

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 27, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Hopewell City Council was held Tuesday, June 27, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT: Jackie Shornak, Mayor
Jasmine E. Gore, Vice Mayor (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Christina J. Luman-Bailey, Councilor
Arlene Holloway, Councilor
Anthony J. Zevgolis, Councilor (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Janice B. Denton, Councilor
Brenda S. Pelham, Councilor

Mark A. Haley, City Manager
Charles Dane, Assistant City Manager
Stefan M. Calos of Sands Anderson PC, City Attorney
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Mayor Shornak opened the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mayor Shornak	-	present
Vice Mayor Gore	-	absent (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Zevgolis	-	absent (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Councilor Denton	-	present
Councilor Pelham	-	present

ADOPT/AMEND AGENDA

Councilor Denton moved to amend the agenda to remove item R-1 and to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilor Luman-Bailey. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	absent (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Vice Mayor Gore	-	absent (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

CLOSED MEETING

At 6:38 p.m. Councilor Denton moved to go into closed meeting for (1) discussion of appointment of specific appointees of city council (oversight committee, school board, HRHA, city manager); (2) consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining to actual litigation (VAWCO-SCC litigation, Green Plains-tax litigation, grievance, EEOC complaint), where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the

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negotiating or litigating posture of city council; and (3) consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by city council related thereto and regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, in accordance with Virginia Code section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) and (7) (two items), respectively. The motion was seconded by Councilor Pelham. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	---- (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Vice Mayor Gore	-	---- (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

Council convened into open meeting at 7:33 p.m., and responded to the question pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3712 (D): were only public business matters (I) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (II) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in closed meeting? Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	---- (absent from dais)
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	---- (absent from dais)
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

WORK SESSION

Bill Dore of the Community Development Block Grant presented information to Council regarding proposed donations to the various charities and non-profits seeking financial assistance.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mayor Shornak called the meeting to order, and thanked all for attending. The prayer was led by Chaplain Pamela Cooper of the John Randolph Pastoral Care, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, led by Councilor Pelham.

Consent Agenda

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by Council and will be approved or received by one motion in the form listed. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion under the regular agenda at the request of any Councilor.

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- C-1** Minutes:
- C-2** Pending List: Updated through June 2017
- C-3** Routine Approval of Work Sessions:
- C-4** Personnel Change Report & Financial Report: June financial report
- C-5** Ordinances on Second & Final Reading:
- C-6** Routine Grant Approval:
- C-7** Public Hearing Announcement: **August 8, 2017** – public hearing to consider a conditional use permit to allow metal carport in B-3 zoning district at 903 South 15th Avenue; public hearing to consider a conditional use permit to allow a meadery; public hearing on transfer of land to school board
- C-8** Information for Council Review: Media release—Butts on Broadway; Butts on Broadway flyer; April 10, 2017 HRHA minutes; May 11, 2017 School Board minutes
- C-9** Resolutions/Proclamations/Presentations: Presentation by Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Food Alliance regarding its new logo; presentation by The Woda Group
- C-10** Additional Announcements: **June 30, 2017** – Water and Wastewater Professionals Day; **July 1, 2017** Fireworks Over the Appomattox

Charles Dane announced that the movie Dirty Money will be partially filmed in Hopewell. Councilor Denton moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which motion was seconded by Councilor Pelham. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

Motion passed 7-0

Councilor Denton submitted a Transactional Disclosure Statement stating that she was a real estate agent for Riley Ingram Real Estate.

AMEND/ADOPT AGENDA

Vice Mayor Gore made a motion to amend the agenda to add IR-4 (Budget Resolution). The motion was seconded by Councilor Pelham. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	No
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	No

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Mayor Shornak requested a roll call, the result of which was:

Mayor Shornak	-	present
Vice Mayor Gore	-	present
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Zevgolis	-	present
Councilor Denton	-	present
Councilor Pelham	-	present

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 A public hearing was held to obtain citizen comments on the request by George Fetko to vacate a 75-foot portion of Gray Street and 2500 Oaklawn Boulevard in accordance with Code of Virginia § 15.2-2006. Tevya Griffin, Director of Development presented information regarding this request. Councilor Pelham moved to vacate the 75-foot portion of Gray Street adjacent to 2508 Gray Street and 2500 Oaklawn Boulevard. The motion was seconded by Councilor Holloway. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

Motion passed 7-0

COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

Reports of City Manager:

R-1 Deleted per motion to amend agenda.

R-2 Request from LBKBL Properties LLC to subdivide a parcel of land -LBKBL Properties is requesting subdivision of 3317 Trenton Street into two parcels. Councilor Denton moved to approve the subdivision of 3317 Trenton Street into Lots 25R and 28R, Block 40, Woodlawn Subdivision. Her motion was seconded by Mayor Shornak. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes

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IR-4 Budget Resolution – Gore discussed with Council the Budget Resolution and the errors contained therein. There was no action taken of Council.

Councilor Pelham moved to amend the agenda to add item IR-5 Finance Agenda. Her motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Gore. As it was close to 10:30 p.m., Councilor Pelham moved to extend the meeting past 10:30 p.m. Her motion was seconded by Councilor Denton. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	Yes
Mayor Shornak	-	No
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	Yes
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	No

Motion passed 5-2

Vice Mayor Gore Denton moved to postpone discussion of this item until the next meeting. Her motion was seconded by Councilor Denton. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Pelham	-	No
Mayor Shornak	-	Yes
Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	--- (left at 10:16 p.m.)
Councilor Holloway	-	Yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	Yes
Councilor Denton	-	Yes

Motion passed 6-1

ADJOURN

At 11:08 p.m. motion was made by Vice Mayor Gore and seconded by Councilor Denton to adjourn. All councilors present responded “aye” to the question.

/s/ Jackie Shornak
Jackie Shornak, Mayor

/s/ Ronnieye L. Arrington
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk