



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2013 – 7:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

*Welcome to the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Regular Council Meeting. We appreciate your interest and we encourage public participation in our meeting. Your comments are important to our decision making process. Please note that there will be two (2) opportunities during the meeting for you to address the Council members. The first opportunity will come when the Mayor declares a public hearing open for comment. The second opportunity to address the council will come near the end of the Agenda when the Mayor will inquire if anyone wishes to speak to Council members regarding matters not listed on the Agenda. We do request that anyone addressing the Council, approach the podium, identify your first and last name and give your complete mailing address.*

**AGENDA**

**A. WELCOME – *Mayor Morgan***

**B. ROLL CALL – *Cecile Rosenbaum, Town Clerk***

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *Jayne Duehring, Council Member***

**D. SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY THE MAYOR**

- Recognition of First LEGO League (FLL), Cyborg 7 team sponsored by Abingdon Elementary School – *Mayor Morgan*

**E. SPECIAL EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

- Recognition of John N. Carty, Patrol Officer for the Police Department for his five (5) years of service
- Recognition of Justin W. Greer, Patrol Officer for the Police Department for his five (5) years of service

**F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- November 4, 2013 Work Session Meeting
- November 4, 2013 Regular Meeting
- November 19, 2013 Recessed Meeting

**G. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES - None**

1. **Public Hearing** - Consideration of Petition to vacate the Johnston Street right-of way from Court Street to approximately 560 feet west of Court Street, abutting property of Tax Map Nos. 005-6-1A, 012-4-1, 012-4-3, 012-4-5, 012-4-6, 012-4-8, 012-1-33, and 013-1-1 – ***John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
2. **Public Hearing** – Consideration of the Petition to vacate the unopened right-of-way formerly known as Mountain View Street from Johnston Street to Jackson Street, abutting property of Tax Map Nos. 012-4-5A, 012-4-5, and 012-4-3 – ***John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
3. Consideration of appointment of Board of Viewers for items G1 and G2 - ***John Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***

**H. SECOND READINGS**

1. **Second Reading** - Consideration of Comprehensive Plan 2027 update – ***Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager***

**I. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES - None**

**J. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS - None**

**K. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

1. Consideration of request for funding for the Washington County Business Plan Competition and Business Expo – ***Susan Howard, Director, Abingdon Main Street***
2. Consideration and discussion of appointments on the Abingdon Fire Department - ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

**L. RESOLUTIONS - None**

## **M. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

## **N. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

### **1. Economic Development Authority**

- *Appointment of Kyle Macione to a second term and he is eligible for reappointment*

### **2. Sinking Spring Cemetery Committee**

- *Appointment of Carolyn Lee to a second term and she is eligible for reappointment*

### **3. Tourism Advisory Committee**

- *Appointment of member to fill the expired term of hotel/motel representative, George Brewer, who is not eligible for reappointment*

### **4. Board of Architectural Review**

- *Appointment of member to fill the expired term of Dr. Charles (Mike) Owens who is not eligible for reappointment*

### **5. Sustain Abingdon Committee**

- *Appointment of the following members all of whom are eligible for reappointment*

- *Tom McMullen*
- *Nick Safay*
- *Sherrie Leab*
- *Kevin Sigmon*
- *Kevin Worley*
- *Sarita Moore*
- *Tenille Montgomery*
- *Garrett Jackson*

- *Appointment of three (3) new members to the Committee*

- *Jen Shaver – Abingdon Resident and Environmental Attorney*
- *Katie Commender – Abingdon Resident/Appalachian Sustainable Development*
- *Rick Statzer – Town Building Inspector*

## **O. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

## **P. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- November 30<sup>th</sup>- January 4<sup>th</sup>- O' Christmas Tree Event at Fields-Penn House. For more information call 276-676-0216 or visit <https://www.facebook.com/fieldspennhouse>.
- December 1<sup>st</sup>- Sunday at the Park- Coomes Recreation Center. 276-623-5279
- December 3<sup>rd</sup>- Barter's Twas the Night Before Christmas opens. 276.628.3991
- December 5<sup>th</sup>- First Thursday, 5 PM. Take the town trolley and visit local art venues. See [www.facebook.com/abingdonfirstthursday](http://www.facebook.com/abingdonfirstthursday) for more information.
- December 5<sup>th</sup>- Abingdon Market Pavilion Christmas Tree Lighting 6:30 pm till 7:30 pm. Local Elementary School Choirs to Perform. A visit from the Jolliest Elf of all, Santa.
- December 7<sup>th</sup>- Kiwanis Christmas Parade. 11 AM, Downtown Abingdon
- December 7<sup>th</sup>- Olde Abingdon Christmas Open House 1-6 PM, Downtown Abingdon and beyond, more than 30 merchants participating, many with door prizes, refreshments and discounts. 276.492.2237.
- December 7<sup>th</sup>-Christmas Cabins Tour, 1 - 3 PM, presented by Washington County Historical Society. Trolley transportation available--boarding begins at 1 PM in the parking lot adjacent to the Fields Penn House Museum. Donations to WCHS welcome. Open house and refreshments at WCHS at 3 PM (approximate time). 276.623.8337
- December 9<sup>th</sup>- Starry Starry Night Community Christmas, 7 PM, Barter Theatre (reserved tickets \$5 each, 276.628.3991 Barter Box Office)
- December 14<sup>th</sup>- Breakfast with Santa. Coomes Recreation Center. 276-623-5279.
- December 21st- Heartwood Breakfast with Santa 9am-11am. \$5 per person. Reservations available at 276-492-2400.
- December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>- Offices Closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
- January 1<sup>st</sup>- Offices Closed for New Years Day Holiday

## **Q. ADJOURNMENT**