

TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETING  
JUNE 6, 2022  
7:00 PM

At a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Exmore, Virginia, held in the Meeting Room of the J. Guy Lawson Municipal Building, 3305 Main Street, Exmore Virginia, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Attendance:

Mayor Douglas Greer-Present  
Vice-Mayor Thomas Lewis-Present  
Councilman G. W. Adkins-Present  
Councilman Bradley Doughty-Present  
Councilman Bryon Heaster-Present  
Councilman John Metz-Present  
Councilman Chase Sturgis-Present

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Robert Duer, Ethel Parks, Taylor Dukes, Chief DiMartino, Officer Hinman, Sgt. Gonzalez.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Town Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Greer.

PLEDGE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the majority in attendance.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Mayor Greer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS– MAY 2, 2022:

Councilman Heaster made the Motion to approve the Minutes of May 2, 2022, regular Town Council meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Sturgis and was passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

Collette Nelson, from the Eastern Shore Library Foundation, explained the need for additional funding for the Library Foundation for construction cost. She asked the Mayor and Council to consider donating a portion of the ARPA funds toward the library.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – MR. DUER:

Mr. Duer noted the anniversaries of Cpl. Brandon Parks (4 yrs.) and Caleb Shrieves (1yr.). He commended Chief DiMartino for an excellent job speaking to the Rotary Club. We continue getting high marks on our new website. Ms. MacGarvey has added blogs to the website, which has had over 1,000 views in the past few days. Mr. Duer said that he has been contacted by several people asking to add public service links to the website. It was the general consensus of the Council not to do this at the present time. He noted that the caboose has been moved. Mr. Duer stated that the state budget has been passed and that we will be receiving \$3,500,000 from the State in funding for the new sewer project.

Mr. Duer said that we are still in search of a Town Attorney. Several of the grant applications that Ms. MacGarvey has submitted have been approved. The memorial bench has been ordered.

FINANCIAL REPORT – MR. DUER:

MAY FINANCIALS:

Mr. Duer reported that revenue for the month of May was \$248,317 and expenses were \$158,807 which give us a net income of \$89,510.

YTD FINANCIALS:

The year-to-date income is \$2,300,723 and expenses are \$2,094,905 for a year-to-date net income of \$205,819.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACQUISITION/REPLACEMENT LIST:

Mr. Duer noted that the Acquisition/Replacement Plan includes purchasing 2 new police cars, and we may need to purchase new mowers. Councilman Sturgis made the Motion to adopt the FY23 Acquisition and Replacement Plan as presented. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Adkins and was passed unanimously.

VDOT, VIRGINIA AVENUE:

Mr. Duer explained that Virginia Avenue is no longer a passable road, especially when it rains. He noted that VDOT needs a resolution from the Town requesting them to make it wider. Councilman Heaster made the Motion to adopt a resolution to send a letter to VDOT in reference to Virginia Avenue. The Motion was seconded Vice-Mayor Lewis and was passed unanimously.

TRAFFIC ORDINANCE NO. 215 – TO AMEND TRAFFIC ORDINANCE NO. 112 AND UPDATE FOR 2022-2023:

Chief DiMartino stated that this ordinance adopts the state traffic codes and updates the existing Ordinance No. 215. Vice-Mayor Lewis made the Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 215. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Metz and was passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

TOWN ATTORNEY:

Previously reported.

UPDATE ON SEWER PROJECT – MR. DUER & MR. DUKES:

LOAN/GRANT STATUS:

Mr. Duer reported that we will receive \$3,500,000 from the state and \$3,500,000 from federal funds. Mr. Dukes noted that he and Mrs. Ward visited Bowman Consulting to review the bid documents. He said that once the Governor has signed the state budget, we can go to bid (July) with a bid opening of August 8<sup>th</sup>. He is hopeful that they can give a notice to proceed between October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>.

POLICE REPORT – CHIEF DIMARTINO:

Chief DiMartino reported that there was only 1 reportable crash in May. He noted that all the officers are doing well and staying busy. He stated that he is proud of them and the great job they are doing. Chief DiMartino noted that they purchased 8 new cameras on a grant and that they waiting on additional grant opportunities to purchase more cameras. Mr. Duer noted that we are not eligible for redlight cameras.

PUBLIC WORKS/WATER/SEWER REPORT – MR. DUKES:

No. Report.

ZONING REPORT – MR. DUKES:

He said that we still need to update our zoning ordinance for DEQ and it can be discussed at the July Council meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

Councilman Adkins stated that we need to find some way to enforce the rules, regulations, and procedures for gatherings at the Town Park.

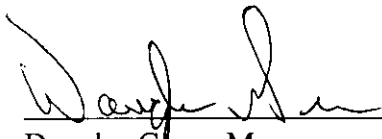
SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND CLOSINGS:

TOWN OFFICE CLOSED – MONDAY, JULY 4, 2022 – INDEPENDENCE DAY

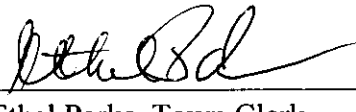
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022 @ 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Adkins made the Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Sturgis. The Motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned.



Douglas Greer, Mayor



Ethel Parks, Town Clerk