

WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES



Council for the City of Waynesboro, Virginia held a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, December 12, 2022 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 503 W. Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, Mayor Henderson presiding and calling the meeting to order. This meeting was also viewable by accessing the City’s YouTube Channel and Government Access Channel.

PRESENT: Council Members: Bobby Henderson, Mayor
Lana Williams, Vice Mayor
Bruce Allen, Council member
Sam Hostetter, Council member
Terry Short, Jr., Council member

City Staff: Michael Hamp, City Manager
Todd Wood, Assistant City Manager - Operations
Cameron McCormick, Assistant City Manager – Finance
Michael Wilhelm Assistant City Manager – Public Safety
Julia Bortle, Clerk of the Council
David Shaw, Police Chief
Alisande Tombarge, Senior City Planner

Counsel: Melisa Michelsen, Esq., Litten & Sipe, LLC

Guest: Ms. Megan Argenbright, MSA, CPA, Brown Edwards
Certified Public Accountants

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mayor Henderson called the meeting to order and lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The procedure for the public hearing and the citizen comment period was explained.

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Council member Short moved to adopt the meeting agenda. Having been seconded and with no objections, the meeting agenda was adopted 5:0:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR

The mayor attended the annual Fire Department banquet held in appreciation for the firefighters and retirees, stating he enjoyed sharing the event with the first responders and received the good news that every vacant position in the fire department has been filled. He stated that the Police Department is also experiencing an increase in recruiting. This meeting is the last council meeting for himself and Dr Hostetter and he thanked staff for the years of hard work.

MATTERS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council member Hostetter provided his COVID-19 update. He thanked staff and citizens for giving him the opportunity to serve on the City Council. He is anxious for the opportunities coming in the future including the Greenway Extension and the Museum of Natural History extension.

Council member Allen thanked Dr. Hostetter and Mayor Henderson for their service.

Council member Short read the following resolution which was then presented to Dr. Hostetter:

RESOLUTION R22-32

WHEREAS, The Honorable Dr. Samuel A. Hostetter, Waynesboro City Councilman, has served four years as a member of the Waynesboro City Council, from 2018 to 2022, and,

WHEREAS, during his tenure on City Council, Dr. Hostetter was instrumental in bringing the Virginia Museum of Natural History to downtown Waynesboro, extending the South River Greenway, and approving the South River Preserve. Sam fulfilled two terms on the Parks and Recreation Commission and was instrumental in appointing qualified candidates to various boards and commissions, ensuring continuity of service to the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, along with his exemplary service to the City of Waynesboro and its citizens, Dr. Hostetter has been a family practice physician at Stuarts Draft Family Practice, having joined that practice in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hostetter's accomplishments include numerous activities that go beyond the boundaries of a Council member's responsibilities, including hosting constituent meetings enabling citizens to ask questions and get information on local government and city projects, and as a councilman and a physician serving during the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Hostetter regularly keep citizens apprised of health issues and CDC updates; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hostetter is a consummate civic leader, being active in the boy scouts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Waynesboro, Virginia, on behalf of all employees and citizens of this City, as well as all others who have appreciated Dr. Hostetter's sense of duty and effective manner of serving Waynesboro so well, that this Resolution of Commendation be unanimously adopted in sincere appreciation and tribute to the exceptional public service to us all and to our city by

DR. SAMUEL A. HOSTETTER

And;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting and that copies hereof be presented to Dr. Hostetter in token of our respect and esteem.

Witness our Signatures and Seals this 12th day of December, 2022.

