

December 9, 2014

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia, was held on December 9, 2014, in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, at 7:30 PM, Closed Session beginning at 7:00pm, with Mayor Kim Adkins presiding. Council Members present included: Mayor Kim Adkins, Vice Mayor Gene Teague, Sharon Brooks Hodge, Mark Stroud, Danny Turner and Council-Member Elect Jennifer Bowles. Staff present included: Leon Towarnicki, City Manager, Brenda Prillaman, Eric Monday, Linda Conover, Wayne Knox, Andy Lash, Dennis Bowles and Sean Dunn.

Mayor Adkins called the meeting to order and advised Council will go into Closed Session. In accordance with Section 2.1-344 (A) of the Code of Virginia (1950, and as amended) and upon a motion by Danny Turner, seconded by Mark Stroud, with the following 5-0 recorded vote: Adkins, aye; Teague, aye; Hodge, aye; Stroud, aye; and Turner, aye, Council convened in Closed Session, for the purpose of discussing the following matters: (A) Appointments to boards and commissions as authorized by Subsection 1. (B) discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City of Martinsville would be adversely affected, as authorized by Subsection 6. (C) 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. At the conclusion of Closed Session, each returning member of Council certified that (1) only public business matters exempt from open meeting requirements were discussed in said Closed Session; and (2) only those business matters identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed, or considered during the Session. On a motion by Mark Stroud, seconded by Sharon Brooks Hodge, with the following recorded 5-0 vote: Adkins, aye; Teague, aye; Hodge, aye; Stroud, aye; and Turner, aye, Council returned to Open Session.

Board appointment action taken:

Board of Zoning Appeals—Michael Hendricks, 903 Gates St., appointed to a 5 year unexpired term ending 9/22/19 on a motion by Danny Turner, seconded by Mark Stroud, with a 5-0 vote. David Hodges, 901 Clarke Rd., reappointed to a 5 year unexpired term ending 9/22/19 on a motion by Gene Teague, seconded by Sharon Brooks Hodge with a 5-0 vote.

Patrick Henry Community College Board: John McCraw, 1724 Meadowview Lane, appointed to a 4 year unexpired term ending 6/30/16 on a motion by Sharon Brooks Hodge, seconded by Mark Stroud, with a 5-0 vote.

Following the invocation by Vice Mayor Gene Teague and Pledge to the American Flag, the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and announced an agenda item has been added regarding an update from HD Web Studio. She then turned the meeting over to Vice Mayor Gene Teague.

Recognition of Mayor Kim Adkins: Vice Mayor Teague read a proclamation honoring outgoing Mayor Kim Adkins and he and other Council members presented her with a Key to the City. Mayor Adkins & her spouse, Jeff, then hung her photo on the wall of mayors of the city on display in Council Chambers. Numerous citizens then made comments thanking Mayor Adkins for her service to the city.

Proclamation-Virginia Organizing: Mayor Adkins presented a proclamation recognizing Virginia Organizing for 20 years of service.

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Addendum-HD Web Studio update: Beth Deatherage and Melany Stowe announced their entry won the competition and expressed appreciation for support after the initial presentation was made at the November 25, 2014 Council meeting.

General Assembly discussion: Delegate Les Adams updated Council on issues relevant to our community being addressed in the General Assembly session and encouraged continued input from all citizens to his office.

Farmers Market update-Pat Folio: Council was updated on ongoing and future activities at the Farmer's Market Uptown.

City Council Organizational meeting: On a motion by Mark Stroud, seconded by Sharon Brooks Hodge, with a 5-0 vote, Council agreed to set January 5, 2015 as the date for the upcoming Organizational meeting.

Staff update on Housing Office administrative transfer: Wayne Knox provided Council an update on ongoing correspondence with HUD regarding transfer. He noted a verbal agreement has been given and a confirmation letter will be forthcoming regarding the date of actual transfer.

