

AGENDA--CITY COUNCIL -- CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA
Council Chambers – Municipal Building
7:00 pm CLOSED SESSION **7:30 pm regular session**
October 22, 2013

7:00--Closed Session

1. Items to be considered in Closed Session, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 2.2, Chapter 37—Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3711(A)—Closed Meetings, the following:
 - A. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as authorized by Subsection 7.
 - B. Appointments to boards and commissions as authorized by Subsection 1.

7:30—Regular Session

Invocation & Pledge to the American Flag-Council Member Mark Stroud

1. Consider approval of City Council meeting minutes of September 9, 2013 tour and September 9, 2013 Neighborhood meeting. (2 mins)
2. Presentation of proclamation regarding Domestic Violence Awareness Month. (2 mins)
3. Hear staff update-property maintenance. (45 mins)
4. Hear update-telecommunications report. (30 mins)
5. Hear staff update-refuse report. (30 mins)
6. Business from the Floor
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 - (1) come to the podium and state name and address;**
 - (2) state the matter that they wish to discuss and what action they would like for Council to take;**
 - (3) limit remarks to five minutes;**
 - (4) refrain from making any personal references or accusations of a factually false and/or malicious nature.****Persons who violate these guidelines will be ruled out of order by the presiding officer and will be asked to leave the podium.**
Persons who refuse to comply with the direction of the presiding officer may be removed from the chambers.
7. Comments by members of City Council. (5 minutes)
8. Comments by City Manager. (5 minutes)



City Council Agenda Summary

Meeting Date: October 22, 2013

Item No: 1.

Department: Clerk of Council

Issue: Consider approval of minutes of City Council meeting September 9, 2013 tour and September 9, 2013 Neighborhood Meeting.

Summary: None

Attachments: September 9, 2013 minutes-tour
September 9, 2013 minutes-Neighborhood meeting

Recommendations: Motion to approve minutes as presented

September 9, 2013

The City Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia, assembled on September 9, 2013 at 5:30 P.M. to tour the Druid Hills/Uptown area neighborhoods prior to their quarterly Neighborhood Focus Meeting scheduled for September 9, 2013 at 7:30pm at the City School Administrative Office, 746 Indian Trail.

Council Members present for the tour included: Mayor Kim Adkins, Vice Mayor Gene Teague, Council Member Sharon Brooks Hodge and Council Member Mark Stroud. Council Member Danny Turner was absent. Others present included: Leon Towarnicki, Andy Powers, Officer Coretha Gravely, and Martinsville Bulletin reporter.

No other business was conducted during the tour and immediately after the tour ended, Council members disbursed.

Brenda Prillaman
Clerk of Council

Kim Adkins
Mayor

September 9, 2013

Martinsville City Council Neighborhood Meeting for the Druid Hills/Uptown area neighborhoods was held on September 9, 2013, at City Schools Administrative Office, 746 Indian Trail, Martinsville, VA at 7:30 PM, with Mayor Kim Adkins calling the meeting to order. Council members present included Gene Teague, Mark Stroud, Sr., Sharon Brooks Hodge and Danny Turner. Staff present: Leon Towarnicki, Brenda Prillaman, Eric Monday, Marshall Thomas, Coretha Gravely, Kenneth Draper, and Andy Powers. Four citizens were present.

Mayor Adkins asked Andy Powers to present his property maintenance report and an update on Council's 5:30pm tour of the area.

Mayor Adkins then opened the floor for public comment. Comments were heard from four citizens: Lois Christensen of Prospect Hill Drive-concerns with excessive heavy equipment traffic and a property maintenance issue on Prospect Hill, need for backyard maintenance ordinance, Henry Hotel and Harvest Foundation funding questions; Big Chair Uptown costs, ongoing aging infrastructure needs and questions on future funding, and unemployment figures for the area. Imogene Draper of 1035 Mulberry-questions on Arts & Cultural Committee increasing member numbers and expressed appreciation to Council for collaboration with NCI. Lee Anne Fuller of 710 Beechnut Lane-expressed her appreciation for all the efforts for the successful Culture Crawl held Uptown. Lonnie Carter of Corn Tassel Trail-concerns on issues for all citizens to be able to get in the door to the budget meetings.

There being no further business, Mayor Adkins adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Brenda Prillaman
Clerk of Council

Kim E. Adkins
Mayor



City Council Agenda Summary

Meeting Date: October 22, 2013

Item No: 2.

Department: City Council

Issue: Presentation of proclamation recognizing Domestic Violence Awareness Month October 2013.

Summary: Beth Ann James, Interim Director, will be present to accept the proclamation.

Attachments: Proclamation

Recommendations: Presentation only.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a critical issue that is distressing the citizens of Martinsville on a daily basis. Domestic violence is not confined to any group of people but occurs across all socioeconomic and racial boundaries; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, psychological, and economic abuse; and

WHEREAS, one out of four American women will experience domestic violence at some point in her life, and

WHEREAS, children from violent homes are more likely to be involved in violent criminal activity in the future than their non-abused peers; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of October as domestic violence awareness month, enables survivors to share their stories of triumph over adversity. Citizens Against Family Violence has partnered with Patrick Henry Community College for the Red Flag Campaign, a program through the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance to promote healthy relationship awareness on statewide college campuses. On October 24, Citizens Against Family Violence will participate with domestic violence training at New College Institute and on October 25, the Take Back the Night 2013 event will be held.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the important work done by Citizens Against Family Violence, Inc. and for the empowerment of domestic violence survivors everywhere,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Kim Adkins, Mayor, designate the month of **October 2013** as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the City of Martinsville.

Kim Adkins
Mayor



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Item No: 3.

Department: Inspections/Fire

Issue: Hear a staff update on property maintenance.

Summary: City Staff will provide this update.

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Information only; No action necessary



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Meeting Date: October 22, 2013

Item No: 4.

Department: Telecommunications

Issue: Hear a staff update on telecommunications/fiber optic network.

Summary: City Staff will provide this update.

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Information only; No action necessary



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Meeting Date: October 22, 2013

Item No: 5.

Department: Public Works/Refuse

Issue: Hear a staff quarterly update from Public Works/Refuse.

Summary: City Staff will provide this update.

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Information only; No action necessary