

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
RECESSED MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2008 AT 7:55 P.M.
DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A recessed meeting of the Abingdon Town Council was held on Monday, April 14, 2008 at 7:55 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room of the Municipal Building. The Town Council had previously met at 5:30 p.m. with the Washington County Board of Supervisors in a Joint Meeting regarding the proposed Town/County Sports Complex.

A. ROLL CALL

Members of Council Present: Mayor Lois H. Humphreys
Mr. Robert M. Howard, Vice Mayor
Dr. French H. Moore, Jr.
Mr. Edward B. Morgan
Mrs. Cathy Lowe

Administrative Staff: Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager
Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk
Deborah C. Icenhour, Assistant Town Attorney

Guests: Dan Mathews

Mayor Humphreys reconvened the meeting and noted that all Council members were present.

1. Greg Kelly, Town Manager, informed the Council members that the first order of business was to address the matter of the archaeological study that the Council and the Board of Supervisors agreed needed to be performed on the property to be purchased for the Sports Complex. He indicated that the Council needed to determine a dollar amount they were willing to pay in conjunction with the County for the study.

On motion of Mr. Howard, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Council agreed to pay one-half (1/2) of the expenses associated with the archaeological study of the Sports Complex property with the County paying the remaining one-half (1/2) of the costs but with the stipulation that the total cost for the study not exceed \$10,000.00.

The roll call vote was:

Mr. Morgan **Aye**
Mrs. Lowe **Aye**
Dr. Moore **Aye**
Mr. Howard **Aye**
Mayor Humphreys **Aye**

The motion carried.

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2. Greg Kelly, Town Manager, informed the Council members the second item to address regarding the Sports Complex was the formation of a Joint Authority with the County that would oversee the operations of the Sports Complex Facility.

**On motion of Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Council agreed to form a Joint Authority with the County that would oversee the operations of the Sports Complex Facility. The Council indicated the Authority should be comprised of three (3) members from the Town of Abingdon, three (3) members from Washington County, Virginia, and one (1) member at large to be appointed by the six (6) Authority members once they are established.**

**The roll call vote was:**

**Mr. Morgan**            **Aye**  
**Mrs. Lowe**            **Aye**  
**Dr. Moore**            **Aye**  
**Mr. Howard**          **Aye**  
**Mayor Humphreys** **Aye**

**The motion carried.**

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3. Greg Kelly, Town Manager, informed the Council members that the third item to address was in regard to the financing of the Sports Complex Facility. Mr. Kelly indicated the Council members needed to decide how much of the financial responsibility they wanted to share of the Sports Complex Facility in relation to the County's portion of the financial obligation.

On motion of Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Council authorized Greg Kelly, Town Manager, to negotiate the financial obligation terms with Washington County, Virginia.

The roll call vote was:

Mr. Morgan	Aye
Mrs. Lowe	Aye
Dr. Moore	Aye
Mr. Howard	Aye
Mayor Humphreys	Aye

The motion carried.

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4. Greg Kelly, Town Manager, asked the Council to consider the fourth item which was ownership of the Sports Complex facility. He indicated that the Council needed to decide how much of the Complex they desired to have ownership of in conjunction with the County.

**On motion of Dr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Council decided on an equal division of fifty (50%) ownership of the Sports Complex facility with the County owning the remaining fifty (50%).**

**The roll call vote was:**

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| <b>Mr. Morgan</b>      | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Lowe</b>       | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Dr. Moore</b>       | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Howard</b>      | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mayor Humphreys</b> | <b>Aye</b> |

**The motion carried.**

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5. Greg Kelly, Town Manager, informed the Council the final issue to decide regarding the Sports Complex was in regard to the division of the costs for the contracting of professional services to be performed for the Facility.

By consensus, the Council members authorized Town Manager, Greg Kelly, to negotiate the division of the costs for the professional services between the Town and County in the same proportion as the final negotiated financial obligation split.

B. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Howard, seconded by Dr. Moore, the Council voted to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was:

Mrs. Lowe	Aye
Mr. Morgan	Aye
Dr. Moore	Aye
Mr. Howard	Aye
Mayor Humphreys	Aye

The motion carried.

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Lois H. Humphreys, Mayor

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Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk