

TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2011
7:00 PM

Mayor Moore-Present
Vice-Mayor Greer-Present
Councilman Ward-Present
Councilman Massey-Present
Councilman Doughty-Present
Councilman Metz-Present
Councilman Scanlan-Absent

STAFF PRESENT: Arthur Miles, Ethel Parks, Chief Tom Potts, Connie Doughty.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Exmore Town Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Moore. A quorum was established with one member absent..

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Vice-Mayor Greer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES REQUESTED FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 1, 2011:

Councilman Ward made the Motion to accept the Minutes of the August 1, 2011 meeting with the correction made. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Massey. Discussion-None. Councilman Scanlan-absent. The Motion was passed.

CITIZEN REMARKS:

Dan Davis of Cathey Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council regarding the Musso building. The building is on the corner of Cathey Avenue and Adron Street. Mr. Davis noted that the building is a health hazard, a travel hazard and an eye sore. He asked the Mayor and Council to have Mr. Musso clean up the dilapidated structure.

Councilman Massey stated that they have been notified Mr. Musso numerous times over the years to do something with the building.

After much discussion Mayor Moore directed Mr. Miles to contact the Town Attorney to find out what we need to do to move forward with condemning the building and hiring an outside contractor to demolish it.

Randall Stapleton spoke to the Mayor and Council about the possible need for a Junior Street Hockey League located in Exmore. He noted that the league in Parksley is very well structured for children and is growing. Mr. Stapleton stated that he feels there is a need for a league in Exmore to accommodate those children who live in this area and further south, rather than to travel to Parksley. He said that they could build a rink for approximately \$30,000 that would come from contributions and fund raisers; all they would need from the Town is land to build it on. Mayor Moore stated that he would be happy to look into it.

Donald E. Kellam, Jr. informed the Mayor and Council about a hole over the drainage grate on the end of Broad Street near Westfield Avenue. He stated that it has been there some time and is only getting worse. Mr. Miles noted that he would report it to VDOT.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION FOR REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN READY FOR ENACTMENT, REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED FOR OCTOBER 3, 2011:

Mr. Miles stated that this Resolution is to approve the Northampton County Regional Water Supply Plan and will be voted on following the Exmore Town Council Public Hearing on October 3, 2011. There was further comment or discussion.

POTENTIAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Miles stated that funds are available for a part time Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator. He said that he feels there is a need for a full time position. After some discussion, Councilman Massey made the Motion to advertise for a part time Code Enforcement Office/Zoning Administration. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Ward. Discussion-None further. The Motion was passed unanimously.

END OF YEAR 2011 FINANCIALS:

There was no discussion on the end of year 2011 financial reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

THE EASTERN SHORE PSA CONTINUES TO HAVE OPENING(S) ON ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. NOMINATIONS FOR THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S CONSIDERATION ARE WELCOME:

Mr. Miles noted that the vacant seats PSA Board of Directors need to be filled

POSITIONS ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION, ZONING APPEALS BOARD AND FAÇADE COMMITTEE REMAIN OPEN. RECOMMENDATIONS ARE WELCOME AND NECESSARY:

Mr. Miles asked the Council for any recommendations to fill the vacant positions on the Planning Commission, Zoning Appeals Board and the Façade Committee.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE REVIEWED WITHIN 30 DAYS:

Mr. Miles stated he should be hearing before the next meeting what their decision is regarding the Well grant application.

RECENT DRAINAGE SYSTEM WORK DONE BY VDOT APPEARS TO HAVE HAD A POSITIVE EFFECT. RAINFALL FROM IRENE CAUSED NO DAMAGE AND DISAPPEARED QUICKLY:

Mr. Miles noted that there appeared to be no water damage from Irene.

Mayor Moore commended Town employees for their cleanup effort after Irene.

Vice-Mayor Greer noted that the Police Department came to his house during all the wind and rain to cut the fallen tree off of his house.

EXMORE YARD SALE PREPARATIONS CONTINUE TO PROGRESS WELL:

Mr. Miles noted that the Exmore Yard Sale is this coming Saturday. He said that the food court will be full and there will be face painting also.

Councilman Ward asked if golf carts would be allowed on the streets during the Town Yard Sale.

Mr. Miles assured him they could use their golf carts.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RESTART MEETING WAS HELD ON AUGUST 17, 2011:

Mr. Miles informed the Mayor and Council that he attended the Northampton County Economic Development Restart Meeting on August 17th. He noted that he would work with the Chairman as long as he wants to meet.

DISCUSSION-COUNCIL/CITIZEN INPUT:

Vice-Mayor Greer noted that he has heard that there seems to be a lack of interest in the fund raising for the Farmer's Museum and recommended that they discuss the potential for the hockey rink on that site.

Councilman Massey remarked that the grass around the pond at Hampton Inn has not been cut this year. Mr. Miles noted that he would call them. Councilman Metz stated that there are several yards in town that need to be cut before the Town Yard Sale.

DATE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING (OCTOBER 3, 2011):

Mayor Moore announced that there will be a Public Hearing on October 3, 2011 at 6:30pm with the Town Council meeting immediately following the Public Hearing.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Massey made the Motion to adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Greer. The Motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

William M. Moore, Jr. Mayor

Ethel Parks, Town Clerk

