

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 14, 2022 7:00 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION

PRESENT: The Honorable Gordon C. Helsel, Jr., Mayor
The Honorable Herbert R. Green, Jr.
The Honorable David A. Hux
The Honorable Charles M. Southall III
The Honorable Keith A. Feigh
The Honorable Jana D. Andrews

J. Randall Wheeler, City Manager
Kimberly Healy, City Clerk
D. Wayne Moore, City Attorney

ABSENT: The Honorable Carey L. Freeman, Vice Mayor

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Helsel called the meeting to order at approximately 7:25 p.m. which was delayed due to the Work Session that ended at 7:18 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Helsel rendered the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIENCE FOR VISITORS:

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall, to adopt the minutes of the regular session held on February 28, 2022 as submitted. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Andrews, Feigh, Southall, Hux, Green and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance Making Additional Designation of Funding in Capital Project Funds

Finance Director, Leigh Etheridge, presented an Ordinance making additional designation of funding in Capital Project Funds of \$60,000. At the September 27, 2021 meeting City Council approved an Ordinance for the replacement of a medic unit in the amount of \$115,000 and applied for a 50/50 grant to replace Medic 11. Due to inflation of material since that time, it has now been estimated that an additional \$60,000 in local match funding will be required if the City is approved for the grant.

Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall, to approve an Ordinance Making Additional Designation of Funding in Capital Project Funds. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Feigh, Andrews, Green, Southall, Hux and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

2. Resolution Making an Appointment to the School Board

Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall, to approve a Resolution Making an Appointment to the School Board with the name Shannon Martin inserted for the At-Large precinct with a term expiring June 30, 2023. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Hux, Southall, Green, Andrews, Feigh and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property; i.e. 1013 Poquoson Avenue

Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall, to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Southall, Hux, Green, Feigh, Andrews and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

RECONVENEMENT:

Upon reconvening from Closed Session, Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall, to adopt a resolution certifying that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed during the Closed Session. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Andrews, Southall, Feigh, Hux, Green and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Randy Wheeler, announced that the grand opening of the new Farm Fresh is scheduled on or about April 1, 2022. Mr. Wheeler thanked Mayor Helsel, Dave Callis, Tom Jones, John Anderson, Mark Boesen and members of Public Works for the work on the new "micro-park" on Wythe Creek Road in front of Tropical Smoothie. He also informed Council that the money for the new medic unit is coming from undesignated Capital Project Funds which has a current balance of

\$65,000 which \$60,000 has just been designated for the medic unit which leaves \$5,000 for another small project.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:

Councilman Hux wished Vice Mayor Freeman a happy anniversary. Mr. Hux also thanked Randy and staff for the productive and efficient work session. He also thanked Wayne Moore for his wisdom and experience.

Councilman Feigh thanked everyone who participated in the Community Civic Group meeting.

Councilman Southall seconded the comments made by everyone and thanked the citizens for watching the meeting.

Mayor Helsel gave an update on the Lambs Creek dredging issue stating that a letter has been done to York County to accept the first step forward but we still have a long way to go and the letter will be brought to Council at the March 28, 2022 meeting for a vote to go forward, at that point the ball will be back in York County's court for further response.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Councilman Green moved, seconded by Councilman Southall to adjourn the meeting. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Green, Hux, Feigh, Southall, Andrews, and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:46 p.m.