

Council held a called meeting Thursday, August 16, 2018, at 6 p.m. at Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting opened at 6:02 p.m. with a quorum present.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Neal, Johnson, Bivens, and Adams. Not present: Watson, Clay.

A motion was made to enter closed session to discuss Prospective Business and Economic Development, as authorized by VA FOIA § 2.2-3711 (A (5)).

Motion: Bivens            Second: Johnson            Passage: Unanimous

Closed session began at 6:03 p.m. and concluded at 7:35 p.m.

A motion was made to certify that only matters pertaining to Prospective Business and Economic Development were discussed during closed session, as required by VA FOIA § 2.2-3712 (D)

Motion: Bivens            Second: Johnson            Passage: Unanimous

Council reviewed and discussed adjustments to Town Code Section 10-13, Depositing Waste Materials, onto streets. Attorney Eller suggested adding “grass clippings” and deleting the word “calculated.” After further discussion, Mr. Eller will draft changes to be reviewed at the September 4, 2018 council meeting. If satisfactory to Council, it will then be advertised for public hearing which would be held at the October 2 meeting. Mr. Elton Blackstock suggested contacting VDOT for further information concerning grass clippings on roadways.

Councilman Neal confirmed that his contact with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries is set to speak at the September meeting concerning the discharging of firearms inside town limits.

Mayor Poindexter asked Mr. Elton Blackstock for an update on the EMS. Mr. Blackstock advised that the Board of Supervisors has signed a long-term (3-year) contract with DRT (ambulance service) to cover the northern end of Pittsylvania County. He also said he had spoken to Mr. Mark Moore, Pittsylvania County Parks & Recreation Director, and a community meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 10, 2018 at 6 p.m. at Hurt Elementary School. Mr. Moore is looking at matching funds from grants to help with the renovations at Wayside Park.

Councilman Adams noted that the Nuisance Ordinances had been updated in November 2017 and commented that nine months is a long time to still have junk vehicles in yards.

Councilman Johnson asked Chief Rowland if there are any notices still pending for junk vehicles. While there are some, Chief Rowland noted that often a citizen will remove one vehicle, only to have it replaced with another soon after. When this happens, he treats it as beginning a new case.

Chief Rowland shared he has checked on the stop sign at the underpass and moving it back further on West Hurt Road. He was told by VDOT moving it back would be too close to the intersection of Church Street in that vicinity.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

*Susan Frazier*  
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Susan Frazier, Clerk

*Gary Poindexter*  
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Gary Poindexter, Mayor