VA 20169

Monday, February 6, 2023

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

A Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Haymarket, VA, was held this evening in the Council Chambers, commencing at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Kenneth Luersen called the meeting to order.

I. Call To Order

Council Member Ramirez joined the meeting remotely from her home.

Council Member Marchant Schneider: Late (7:10 PM), Council Member Joe Pasanello: Present, Council Member Bob Weir: Present, Vice Mayor TracyLynn Pater: Present, Council Member Mary Ramirez: Remote, Council Member David M Leake: Present, Mayor Kenneth Luersen: Present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Luersen invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Invocation: Pastor Don Meeks - Greenwich Presbyterian Church

Mayor Ken Luersen invited Don Meeks from Greenwich Presbyterian Church to the podium to give the evening's invocation. Prior to the invocation, Mr. Meeks asked that everyone keep the victims and first responders from the earthquake in Turkey in their thoughts and prayers.

After the invocation, Council Member Schneider entered the meeting.

IV. Community Spotlight: A Farm Less Ordinary - Greg Masucci

Mr. Greg Masucci, Co-Founder of a Farm Less Ordinary, was at this evening's meeting to share about his organization based out of Loudoun County, Virginia. Mr. Masucci shared that he moved his family from the Washington DC metro area to Loudoun County because of his non verbal autistic son. He said he wanted to be able to provide a safe environment for his son. He shared that he and his wife started gardening with no knowledge in how to garden. Mr. Masucci shared his story of how this concept flourished into providing other families that had children with developmental and intellectual disabilities a safe place to find work, acceptance and meaning. He shared in 2016, he and his wife launched this 501(C)3 non profit organization for these families. He shared that the farm produces organic vegetables and teaching those with disabilities life long skills. He stated that through the pandemic they suffered in being able to help and now is bouncing back through generous donations. He invited anyone interested to visit his farm and asked for any questions from Council after his brief presentation. A short discussion followed with the Mayor thanking Mr. Masucci for sharing his encouraging story.

V. Public Hearing

1. Public Notice

Town Clerk Kim Henry read the Public Notice into the record.

2. Citizen Comment

No citizens were present to address the Council on the subject of the public hearing.

VI. Close Public Hearing

With no public comment, Mayor Luersen closed the public hearing.

VII. Citizens Time

Ms. Deshundra Jefferson addressed the Town Council to share that she will be running for the Prince William Board of Supervisor Chairman seat in this years election. She shared her vision as the Chair and her plans for the County. She extended an invitation out to her meet and greet event on February 24th in Montclair as she further explains her visions for Prince William County.

VIII. Consent Agenda

Council Member Weir asked to pull the Treasurer's Report.

Council Member Weir moved to adopt the Consent Agenda items 7-A, B:1, 3-5 and C:1-5. Council Member Pater seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After the Treasurer's Report, Council Member Weir moved to adopt 7 - B:2: Treasurer's Report. Council Member Pasanello seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A. Minute Approval

1. Mayor and Council - Regular Meeting - Jan 3, 2023 7:00 PM

Council Member Weir moved to adopt the Consent Agenda items 7-A, B:1, 3-5 and C:1-5. Council Member Pater seconded the motion. The motion carried.

RESULT:

ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

TracyLynn Pater, Vice Mayor

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Ramirez, Leake

B. Department Reports

- 1. Town Administration Report
- 2. Town Treasurer Report

The subject of the Town Park building was addressed at this time. There was a question regarding the estimates to rehabilitate the building. Town Treasurer Roberto Gonzalez shared that the contractor would be providing his estimates at the next work session meeting. There was also a discussion on DMV grant processes. Mr. Gonzalez shared that he and Chief Sibert attended a virtual training session as one of the requirements for a possible reinstatement of the grant program provided by the DMV for the Police Department. He shared that if the department is re-instated he would be the administrator of the grants and Chief Sibert would be the communicator. He also stated that there would opportunities that the Town could apply for so all eligible officers can participate, if the department is re-instated in FY24. He also shared that the Chief will be notified if the department is re-instated.

Mr. Gonzalez also shared that the Robinson Village Van Metre town homes were at completion and that all proffers have been collected. He also shared that the Town will start and receive proffers on the Crossroad Village town homes soon.

