



Town of Vienna

Meeting Minutes

Town Council Meeting

Charles A. Robinson Jr.
Town Hall
127 Center Street South
Vienna VA, 22180

Monday, January 8, 2018

8:00 PM

Charles A. Robinson, Jr. Town Hall, 127
Center Street, South

Regular Council Meeting

Invocation: Reverend Cho, Wesley United Methodist Church

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

1. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Council Member Tara Bloch, Council Member Linda Colbert, Council Member Pasha Majdi, Council Member Douglas Noble, Council Member Carey J. Sienicki, Council Member Howard J. Springsteen and Mayor Laurie DiRocco

2. Approval of the Minutes:

- A. [18-706](#) Approval of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2017 and the Work Session Minutes of November 6, 2017.

It was moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 11, 2017 and the Work Session minutes of November 6, 2017 as submitted.

A motion was made by Council Member Sienicki, seconded by Council Member Bloch, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

3. Receipt of petitions and communications from the Public that is not on the Agenda. (Limited to 5 minutes per issue and no formal action can be taken this evening)

Mr. Jerry Komandt, 404 Hine St. SE, addressed Council regarding a few items. As a matter of record, he wished Council good luck on their endeavors in 2018 and wished them a healthful and prosperous New Year. One issue he wanted to bring up is that he lives on a cul-de-sac in the SE quadrant along the Wolf Trap Creek and he is very concerned by the amount of salt that ends up in his cul-de-sac and he knows the same thing occurs Welles St. and Echols St and he is concerned about the amount of salt going into the Chesapeake Bay. He knows this is an item for discussion later on but he wanted people to be aware that he and several other people along the creek are concerned. John and Mildred Fox lived at 410 Welles Street for probably 40 years and she has now passed, the house has been sold and bull dozed over and going to be raised like many of the smaller homes in Vienna and he is concerned when he saw a company come in and clear cut every tree on the lot. This was not long after he read an article in the Newsletter about the Arborist going out and checking these lots before all the trees were cut down. He is concerned about more than this one particular lot, it is happening all over the town and he wanted Council to know as a citizen he is concerned about all the trees being cut

down. Last but not least he wanted it on the public record that he is extremely impressed with the job that Navy Federal Credit Union did in building the complex addition that they built across the street from their main building. He thinks they did a wonderful job in keeping the traffic flow going, having a minimal amount of disruption and they have now sodded and planted trees in the grassy areas next to these buildings. It looks really nice and he thinks they should be commended for doing such a great job.

Ms. Mary Hough, 118 Sheperdson Lane NE and Mr. Bruce Kraselsky of the Mill Dominion Residents Association addressed Council regarding the petition that was submitted on December 17, 2017 requesting immediate review of the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Kraselsky spoke briefly about the petition and stated that they were encouraged by the Mayor's letter of January 5, 2018 in response to their petition. The letter indicated the Council's willingness to consider setting up a public meeting/charrette to discuss the corridor and its future. They are also encouraged by the Mayor's reference to past precedence by the Planning Commission of forming sub-committees to review key aspects of the Comprehensive Plan. Their petition requests the formation of such a committee comprised of town officials and citizen stakeholder's and MIDRA would be happy to serve in that regard. MIDRA believes that establishing a corridor review committee and holding an initial public meeting on this matter should be a top priority when the new Planning & Zoning Director is in place.

Ms. Julie Hays 304 Branch Road addressed Council regarding the cutting of trees and brush, particularly by Wolftrap Creek where a lot of that has been going on. She is not sure how aware of it Council is but she lives on Branch Rd and there are 3 houses by the tot lot next to Fresh Market they will see that the new owners there have cut down trees that back right on to Wolftrap Creek which is a protected area. It is against Town Code and potentially Fairfax County guidelines and state law to do that. Her concern is that there has been no enforcement of it and she believes the Town Arborist is aware of it. She is concerned that it is going to keep happening as new builds go up and that people are clearing out to make the land look bigger or for whatever reason and it is really disturbing, not only the wildlife and the topography its also creating mosquito issues in the summer. It really is becoming a problem and it might continue to be so if there isn't more enforcement.

A local Boy Scout from Troop 976 introduced himself to Council. He is working on his Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge.

4. Reports/Presentations

A. [17-645](#)

Vienna Eco-Efficient Home Builder & Homeowner Awards

Mayor DiRocco along with Ms. Susan Stillman, Chair of the Community Enhancement Commission and other members of the CEC, presented Evergreen Builders as well as the homeowners, with the Vienna Eco-Efficient Home Builder & Homeowner Awards.

A. Report and Inquiries of Council Members

Councilmember Sienicki wished everyone a Happy New Year and looks forward to a very productive and wonderful new year for the town.

Councilmember Sienicki gave a shout out to Mr. Lucas who is from Channel 8 news and is in the audience and thought maybe he would give Vienna a shout out on his

news cast.

Councilmember Sienicki thanked Public Works, especially water and sewer who were out on those really cold days doing really cold jobs. A special thanks to them as well as garbage collection for going out on those very cold days and doing their job.

Councilmember Noble reported that he had a lot of positive comments about the whole Star Wars rif on the town's facebook feed for town events.

Councilmember Noble also reported that he had been at a bunch of transportation meetings and one thing that came out on December 21st was the Federal Highway Administration rescinded the interim approval for the rectangular rapid flashing beacon's so they are no longer an authorized device as far as the federal standard is concerned. The reason is that somebody has actually patented certain elements of RFB's and the Federal Government could not require a patented device as a federal standard. Current guidance is previously installed ones may remain in place until the end of their useful service life. There is still a lot of discussion going on but right now it is a patented and the Feds can't do it under federal code so it has been rescinded. There are a number of different approaches that other jurisdictions have taken but tend to be far more expensive.

