

TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
JULY 3, 2023
7:00 PM

At the 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 3rd day of July 2023 at 7:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE:

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

STAFF ATTENDANCE:

Robert Duer, Ethel Parks, Taylor Dukes, Chief DiMartino, Capt. Zieger, Sgt. Gonzalez, Officer Hinman.

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.

— Mr. Duer noted that the agenda needs to be amended to strike #3. Presentation of Resolution of Appreciation and add an item under New Business to revisit Ordinance No. 220. Councilman Sturgis made the Motion to amend the agenda by striking # 3 and by adding item a. under New Business to revisit Ordinance No. 220. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Adkins and was passed unanimously with Councilmen Doughty and Metz being absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING– JUNE 5, 2023:

Councilman Heaster made the Motion to approve the Minutes of the June 5, 2023, regular Town Council meeting. The Motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Lewis and was passed unanimously with Councilmen Doughty and Metz being absent.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

None.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – MR. DUER:

Mr. Duer said that Chief DiMartino's anniversary is July 19th, giving him 18 years of service to the Town. The Juneteenth Festival was a huge success. The Fall Festival booth requests continue to grow and the CBES Bike Tour is scheduled for later in November. Mr. Duer noted that they installed new lights in the meeting room and the Police Department purchased new chairs.

— **FINANCIAL REPORT – MR. DUER:**

JUNE FINANCIALS:

Income for the month of June was \$162,860 and expenses were \$123,859 for a net income of \$39,001.

YTD FINANCIALS:

The year-to-date income was \$3,464,379 and expenses were \$2,187,819 for a net income for the year of \$1,276,560.

NEW BUSINESS:

REVISIT ORDINANCE NO. 220:

Mr. Duer stated that if all easements are not signed and returned, we may end up in court with many residents. Mr. Dukes said that Ordinance No. 220 was passed in May 2022 with an effective date of "To Be Determined". The Town attorney noted that there has to be an effective date in order to enforce the ordinance. Mr. Dukes noted that the effective date needs to be immediate (today's date). Councilman Heaster made the Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 220 with the effective date being July 3, 2023. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Sturgis and was passed unanimously with Councilmen Doughty and Metz being absent.

SEWER AND SEWER DISPOSAL ORDINANCE:

Mr. Duer said that the main things to discuss is raw sewage, grease and industrial waste. Mr. Duer noted that this ordinance is a draft ordinance that needs to be reviewed and discussed at a later date.

FOOD TRUCK APPLICATION:

Mr. Duer said that this is a draft ordinance addressing food trucks. He commented that the Mayor and Council should review this ordinance and make changes at next month's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

POLICE REPORT – CHIEF DIMARTINO:

Chief DiMartino stated that all officers are doing well and staying busy. He said that they have hired a new officer and he will be attending the Police Academy beginning July 10. The grant quarter ended on June 30, and he can now submit for reimbursement for the new cars. He noted that there are no fine sheets in the Police report due to the Courts being closed. There were 2 reportable crashes last month. Chief DiMartino reported that crashes are down. He said that from January to June of 2022 there were 16 crashes and from January to June of this year there have been 8 crashes. Chief DiMartino noted that the Park was packed for the Juneteenth Festival, and it went very well.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – MR. DUKES:

Mr. Dukes said that he has 1 employee leaving next week and we are advertising for another.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT – MR. DUKES:

Mr. Dukes reported that the Health Department has stepped in and mandated that the food truck property owners install a new septic tank. He said that the Public Works crew worked late into the night Friday to repair a water leak.

ZONING REPORT – MR. DUKES:

Previously discussed.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

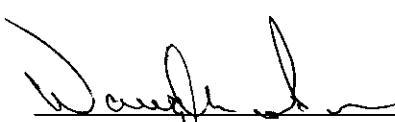
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SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

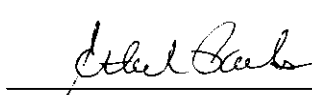
TOWN OFFICE CLOSED – TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2023 – INDEPENDENCE DAY
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Adkins made the Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Sturgis and was passed unanimously with Councilmen Doughty and Metz being absent.



Douglas Greer, Mayor



Ethel Parks, Town Clerk