

AGENDA--CITY COUNCIL -- CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA
Council Chambers – Municipal Building
7:00 pm Closed Session 7:30 pm regular session
Tuesday, July 28, 2015

7:00—Closed Session

- A. Appointments to boards and commissions as authorized by Subsection 1.
- B. 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.

7:30—Regular Session

Invocation & Pledge to the American Flag- Council Member Gene Teague

1. Present a Proclamation honoring the Martinsville High School Girls Tennis Team for their accomplishments this past season (5 mins)
2. Present a Proclamation honoring the Martinsville High School Boys Soccer Team for their accomplishments this past season (5 mins)
3. Presentation of Proclamation regarding August 4, 2015 National Night Out (5 mins)
4. Hear an update from Jennifer Doss, Director of Tourism for the Martinsville-Henry County Economic Development Corporation (15 mins)
5. Hear quarterly staff update on Utilities, Electric, Water & Sewer (20 mins)
6. Discussion of schedule and locations FY16 City Council Neighborhood Meetings (5mins)

7. Business from the Floor

This section of the Council meeting provides citizens the opportunity to discuss matters, which are not listed on the printed agenda. In that the Council meetings are broadcast on Martinsville Government Television, the City Council is responsible for the content of the programming. Thus, any person wishing to bring a matter to Council's attention under this Section of the agenda should:

- (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.

13. Comments by members of City Council. (5 minutes)

14. Comments by City Manager. (5 minutes)

Meeting Date: July 28, 2015

Item No: 1.

Department: Mayor and Council

Issue: Present a Proclamation honoring the Martinsville High School Girls Tennis Team for their accomplishments this past season.

Summary: For the second year in a row the Martinsville High School Lady Bulldogs Tennis Team won the Group 2A West/River Run Conference 38 championship. The team went on to compete in the VHSL Group 2A West Championships at Virginia Tech but came up short against in the quarterfinals against Central Wise, who went on to play in the state finals.

Team members are Violet Mazurek, Vicki Easley, Kate Dietrich, Allison French, Alexah Eure, Brie Thurman, Lilly Herndon, Jenise Draper, Steffany Ortiz, Stephany Paredes and Nicole Pettie. Coaches are Debbie Easley and Rebecca Crabtree

Attachments: Proclamation honoring the MHS Girls Tennis Team

Recommendations: No action needed by Council



Proclamation

HONORING THE MARTINSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS TEAM

WHEREAS, Martinsville High School is a member of the Virginia High School League, competing in the Piedmont District with other local and regional teams in a variety of high school sports; and

WHEREAS, the Martinsville High School Girls/Lady Bulldogs Tennis Team completed an outstanding year, winning for the second year in a row the VHSL Group 2A West/River Run Conference 38 Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Bulldogs Tennis Team advanced to compete in the Group 2A West championships held at Virginia Tech, losing to eventual Group 2A finalist Central Wise; and

WHEREAS, team members are Violet Mazurek, Vicki Easley, Kate Dietrich, Allison French, Alexah Eure, Brie Thurman, Lilly Herndon, Jenise Draper, Steffany Ortiz, Stephany Paredes, and Nicole Pettie; and

WHEREAS, coaches Debbie Easley, Rebecca Crabtree, and the Lady Bulldog players are to be congratulated for their hard work, dedication, and outstanding achievement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 28th day of July 2015, that the Martinsville City Council hereby recognizes and commends the Martinsville High School Lady Bulldogs Tennis Team for their extraordinary achievement in winning the Conference 38 Championship, for advancing to Group 2A State play, and for being a source of pride for our entire community.

Danny Turner, Mayor

Meeting Date: July 28, 2015

Item No: 2.

Department: Mayor and Council

Issue: Present a Proclamation honoring the Martinsville High School Boys Soccer Team for their accomplishments this past season.