Councilmember Springsteen reported that it seems Bey Lounge got in trouble again and asked the Town Attorney to make sure they keep track of them. Mr. Briglia provided an update.

Councilmember provided input on the Community Center renovation.

B. Report of the Town Manager

Mr. Payton thanked Mr. Briglia and the Police Chief for helping out while he was out sick. He thanked Council for all the well wishes.

Mr. Payton also thanked Public Works and Parks & Rec for their work tonight with the roads. They are somewhat dangerous or just border line asked people to be careful going home and be particularly careful on the sidewalks.

C. Report of the Mayor

Mayor DiRocco wished everyone a Happy New Year! She did not have anything to report.

D. Proposals for Additional Items to the Agenda

None

E. Closed Session

It was moved that the members of the Vienna Town Council be polled to affirm that during the first Closed Session convened this date, Monday, January 8, 2018, the Town Council met for purposes of discussion of personnel matters, specifically the interviewing of individuals for consideration of appointment and/or re-appointment to Town Boards and Commissions.

It was further moved that the Certification Resolution be adopted in accordance

with State Statutes, and that the Town Clerk is authorized to execute the Certification Resolution.

And it was further moved that the Closed Session be continued to Monday, January 22, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in accordance with Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711.A.(3), for purposes of discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting could adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

*Motion: Councilmember Bloch
Second: Councilmember Springsteen
Carried unanimously*

It was moved that Walter Basnight be re-appointed to the Planning Commission for a two-year term. Said term shall be retroactively effective from December 5, 2017 through December 5, 2019.

It was further moved to amend the motion made at the meeting of December 11, 2017 in order to correct the term dates for Patty Hanley, filling the vacancy on the Board of Architectural Review. Said term shall be effective from December 31, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

And it was further moved to amend the motion made at the meeting of December 11, 2017 in order to correct the term dates for Rochelle Kadish, filling the vacancy on the Community Enhancement Commission. Said term shall be effective from December 18, 2017 through December 18, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Tara Bloch, seconded by Council Member Howard J. Springsteen, that the above was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

5. Regular Business

- A. [18-704](#) Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) bike rack application process.

Attachments: [TSC motion Bike Rack App Process](#)
[Uniform Bicycle Rack Application Process FINAL DRAFT](#)
[Agenda 04182011](#)
[Meeting Minutes 04182011](#)
[Approval Order_04182011](#)

It was moved to approve the Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) bike rack application process subject to incorporating the references suggested by the Town Attorney and incorporating the formal approval of the proposed standardized design by the Board of Architectural Review.

A motion was made by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Noble, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

B. [18-705](#) P.A.C./T.S.C. final draft of Pedestrian Master Plan

Attachments: [TSC motion PMP](#)

[Pedestrian Master Plan_final draft_11.27.17](#)

It was moved to approve the final draft of the Pedestrian Master Plan (PMP) with minor modifications.

A motion was made by Council Member Bloch, seconded by Council Member Noble, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

C. [18-695](#) Approve FY19-20 VDOT Transportation Alternative Project Funding Resolution

Attachments: [TA Resolution Church](#)

It was moved to approve Transportation Alternative Resolutions for the Church Street NE Sidewalk Extension and authorize the Mayor to execute.

A motion was made by Council Member Springsteen, seconded by Council Member Colbert, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

D. [18-696](#) Approve FY19-20 VDOT Revenue Sharing Resolutions

Attachments: [Local Government RS Resolution Church](#)

[Local Government RS Resolution Echols](#)

[Local Government RS Resolution Maintenance](#)

[VDOT FY18-20 RS Asphalt conditions](#)

It was moved to approve VDOT Revenue Sharing Resolutions for Church Street NE Sidewalk, Echols Street SE Reconstruction, and Pavement Maintenance; and authorize the Mayor to execute.

A motion was made by Council Member Colbert, seconded by Council Member Bloch, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

E. [18-703](#) Request to Set a Public Hearing for Issuance of Bonds & Notice of Intent to Adopt an Ordinance.

Attachments: [TOV CIP Review - 9-19-17 -- FINAL](#)

[Proposed Motion and Draft Notice of Public Hearing Intent to Adopt \(2018\)](#)

[Ordinance \(2018\) - Town of Vienna](#)

[DEQ Loan app FY2018VCWRLFeditapp edit](#)

[DEQ loan 2018](#)

It was moved that a Public Hearing on a Proposed Bond Ordinance authorizing issuance of general obligation bonds by the Town of Vienna in an amount up to \$15,000,000, in one or more series, which may be tax-exempt or taxable, for the purpose of financing, among other things, acquisition, renovation and/or improvement costs related to the Vienna Police Station, Town sidewalks, roads, parks, recreational facilities, stormwater facilities, parking facilities and real property and the Town's water and sewer system, be scheduled at the regular Council Meeting of January 29, 2018. It was further moved that the Town Clerk be authorized to advertise a Notice of the Public Hearing and Notice of the Intent to Adopt such Ordinance at such Meeting.

A motion was made by Council Member Sienicki, seconded by Council Member Colbert, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

6. Meeting Adjournment

It was moved to adjourn at 9:02 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Tara Bloch, seconded by Council Member Douglas Noble, that the meeting be adjourned.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Bloch, Council Member Colbert, Council Member Majdi, Council Member Noble, Council Member Sienicki, Council Member Springsteen and Mayor DiRocco

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