Vice Mayor Williams then read the following resolution which was then presented to Mayor Henderson:

RESOLUTION R22-31

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert “Bobby” Henderson, has worked diligently for four (4) years as a member of the Waynesboro City Council, serving as Vice Mayor from 2018-2020 and as Mayor from 2020-2022, as well as performing civic service on other important public bodies including service on the Planning Commission, in which capacities he demonstrated notable qualities of interest, perseverance, and optimism, while providing strong leadership and manifested dedication to the public good; and

WHEREAS, his interest in the concerns of all Waynesboro citizens reflected a sincere belief in the importance of his role as one of the five elected members of City Council and proved to be an enthusiastic and dedicated leader for many projects and initiatives benefitting the community and strengthening the municipal organization, including advocating for improving the City’s budget and strategic planning processes, promoting economic and downtown development and serving as an advocate for neighborhoods and citizens of Waynesboro; and

WHEREAS, along with his dedicated service to the City of Waynesboro, he is retired from the Virginia State Police after serving as a trooper, sergeant, and special agent. Bobby is currently employed by NEFCO Fire Investigations as their Southern United States Fire Operations Manager; and,

WHEREAS, prior to his public service in law enforcement, Bobby was in the United States Army for six years starting in 1979 where he was recognized as an exemplary soldier of his unit, and promoted to MP at Headquarters Company 4th Infantry Division before joining the Army Reserve as a drill sergeant. In 2010 he was recruited and deployed to Afghanistan where he patrolled for 18 months until 2011.

WHEREAS, Bobby’s devotion to his family: his wife Peggy, his daughter and his grandchildren, is further inspiration to all of us; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Waynesboro, Virginia, being joined by others in the community, honor Mr. Bobby Henderson, for his accomplishments as a Council leader, civic leader and citizen. The Waynesboro City Council resolves that this Resolution of Commendation be unanimously adopted in sincere appreciation for the outstanding service rendered by

MR. ROBERT “BOBBY” HENDERSON

And;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be filed with the minutes of this meeting and that copies hereof be presented to Mr. Henderson in token of our respect and esteem.

Witness our Signatures and Seals this 12th day of December, 2022.

Vice Mayor Williams the thanked Mayor Henderson for his dedication and stated her appreciation for respecting her opinion even when it differed from his own.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Hostetter moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Having been seconded and with no objections, the consent agenda was adopted 5:0:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

- a. Consider adopting the minutes from the November 28, 2022 Regular Business Meeting.
- b. Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance amending the fiscal year 2023 budget in the amount of \$7,137,941. **(2022-58)**
- c. Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 66-4 of the City Code regarding bulk refuse. **(2022-59)**

PROCLAMATION - MR. BART LANMAN, BASIC CITY BEER COMPANY

The mayor read the following proclamation, acknowledging Mr. Bart Lanman, Founder of the Basic City Beer Company, in Basic City Waynesboro, VA:

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION (P22-21)

WHEREAS, Mr. Bart Lanman has been a member of the Waynesboro business community for more than eight years, serving this city in many important ways, and he continues to grow and expand his successful business; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lanman, considered the “mayor” of Basic City, was the Co-Founder, Director of Operations, Sales and Marketing, of Basic City Beer Company before becoming its President, a craft beer business named for Basic City, Virginia,

WHEREAS, Basic City Beer Company earned the Independent Craft Brewer Seal, designating a brewery known for creating community and innovation and that they’ve built a worldwide reputation for brewing incredible craft beer; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lanman has supported programs for growth and progress and contributed to the fabric of the East Main Street corridor of Waynesboro; and,

WHEREAS, along with being a successful entrepreneur, Mr. Lanman is a loving husband and father who enjoys off-roading as much as he enjoys developing craft beers; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bobby Henderson., Mayor of the City of Waynesboro, along with the City Council of Waynesboro, do hereby deem it an honor and pleasure to extend this Certificate of Recognition to

MR. BART LANMAN

for putting Waynesboro on the Craft Beer map, with sincere congratulations and best wishes for many more happy, productive years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand, and cause the seal of Waynesboro to be affixed, this

12th day of December, 2022.

Mr. Lanman was then presented with the framed proclamation and congratulated and thanked for his success and contributions to the community.

PRESENTATION - ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

The Assistant City Manager-Finance presented the fiscal year 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, as required by the state code. He reviewed some of the information now and it will be reviewed in further detail at the February, 2023 council retreat. This review included the independent auditor’s report, the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), and the letter to those in charge of the local government.