Consider approval of recommendation to proceed with engineering and design services for repairs to a section of the City's 42 inch Smith River Sewer Interceptor: On a motion by Gene Teague, seconded by Mark Stroud, with a 5-0 vote, Council agreed to approve authorizing the execution of documents providing for engineering design and construction phase services as prepared by Dewberry Engineers, Inc., not to exceed \$234,000. Information will be provided for Council approval at a later date regarding construction cost, schedule and project financing.

Consider approval to proceed with Performance Contract Agreement related to several potential projects: Information was presented by City Manager Leon Towarnicki, Utilities Director Dennis Bowles, and Johnson Controls representative Whitt Blake regarding replacement of the City's aging water and electric meters and the possibility of combining such a project with Waste Water Plant upgrades and LED conversion of City streetlights into a performance contract. Under such a contract, savings that are achieved resulting from project implementation are used to offset and finance project costs over the length of the performance contract period, with the intent being to make the project "budget neutral". The City recently completed such a project related to building energy improvements that saw much-needed building lighting and HVAC work accomplished, using the energy and maintenance savings from improved efficiencies to offset costs. On a motion by Gene Teague, seconded by Mark Stroud, with a 5-0 vote, Council approved authorizing execution of the Performance Contracting Project Development Agreement with Johnson Controls, with the understanding that information will be provided for Council approval at a later date regarding project construction cost, schedule, and project financing.

Consent agenda: On a motion by Danny Turner, seconded by Gene Teague, with a 5-0 vote, Council approved the following consent agenda:

BUDGET ADDITIONS FOR 12/9/14				
ORG	OBJECT	DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
<u>FY15</u>				
<u>General Fund:</u>				
01100909	490104	Advance/Recovered Costs		2,067
01331108	501300	Sheriff/Corrections - Part-time & Temporary Wages	1,500	
01331108	502100	Sheriff/Corrections - Social Security	93	
01331108	502110	Sheriff/Corrections - Medicare	22	
01331108	506008	Sheriff/Corrections - Vehicle Equipment & Maint.	300	
01331110	506200	Sheriff/Annex - Prisoner Allowance	152	

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		Reimbursement from Henry County for litter pickup for October		
01100909	490104	Advance/Recovered Costs		420
01331108	501200	Sheriff/Corrections - Overtime	390	
01331108	502100	Sheriff/Corrections - Social Security	24	
01331108	502110	Sheriff/Corrections - Medicare	6	
		Reimbursement for security coverage		
Total General Fund:			2,487	2,487
School Fund:				
18103919	489904	Harvest		130,000
81621310	563000	Purchased Services	25,500	
81621310	563142	Professional Development	7,200	
81621310	565503	Travel	37,200	
81621310	565800	Miscellaneous Expense	2,220	
81621310	566013	Instructional Materials	4,980	
81621310	566000	Materials & Supplies	900	
81631310	563000	Purchased Services	17,000	
81631310	563142	Professional Development	4,800	
81631310	565503	Travel	24,800	
81631310	566013	Instructional Materials	3,320	
81631310	566000	Materials & Supplies	600	
		Harvest Grant Funding		
Total School Fund:			130,000	130,000

Business from floor: Sydney Lee, 127 Sellers St. comments on the need to advertise the quality of life of our area more; Alexis Lee, 127 Sellers St. corrected herself in not calling Council Member Hodge by her correct name.

Council comments: Hodge-reported a house fire on Fayette Street has left a couple in need of a house and a fund has been set up and she expressed condolences to Tyler Millner family in their recent loss. Teague-expressed appreciation again to Kim Adkins for all her hard work on city council and she will be missed; Stroud-echoed Mr. Teague's remarks about Kim Adkins and wished all a Merry Christmas; Turner-also echoed Mr. Teague's remarks about Kim Adkins and thanked her for the good job she did in representing the city and for her sound advice to him. Mr. Turner also expressed condolences to the family of Cynthia Brodie Stadler.

City Manager comments: Mr. Towarnicki expressed his appreciation to Kim Adkins and noted it has been an honor to work with her to move the city forward during her time on Council; he also reported the medical school TROF grant application will actually be for \$800,000 and not the original \$3million amount.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Brenda Prillaman
Clerk of Council

Kim Adkins
Mayor