



**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 6, 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 AND ROLL CALL**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *Jason N. Berry, Council Member***

**C. SPECIAL EMPLOYEE PRESENTATION – *Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

- Recognition of James M. Cowart, Jr. for his 5 years of service as Director of Economic Development/Grants
- Recognition of Camille L. Finney, for her 15 years of service to the Abingdon Police Department

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- April 1, 2013 Work Session Meeting
- April 1, 2013 Regular Meeting
- April 17, 2013 Work Session Meeting

**E. PETITIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

1. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia to Repeal, Amend, and Reenact Part II, Chapter 14, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article I, §14-1 Through §14-57 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia – *Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and Office C.J. McGlothlin, Code Enforcement Officer*

2. **Public Hearing – First Reading** – An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Proposing to Sell and Grant a Franchise for an Electric Power Transmission and Distribution System in the Town of Abingdon, Virginia and Inviting Bids Therefore – ***Deb Icenhour, Town Attorney and Mary Begley, Manager for External Affairs, Appalachian Power***
3. **Public Hearing – First Reading** - An Ordinance of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Proposing a Budget for the Town of Abingdon, Virginia and to Make Appropriations for the Current Expenses of the Town and To Fix a Tax Rate Upon Real and Personal Property, To Fix All Other Local Tax Rates and Fees and Rates on Utility Services for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

#### **F. SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES**

1. **Second Reading** – An Ordinance Proposing a Real Property Tax Revenue Increase for the FY 2013/2014 as a result of reassessments – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

#### **G. CONSIDERATION OF ANY BIDS**

1. Consideration of bids for the replacement of the Virginia Creeper Trail, Trestle #7 – ***John B. Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
2. Consideration of bids for the Country Club Estates Drainage Improvement Project - ***John B. Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
3. Consideration of bids for asphalt resurfacing work throughout the Town for the 2012/2013 fiscal year - ***John B. Dew, Director of Public Services and Construction***
4. Consideration of bids for the boiler/heat exchanger refurbishment for the Wolf Creek Water Reclamation Facility – ***Jim Smith, Town Engineer***

#### **H. REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

1. Consideration of Assignment Agreement to transfer from “King College, Inc.” to “King School of Medicine, Inc.” the rights and responsibilities pursuant to the Agreement By and Between the Town of Abingdon, Virginia, The County of Washington, Virginia and King College, Inc. regarding economic incentives for a Medical School to be established by King College in the Town of Abingdon – ***Tariq Zaidi, Interim President & Chief Operating Officer***

2. Introduction of Michael Armbrister, Director of Mount Rogers Planning District Commission – ***Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager***
3. Consideration of amendment to the Town’s Small Purchase Policy – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
4. Consideration of additional appropriation to the Barter Theatre for the final disposition of the Barter/Municipal Building expansion project – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
5. Consideration of additional appropriation for the Veterans Memorial Park Board – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***

**I. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS**

1. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Declaring the Month of May 2013 as Older Americans Month – ***Daveena Sexton, Director, Abingdon Senior Center***
2. A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia Declaring May, 2013 as Mental Health Month and May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as National Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day in the Town of Abingdon – ***Rebecca Holmes, LPC, CSAC, Outpatient Services Department Director, Highlands Community Services***

**J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Update on the Country Club Stormwater Management Project – ***John Dew, Director Public Services and Construction***
2. Update on the Whites Mill Road/Court/Hill Drive project – ***John Dew, Director Public Services and Construction***
3. Update on the replacement of Trestle #7 on the Virginia Creeper Trail – ***John Dew, Director of Public Services/Construction***
4. Update on the Urban Pathways project – ***Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager***
5. Update on the feasibility study for the Conference Center Hotel – ***Greg Kelly, Town Manager***
6. Update on the West End Interceptor Project – ***Jim Smith, Town Engineer***

**K. MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

## L. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- *Planning Commission*

- Appointment of member to the Planning Commission to fill the expired term of Dr. Ramsey White who is not eligible for reappointment (*This matter was tabled from the April 1, 2013 meeting*)

## M. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

## N. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 4th- Hazardous Household Waste Collection Day- MXI
- May 11th -Mother's Day Bonnet Cake Decorating Class with Natalie Moretz Blevins Ages 9-14 10am-noon. 276-619-4300.
- May 11th- Mother's Day Tea Tasting! Camella's Remember When. 12:00pm-2:00pm. Cost is \$35.00 per person. To register call 276-676-0089
- May 11th- Crooked Road Youth Music Festival. Heartwood. 11am-10pm. \$5 admissions.
- May 12th- Mother's Day Sunday Brunch Buffet. Heartwood. 10am-4pm
- May 12th- Luncheon with The Charles Goodwin Trio at Virginia Ballroom. Senior Center. 12:30pm-2:00pm. 276-628-3911
- May 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30 Additional Council Work Session
- May 16th- Thursday Night Jams with Big Sandy and The Fly Rites- Abingdon Market Pavilion. 6:30-9:30pm.
- May 17-19- Appalachian Trail Day
- May 18th- Richard Leigh Music Festival at Virginia Highlands Community College
- May 18th- SWVA Wine Festival 1:00pm-5:00pm. 276-492-2400
- May 23rd- Thursday Night Jams with Firecracker Jazz Band. Abingdon Market Pavilion. 6:30-9:30pm
- May 25th- Kiwanis Plumb Alley Day. 9am-3pm
- May 25th- [Summers, McCutcheon & the Virginia Dulcimer Tribute Concert](#). Abingdon Market Pavilion. 3pm-7pm
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – Town Offices Closed in observance of Memorial Day holiday
- May 30th- Thursday Night Jams with Hit and Run Bluegrass/Brothers Comatose. Abingdon Market Pavilion. 6:30pm-9:30pm
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Council Work Session and Regular Meeting

## O. ADJOURNMENT