

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2022 7:00 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION

PRESENT: The Honorable Gordon C. Helsel, Jr., Mayor
The Honorable Carey L. Freeman, Vice Mayor
The Honorable Herbert R. Green, Jr.
The Honorable David A. Hux
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 Charles M. Southall III

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Helsel called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilman Green 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 Vice Mayor Freeman, to adopt the minutes of the Work Session and the Regular Session held April 25, 2022 as submitted. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Green, Hux, Feigh, Andrews, Vice Mayor Freeman and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Second Reading and Final Adoption of the FY2023 Annual Financial Plan**
 - a) Ordinance Appropriating Funds to Various Governmental Funds
 - b) Ordinance Establishing the Real Estate Rate
 - c) Ordinance Establishing the Personal Property, Watercraft and Privately Owned Camping Trailers and Mobile Home Tax Rates

Councilman Green moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Freeman, to adopt the Ordinance to Appropriate Funds to the Various Governmental Funds of the City of Poquoson, Virginia for Fiscal Year 2023, the Ordinance to lay \$1.13 Levy Per \$100.00 Assessed Value on All Real Estate in the City of Poquoson, Virginia, for the General Operation of the Various Departments of the City Government, and

Ordinance Establishing the Personal Property, Watercraft and Privately Owned Camping Trailers and Mobile Home Tax Rates. Vice Mayor Freeman reminded the citizens that the City does not have a different tax rate depending on where you live in the City, all areas have the same tax rate. Recorded vote on the motion:

YES: Councilmembers Feigh, Andrews, Green, Hux, Vice Mayor Freeman and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Randy Wheeler, stated that the process for filling two School Board vacancies has begun. Applications will be accepted through May 23, 2022 for Eastern District and Western District School Board members and there are incumbents who are eligible for re-appointment, however, all qualified candidates are encouraged to submit an application. At the May 23, 2022 City Council meeting a Public Hearing will open, the Clerk will read the names of all candidates received. Anyone at that time will be able to come forward and submit their name or the name of someone else that is also qualified who wants to be considered. City Council will also be able to submit names for qualified individuals at that time. Once the Public Hearing is closed those names will be considered in the applicant pool. City Council will then submit up to three persons for each position to be interviewed prior to the June 13, 2022 City Council meeting and appointments will be made during that meeting. Mr. Wheeler thanked Public Works, Police Department and Fire Department for their work over the weekend with the storms and tide issues that are still ongoing.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:

Councilwoman Andrews stated that she was able to go to the City Convenience Site drop off over the weekend and that it is a great service provided to the citizens. She also thanked Mr. Wheeler for the Board/Commission Appointment SOP that makes the process clear for the citizens and everyone to follow how the process works. Councilwoman Andrews also thanked everyone at home for watching.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

YES: Councilmembers Andrews, Feigh, Hux, Green, Vice Mayor Freeman and Mayor Helsel

NO: None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:09 p.m.