ORDINANCE – SECOND CONSIDERATION - REZONING OF 1040 RESERVOIR STREET

Council was asked to give final consideration to an ordinance rezoning 1040 Reservoir Street from RG-5, General Residential, to R-MF, Multi-Family Residential upon application by Mr. Jacob Turner. This ordinance was tabled at the October 25, 2021 regular council meeting *[and tabled generally at the November 8, 2021 regular business meeting]*. The Senior Planner reviewed the application as presented at that time. Staff did not recommend approval but the Planning Commission recommended approval 4-3:

The applicant then spoke about the proffers that allowed adequate parking and green space.

Council member Short moved to deny the request to rezone 1040 Reservoir Street from RG-5 to R-MF. The motion was seconded and the ordinance denied on a 4-1 vote:

Mayor Henderson	Nay	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The Senior Planner reviewed the Citizen Participation Plan, a required element to the Community Development Block Grant Program (*attachment 47-53*). The Plan is posted on the city’s website, www.waynesboro.va.us. To make the plan for expansive and accommodating, staff listed additional locations where the CCP documents will be made available for public review and comment.

The public hearing was opened at 7:50 p.m. With no one signed up to speak, the public hearing was closed. Council member Hostetter moved to amend the Citizen Participation Plan. Having been seconded and with no further discussion, the amended Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) was adopted 5:0:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

RESOLUTION - PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 200-220 OSAGE LANE

Council member Hostetter moved to adopt a resolution authorizing the city manager to take the necessary steps to acquire property located at 200-220 Osage Lane for the purpose of building a west end fire station for the price of \$1,070,400 and ratifies the contract. Having been seconded and with no further discussion, the resolution was adopted 5:0:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

**RESOLUTION ^{R22-33}
APPROVING CONTRACT
FOR THE PURCHASE OF 200-220 OSAGE LANE**

WHEREAS, the City of Waynesboro, Virginia (the “City”) desires to acquire land for the construction of a future fire station; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified 2.64 acres, more or less, located at 200-220 Osage Lane as a property suitable for a fire station; and

WHEREAS, the City has entered into a contract to purchase, subject to ratification by the City Council, 200-220 Osage Lane for the price of \$1,070,400, which price is the same as the assessed value; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission for the City of Waynesboro has approved the future placement of a fire station upon the subject property as being in conformity with the City’s Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Virginia Code § 15.2-2232; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to approve and ratify the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Waynesboro, Virginia that:

1. The Contract for Purchase and Sale of Real Estate dated October 19, 2022, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, for the purchase of 2.64 acres, more or less, located at 200-220 Osage Lane for the price of \$1,070,400, is approved and ratified.
2. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take such actions as may be reasonably necessary to affect the purpose of this Resolution, including without limitation execution of closing documents, acceptance of a deed, acquisition of title insurance, and payment of the purchase price and other closing expenses.

ATTEST: _____
Clerk, City Council

Mayor, City Council

COMMUNICATION, CORRESPONDENCE, AND CALENDAR

Outgoing Council Reception: The City Manager invited all present to join in the modest reception acknowledging the service of the two outgoing council members at the conclusion of this meeting.

Outdoor Drinking Areas – Code Amendment: The City Attorney asked Council to consider an opportunity through state legislation to provide new and different opportunities for alcohol-serving establishments, such as Commonwealth Crush and Basic City Brewery, to use common areas to serve alcohol. Council is asked to assess the desire to do that and direct staff to pursue it or if they want further opportunity to consider it. The Alcohol Beverage Control Authority (ABC) has extended those opportunities. It would require amending the Waynesboro City Code to accommodate those types of licenses. It was the consensus of Council for the City Attorney to draft a code amendment ordinance to bring back to council for consideration.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

Sharon van Name, Waynesboro: spoke in favor of bulk refuse fee but voiced concerns about the adopted ordinance.

ADJOURN

Council member Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. Having been seconded and with no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m. on an affirmative 5:0 vote:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Aye
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Hostetter	Aye
		Council member Short	Aye

Julia Bortle, MMC, Clerk of Council

Bobby Henderson, Mayor