

**REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE FARMVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON APRIL 1, 2015**

At the regular work session of the Farmville Town Council held on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 11:00 am, in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, located at 116 North Main Street, Farmville, VA, there present were Council members D.E. Dwyer, D.L. Hunter, S.B. Thompson, T.M. Pairet, J.J. Davis and G.C. Cole. Mayor D.E. Whitus and Vice Mayor A.D. Reid were absent.

Staff present was Town Manager, Gerald Spates and Town Clerk, Lisa Hricko. The Clerk called the meeting to order and asked that a member of Council be appointed to preside over the April 1, 2015 regular work session meeting.

On motion by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Davis and with all Council members voting “aye”, the motion to appoint Council member Donald L. Hunter to preside over the April 1, 2015 regular work session meeting was approved.

Council member Hunter asked the Town Manager to review the agenda items in the April Council packet.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Ordinance No. 4-2015**, Joint Public Hearing, Adds Gas Stations as a permitted use with a conditional use permit in a B-4 zoning district;

**Ordinance No. 3-2015**, Joint Public Hearing, Amendments to Section 29-387 “Dilapidated Structures”;

**Ordinance No. 2-2015**, Adds Section 2-73, “Bonuses for Employees”;

**Ordinance No. 1-2015**, Establish a rebate for residential and commercial connection within the Town of Farmville to Town water and sewer;

Resolution for an amendment and appropriation to the FY 2014-2015 Town Budget

Members asked if the Town has received the asset forfeiture funds and if not, should Council wait to adopt the budget resolution amendment. Mr. Spates said the funds have not been received; however, the Town has received confirmation of the monies to be appropriated and recommends that at the April Council meeting, Council adopt the resolution to amend the budget.

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Spates provided a verbal report on the following matters:

- Dog Park – anticipates closing on the property by the end of the week;
- Burn Building – weather has held up the project;
- Boundary Adjustment – Prince Edward County is in the process of notifying property owners;
- Sesquicentennial event – successful event, thanked Mr. Dwyer and all those who participated;
- Easter Egg Hunt – postponed due to field being too wet;
- Farmville Community Marketplace – progressing well;
- Old Library Building – Patrick Henry Boys Home has stated their intent to purchase the building. Mr. Spates said Patrick Henry Boys Home entered into a Lease Agreement with the Town that included an option to purchase the building within an allotted time and that all rent paid would go towards the purchase price. The money from the sale is to go into an escrow account to be used for capital expenditures for the Library. All requests for funds from the escrow account must be approved by the Library Committee, made up of two members from Town Council, two members of the Board of Supervisors and two members appointed by the Library.
- Thermopave Settlement Agreement – members were provided a copy of the Settlement Agreement. Virginia Carolina Pavers and Harvey Delaney Landscaping Architects agreed to a settlement of \$36,332.00 cash and \$7,500 in services. VCPA pays \$23,332, less the \$4,000 the Town is retaining. Harvey Delaney pays \$9,000 cash and \$7,500 in design services. Brief discussions took place on replacement options, including brick pavers and stampcrete.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Standing committee reports will be presented at the regular Council meeting.

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

The following agenda items were reviewed, with no action taken by Council.

- Clarification on Planning Commission Appointment;
- Council’s “Aspirations” from the October 2014 Retreat be removed from the agenda ;
- Recommendations from the Farmville Planning Commission ;
- Request adoption of Ordinance No. 4-2015, adding Gas Stations as a permitted use with a conditional use permit in a B-4 zoning district;

- Request for a conditional use permit on behalf of Murphy’s Oil to operate a gas station in a B-4 zoning district;
- Request adoption of Ordinance No. 3-2015, amendments to Section 29-387 “Dilapidated Structures”;
- Request adoption of Ordinance No. 2-2015, adding Section 2-73, “Bonuses for Employees”;
- Request adoption of Ordinance No. 1-2015, Establishes a rebate for residential and commercial connection within the Town of Farmville to Town water and sewer system;
- Request FY 2014-2015 Town Budget amendment and appropriation;
- Request for a formal lease with FACES on the old Wilson Oil Building and permission to add on to the building;
- Mock public hearing - Mr. Hunter said the last item on the agenda will be a mock public hearing presentation made by Longwood University students of Dr. Heather Lettner-Rust’s English 400 Class. The topic of the public hearing will be a proposed “boutique style Wal-Mart” locating at 200 N. Main Street.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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David E. Whitus, Mayor

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Lisa M. Hricko, Clerk