Summary: This past season, the Martinsville High School Boys Soccer Team won the Group 2A West/River Run Conference 38 championship. The team advanced to compete in the 2015 VHSL State Championship round at Radford University on June 12th and 13th, winning their semi-final match against Riverheads, but came up short in the finals against last year's and repeating 2A State Champion, George Mason.

Team members are Bryce Worley, Joshua Penn, Jordan Philpott, Jacob Salas, Darden Bela, Zach Dickerson, Lorenz Hill, Chris Bennett, Kyle Hathaway, Avery Mills, Jose Carrillo, Noe Garcia, Matt Handy, Brandon Minter, Griffen Boaz, John Thomas Myers, Jay Dandridge, Sam Dickerson, Corey Jones, Alex Martinez, Max Pinkston, Brian Finley, and Carlos Hernandez. Head Coach is Pete Scouras, Assistant Coaches – Lynn Murphy, Matt Rowe, and Mike Welch; Volunteer Coaches – Grant Boaz, Bryson Collins, Zach Corcoran, and Tommy Vessella; Manager – Jadakuis Mitchell; and Team Trainer – Zach Tybus.

Attachments: Proclamation honoring the MHS Boys Soccer Team

Recommendations: No action needed by Council



Proclamation

HONORING THE MARTINSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER TEAM

WHEREAS, Martinsville High School is a member of the Virginia High School League, competing in the Piedmont District with other local and regional teams in a variety of high school sports; and

WHEREAS, the Martinsville High School Boys Soccer Team completed an outstanding year, winning the VHSL Group 2A West/River Run Conference 38 Championship; and

WHEREAS, the MHS Boys Soccer Team advanced to compete in the Group 2A State Championship round held at Radford University on June 12th and 13th, losing in the finals to repeating 2A State Champion, George Mason; and

WHEREAS, team members are Bryce Worley, Joshua Penn, Jordan Philpott, Jacob Salas, Darden Bela, Zach Dickerson, Lorenz Hill, Chris Bennett, Kyle Hathaway, Avery Mills, Jose Carrillo, Noe Garcia, Matt Handy, Brandon Minter, Griffen Boaz, John Thomas Myers, Jay Dandridge, Sam Dickerson, Corey Jones, Alex Martinez, Max Pinkston, Brian Finley, and Carlos Hernandez; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Pete Scouras; Assistant Coaches Lynn Murphy, Matt Rowe, and Mike Welsh; Volunteer Coaches Grant Boaz, Bryson Collins, Zach Corcoran, and Tommy Vessella; Manager Jadakuis Mitchell; and Team Trainer Zach Tybus; and all the team players are to be congratulated for their hard work, dedication, and outstanding achievement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 28th day of July 2015, that the Martinsville City Council hereby recognizes and commends the Martinsville High School Boys Soccer Team for their extraordinary achievement in winning the Conference 38 Championship, for advancing to the Group 2A finals, and for being a source of pride for our entire community.

Danny Turner, Mayor

Meeting Date: July 28, 2014

Item No: 3.

Department: City Council

Issue: Presentation of proclamation regarding August 4, 2015 National Night Out.

Summary: Officer Coretha Gravely and captains of several City Neighborhood Watch Groups will be present to accept the proclamation.

Attachments: Proclamation

Recommendations: Presentation only



PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
August 4, 2015

WHEREAS, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on August 4, 2015 entitled “National Night Out”; and

WHEREAS, the Annual National Night Out provides a unique opportunity for the City of Martinsville to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, Martinsville City Council plays a vital role in assisting the Martinsville Police Department and Sheriff’s Office through joint crime, drug and violence prevention efforts in the City of Martinsville and is supporting “National Night Out 2015” locally; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that all citizens of Martinsville be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and impact that their participation in Neighborhood Watch groups and their community can have on reducing crime, drugs and violence in Martinsville; and

WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the “National Night Out” and Neighborhood Watch programs; now, therefore

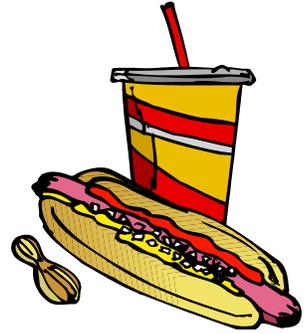
I, Danny Turner, Mayor of the City of Martinsville, Virginia, do hereby call upon all citizens of Martinsville to join City Council and the National Association of Town Watch in supporting the “Annual National Night Out” and do hereby proclaim **Tuesday, August 4, 2015 as NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME** in the City of Martinsville.

