

Hurt, Virginia

June 14, 2018

The Hurt Town Council held a called meeting Thursday, June 14, 2018, in Council Chambers at Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Roll Call

Members present: Neal, Johnson, Bivens, Watson, Clay. Absent: Adams

A motion was made to enter closed session to discuss personnel matters and prospective business, as authorized by VA FOIA Sec. 2.2-3711(A(1),(5)).

Motion: Watson Second: Johnson Passage: unanimous

Closed session began at 6:02 p.m. and concluded at 6:33 p.m.

A motion was made to certify that only personnel matters and prospective business were discussed during closed session, as authorized by VA FOIA Sec. 2.2-3712(D).

Following closed session, there was a consensus to re-hire Mr. Ed Hodges as Public Works Coordinator according to terms of a draft agreement, less item number five, with an effective date of July 1, 2018.

Motion: Watson Second: Clay Passage: unanimous

A draft contract for services at the KIP property was presented by Attorney Eller and reviewed by Council. Mr. Eller asked about the last paragraph concerning the completion date, as the one he had entered was a placeholder for review purposes. He feels input is needed from Crews Construction Company, Inc. on a date. A motion was made to approve the draft except for the last paragraph, and allowing the Mayor to negotiate the final wording for the last paragraph of the agreement.

Motion: Neal Second: Watson Passage: unanimous

The final revision of the FY 2018-19 budget proposal was presented and reviewed. The tax rate was adjusted to negate the effects of the county reassessment. Any adjustments to Police Department salaries will be offset with funds from Economic Development and/or reserves, on a to-be-determined/as-needed basis. A motion was made to issue a final approval of the budget draft as presented.

Motion: Watson Second: Bivens Passage: Yes: 3 (Johnson, Bivens, Watson)
No: 2 (Neal, Clay)

Ms. Kathy Ward of Dogwood Lane commended the police department and the office staff from Town Hall. She is very appreciative that Mr. Hodges is returning.

She is, however, unhappy with some other things in the town. After attending the meeting last week and speaking on several matters, she felt as if some of council did not care about the citizens' concerns and feelings.

A gentleman asked how much sales tax is required for hot dog sales.

Mr. Larry Stark of Lynn Street, spoke on behalf of Mr. Hodges. He was advised that Council had decided to re-hire Mr. Hodges earlier in the evening. He had concerns about the lack of effort trying to bring in something to the "Old Burlington" site. Mayor Poindexter extended his appreciation for Mr. Stark comments and asked him to come down to talk with him more informally on this matter.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Susan Frazier

Susan Frazier, Clerk

Gary Poindexter

Gary Poindexter, Mayor