

TOWN OF SCOTTSVILLE

Town Council
Regular Session
Monday, January 24, 2005
Victory Hall
401 Valley Street
Scottsville, Virginia

Mayor
R. Stephen Phipps

Town Council
Lillian M. Copeland
James P. Hogan
Jeannette E. Kerlin
Robert E. O'Halloran
Craig N. Stratton
James M. Svetich

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor R. Stephen Phipps called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
3. ROLL CALL of Town Council – Clerk of Council Amy Moyer called the roll. Councilors Copeland, Hogan, Kerlin and O'Halloran were present. Also in attendance was Town Administrator Barry Clark.
4. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - 4.1. Financial Report for December 2004 (Tab 1.4)
 - 4.2. Approval of Agenda
 - 4.3. Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting of December 20, 2004 (Tab 5.1)
 - 4.4. Adoption of Revised Personnel Policy (Tab 3.2)
 - 4.5. Re-adoption of Non-Discrimination Policy (Required for Community Development Block Grant)
 - 4.6. Adoption of Local Business and Employment Plan (Required for Community Development Block Grant)
 - 4.7. Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan Certification (Required for Community Development Block Grant)
 - 4.8. Fair Housing Certification (Required for Community Development Block Grant)

Mr. Hogan moved to adopt the consent calendar, noting that several items were required for an upcoming CDBG application for \$125,000 in business assistance and economic development funds. Ms. Kerlin seconded the motion; she remarked that the personnel policy may come up again as further changes are made. The consent calendar was adopted by voice vote.
5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Phipps explained concerns regarding the leaded glass sign at the former Bruce's Drug Store building; Virginia law does not permit the advertisement of drugs if they are not for sale at that location. Mayor Phipps asked Delegate Rob Bell to sponsor legislation removing this prohibition for historic buildings, and he was scheduled to testify in support of the legislation on January 26.
6. PUBLIC FORUM – No one rose to speak during the public forum.

7. PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE SECTIONS
17.3.1.1 AND 17.4.1.2 [Flood Hazard Overlay District]; VARIOUS SECTIONS
[Recodification of Title 15.1 of the Code of Virginia to Title 15.2] (Tab 4.1)

Mr. Clark noted that the flood hazard overlay district amendments reflect the approval date of the new FEMA flood maps and a departmental name change. Ms. Kerlin moved to approve the amendments, as proposed. Mr. O'Halloran seconded the motion, and a roll-call vote ensued.

Ms. Copeland <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Kerlin <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Stratton <u>Absent</u>
Mr. Hogan <u>Yes</u>	Mr. O'Halloran <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Svetich <u>Absent</u>

The motion passed 4-0.

8. APPROPRIATION OF \$525 FOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS PHOTO BY STUDIO 55 (Tab 4.3)

Mayor Phipps commented that, as no one had volunteered to design a mural for the Council Chambers, bids were sought for enlarging Edna Anderson's photo. Mr. Hogan moved to appropriate \$525 for a photo enlargement by Studio 55. Ms. Kerlin seconded the motion, and a roll-call vote ensued.

Ms. Copeland <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Kerlin <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Stratton <u>Absent</u>
Mr. Hogan <u>Yes</u>	Mr. O'Halloran <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Svetich <u>Absent</u>

The motion passed 4-0.

9. REPORTS OF CHARTERED COMMITTEES AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Economic Development: Mayor Phipps reported that a CDBG draft proposal had been received; the proposal requests \$60,000 for a part-time consultant salary over two years, as well as funds for a microloan program, marketing, and administrative expenses. Mayor Phipps noted that the consultant would likely work out of the Chamber of Commerce office. No matching funds would be required for this grant.

Tourism: Mr. O'Halloran reported that he had attended a Jamestown 2007 meeting at the General Assembly building; suggestions for Scottsville's 2007 celebration are welcomed. Mr. O'Halloran planned to attend a state tourism department meeting. He also reported on a meeting with Jeffrey Plank and Lillian Copeland regarding a historic book. Minor changes may be made to the walking tour map before reprinting, with more extensive revisions after Streetscape. Mr. O'Halloran also remarked on the number of town businesses closing.

Government Services: Ms. Kerlin reported that the January 27 meeting would cover revisions to the town seal, spot-blight legislation, and trash billing.

Quality of Life: Mr. Hogan reported that Streetscape plans are still in the VDOT review

process. He referenced a *Daily Progress* article on Bradford pear trees, which often lose one-third to one-half of their shape due to splintering limbs by age 10; the town's Bradford pear trees are more than 20 years old. He stated that the infrastructure improvements are key, with the new storm drain system and water connections, as infrastructure problems would need to be corrected even without the Streetscape Project. Mr. Hogan also reported on an opportunity to work with the state and county on a trails program.

Historic Preservation: Ms. Copeland reported on her committee's work on an architectural and social history publication, with a similar Leesburg publication as a model. They are trying to find allies and fundraise, and the publication could be offered for sale when completed.

10. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Mr. Dorrier had no report.

11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Clark reported on the budget process and explained the Streetscape drawdown procedure.

12. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.