Danny Turner
Mayor

32nd Annual National Night Out



Tuesday August 4, 2015
6:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.



4 LOCATIONS TO CHOOSE FROM:

**First Baptist Church of East Martinsville
1043 East Church St**

**McCabe Memorial Baptist Church
107 Clearview Dr**

**Agape Bible Christian Fellowship
240 East Market Street**

**Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church
824 Starling Ave**

National Night Out provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of Martinsville to join forces with many other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police/community crime prevention efforts and assisting the Martinsville Police Department in crime, drug, and violence prevention. All citizens of Martinsville should be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and the impact that their participation in Neighborhood Watch can have in their community reducing crimes.

**PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH OF YOUR CHOICE
COME OUT AND HAVE FUN!!**

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

America's Night Out Against Crime

If crime has a grip on your neighborhood, it's hard to take the first step. People are afraid that if they act, criminals will take revenge. You can counter this fear, and protect each other, by working closely with police and getting involved with your community Neighborhood Watch Group.

'Give neighborhood crime and drugs a going away party' more than 10,000 communities will join forces on August 4, 2015 to promote police community partnership; crime, drugs, and violence prevention; safety, and neighborhood unity. This is a very worthwhile event for the community and it is great to see our officers and folks in the community getting together to interact when it is not a tragedy or them being a victim of a crime. It is very important for us to build good relations with the citizens throughout our community because without the total cooperation from our citizens we can't make our community a safe place to work and play.



City Council Agenda Summary

Meeting Date: July 28, 2015

Item No: 4.

Department: City Manager

Issue: Hear an update from Jennifer Doss, Director of Tourism for the Martinsville-Henry County Economic Development Corporation.

Summary: Jennifer Doss, MHC EDC Director of Tourism will present an update on activities related to the Tourism office and Visitor's Center.

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Presented for information purposes.

Meeting Date: July 28, 2015

Item No: 5.

Department: Utilities

Issue: Hear quarterly staff update on Utilities, Electric, Water & Sewer.

Summary: City Staff will provide an update on Electric, Water and Sewer operations for the term January – June 2015.

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Information only, no action necessary

Meeting Date: July 28, 2015

Item No: 6.

Department: City Manager

Issue: Discussion of schedule and location FY16 City Council
Neighborhood Meetings

Summary: Neighborhood Council Meetings have been held for several years giving citizens the opportunity to voice concerns to Council about issues in their neighborhoods.

During the past year, Neighborhood meetings were held on the fourth Monday at 7:30pm following a neighborhood tour just prior to the meeting.

Following is last year's neighborhood meeting schedule with options for other locations for FY16 Neighborhood Meetings:

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015-Druid Hills/Uptown TOUR 5:30
LAST YEAR at NCI
OPTION: Forest Hill Presbyterian

NOVEMBER 23, 2015-Southside TOUR 5:00
LAST YEAR at Fuller Memorial Church (due to early darkness)
OPTION: Fuller Memorial Church

FEBRUARY 22, 2016-Northside/Chatham Hts. TOUR 5:30
LAST YEAR at McCabe Church
OPTION: Clearview Wesleyan Church

APRIL 25, 2016-Westside TOUR 5:30
LAST YEAR at Albert Harris School
OPTION: Albert Harris School

Attachments: None

Recommendations: Direct staff to coordinate meetings and locations.