There were no additional questions for Mr. Gonzalez.

- 3. Police Chief Report
- 4. Town Engineer Report
- 5. Town Attorney Report
- C. Liaison Reports
- 1. Finance Liaison Report
- 2. Business Liaison Report
- 3. Community Outreach Liaison Report
- 4. Planning Commission Liaison Report
- 5. Architectural Review Board Liaison Report

IX. Agenda Items

1. Resolution # 2023-001: Second Quarter Budget Amendment

After a short discussion on the budget amendment, Council Member Weir moved to adopt Resolution 2023-001 as presented. Vice Mayor Pater seconded the motion The motion carried by a roll call vote.

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Ramirez, Leake

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

AYES:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

TracyLynn Pater, Vice Mayor

2. Resolution #2023-002: Prince William County Solid Waste Management Plan

After a brief discussion, Council Member Weir moved to adopt Resolution #2023-002: The Prince William County Solid Waste Management Plan and direct staff to draft the Prince William County resolution with the appropriate signature. Council Member Pater seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried by a roll call vote.

At this time, Town Clerk Kim Henry informed Mayor Luersen that Council Member Ramirez left the meeting.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

TracyLynn Pater, Vice Mayor

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Leake

ABSENT:

Mary Ramirez

3. Adoption of Policies and Procedures 2023

Town Attorney Crim was asked if he was able to review the edited procedures. He stated that he did not see any reason not to adopt the policies and procedures.

With no further discussion, Council Member Weir moved to adopt the policies and procedures as amended. Council Member Pasanello seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

At this time, Attorney Crim was released from the meeting.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

Joe Pasanello, Council Member

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Leake

ABSENT:

Mary Ramirez

X. Councilmember Time

1. Vice Mayor Pater

Vice Mayor Pater thanked A Farm Less Ordinary for coming and sharing their story at this evening's meeting. Ms. Pater also shared that the Business Roundtable will hold their quarterly meeting in March. She stated that more information will be coming on that meeting. Lastly, she shared that she is starting to work on some events for the spring.

2. Council Member Weir

Council Member Weir stated that he would like to see the rear door securely fixed. He shared that the Town's charter amendment has been passed without objections through the sub committees and is heading to the State Senate floor for approval. He shared that he thought it would pass without any objections. Mr. Weir also shared of the vacancy seat on the Planning Commission. He stated that Mr. Bob Chrisman resigned from the Planning Commission because he no longer lives in the Town limits. Lastly, he reminded everyone about the special election on February 21, 2023 for the vacant PWC Board of Supervisor seat.

3. Council Member Pasanello

Council Member Pasanello also gave information on the Town Charter amendment. He also shared that he felt that it should pass the State Senate without any objections. He thanked Ms. Jefferson for coming to the evening's meeting to share her vision as a candidate for the Board of Supervisors. Lastly, he reminded everyone that the primary for the elections is June 20, 2023.

4. Council Member Schneider

Council Member Schneider thanked the staff for all their hard work. He also reminded everyone of the Special election on February 21st. He shared that early voting was taking place at the registrars office in Manassas and that Tyler Elementary would be the polling place on election day.

5. Council Member Ramirez

Town Clerk Kim Henry read into the record Council Member Ramirez's report. She stated that Ms. Ramirez would like everyone to know that St. Paul's Episcopal Church was holding a

benefit concert. All proceeds was going to the Haymarket Food Pantry. She also shared that Carried to Full Term was hosting a women's conference and that she and Vice Mayor Pater were part of the panel and was looking forward to the event.

6. Council Member Leake

Council Member Leake did not have anything to report.

7. Mayor Luersen

Mayor Luersen wished Council Member Weir good luck at the special election for the Board of Supervisor vacancy. He also shared that he would be postponing the monthly Mayor's walk until March.

XI. Adournment

With no further business before the Town Council, Council Member Weir moved to adjourn with a second by Council Member Pasanello. The motion carried.

1. Motion to Adjourn

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Bob Weir, Council Member

SECONDER:

Joe Pasanello. Council Member

AYES:

Schneider, Pasanello, Weir, Pater, Leake

ABSENT:

Mary Ramirez

Submitted:

Approved:

Kimberly Henry Clerk of the Council

Kenneth Luersen, Mayor