

**MINUTES
TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF SHENANDOAH
October 22, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: The Shenandoah Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr. presiding.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members present were: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.; Council Members Denise Cave; Lynn Fox; I. Michael Lowe; Richard Pierce.

Council Members absent were: Christopher Reisinger

Other Town Officials present were: Charles Jenkins, Town Manager; Paul Davis, Police Chief; and Angie Schrimsher, Town Clerk.

Citizens present were: Gary Taylor (Red); Brittaney Sutherland; Diane Shifflett; Addison Eppard; Samantha Rinaca; Brenda Haggett; Melissa Smith; Ana Maria Mendez; Bruce Ritchie; Panayotis Giannakouros (Poti); Carol Sue Zirkle; and Robert Zirkle.

Media Representatives: None

AWARD PRESENTATION

None during this period

RECEIVING OF VISITORS

Ana Maria Mendez and Panayotis Giannakouros (Poti) gave a presentation about “No Mow May”. It’s a Global initiative organization to get people not to mow in the month of May. This will help insects and animals.

OCTOBER 08, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A *motion* was made by Councilman Lowe, *seconded* by Councilman Pierce, to approve the *Regular Meeting Minutes* held on October 08, 2024, as presented.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite
Councilwoman Cave
Councilman Fox
Councilman Lowe
Councilman Pierce

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilman Reisinger

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A *motion* was made by Vice Mayor Kite, *seconded* by Councilwoman Cave, to approve the bills, dated **October 22, 2024**, in the **Combined Accounts Disbursements Warrants #42465 - #42500** in the amount of **\$148,111.64**, as presented.

Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite
Councilwoman Cave
Councilman Fox
Councilman Lowe
Councilman Pierce

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilman Reisinger

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

TREASURER'S REPORT

A *motion* was made by Vice Mayor Kite, *seconded* by Councilman Lowe, to approve the **October 22, 2024** Treasurer's Report, submitted by Treasurer Christl Huddle, in the amount of **\$1,974,096.70**, as presented.

Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite
Councilwoman Cave
Councilman Fox
Councilman Lowe
Councilman Pierce

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Councilman Reisinger

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

CORRESPONDENCE

#1 – Received a memo from Town of Shenandoah Museum and Welcome Center Curator, Lora Jenkins regarding a proposed bid for a mural. The mural art is by Amanda Horn, LLC. The mural

will be 25 ' X 11' on the Southern facing wall of the Museum (parking lot side). The bid is \$5,900.00 – a down payment of \$450.00 would need to be paid to start the mockups for approval. After mockups are approved, the remaining balance can be split into payments. Amanda Horn, LLC can start in March 2025 and can be finished in two weeks, depending on the weather. She offers a three-year warranty. The cost of the mural will be paid from the donation to the Museum by Richard P. Strickler's family. The mural will include an "In Memory of Richard P. Strickler and Billie Paige Strickler" on it.

A ***motion*** was made by Councilman Pierce, ***seconded*** by Councilman Fox, to approve payment for the mural from the donation made to the Museum by Richard P. Strickler family.

Councilwoman Cave brought up an issue with the mural.

Councilman Pierce rescinded his motion.

Council decided to table the request.

#2- Received a flyer about a raffle for a framed and matted O. Winston Link Print with the proceeds to benefit the Town of Shenandoah Museum and Welcome Center. The print was generously donated by John and Sandra Hammel. Tickets may be purchased at the Town of Shenandoah Museum and Welcome Center, located at 507 First Street, Shenandoah, VA. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. The drawing will be held at noon on December 20, 2024.

#3 – Received a flyer from Page County High School inviting the public to attend their Salute to Veterans, a special Veteran's Day program to honor those who have served and continue to serve our country. The program will be held on Monday, November 11, 2024, starting at 8:30 a.m. at Page County High School auditorium, located at 184 Panther Drive, Shenandoah, VA. There will be breakfast served before the program at 7:30 a.m. Those planning on attending the breakfast are asked to RSVP by no later than Monday, November 4, 2024, by calling (540) 652-8712.

#4- Received a flyer regarding the Town of Shenandoah's Veterans Service being held on Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at the Town of Shenandoah Museum and Welcome Center located at 507 First Street, Shenandoah, VA. The public is invited to attend this service.

#5- Received a flyer from Shenandoah Elementary regarding their annual Veterans Day Program. The public is invited to attend and join the students as they proudly honor Veterans and celebrate the important contributions they have made to our country. The Veterans Day program is being held on Monday, November 11, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. at Shenandoah Elementary School, located at 529 Fourth Street, Shenandoah, VA.

WATER AND SEWER

(Chair Kite, Councilwoman Cave, and Councilman Lowe)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins reported that the new laterals on Fourth Street have been completed and the Town Crew, with the help of Moyer Contracting, have been looking to terminate the abandoned main line.

STREETS & PUBLIC PROPERTY

(Chair Fox, Vice Mayor Kite, and Councilman Lowe)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins informed Council the pothole patches on the corner of 340 and Virginia Avenue as well as the corner of 340 and Pennsylvania Avenue will require a paving estimate.

Chair Fox inquired about the Town trucks and whether they are prepared and ready for winter.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated they are ready and only need a VDOT inspection.

POLICE, SAFETY & JUDICIAL

(Chair Kite, Councilman Lowe, and Councilman Reisinger)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated the Town would like to update the Town Code to match State Code regarding derelict vehicles. He noted the cars need to be covered with car covers and no longer be allowed to be covered by sheets or tarps. He noted Town Code would also need to be updated to say the complainant needs to be standing on the street on a flat surface to view the derelict vehicle(s).

Councilman Fox inquired about the Shenandoah Pharmacy. He noted it is not sealed and closed off and could cause safety issues.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated the owner is trying to sell the property.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins noted the Town Office staff completed their First Aid training with Page County EMS. He also noted the VRS Safety grant was used to purchase an AED defibrillator for \$1500.00.

TAXATION & FINANCE

(Chair Pierce, Vice Mayor Kite, and Councilman Fox)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated staff is researching back taxes for Real Estate and Personal Property, to bring everyone up to date.

PARKS & RECREATION

(Chair Reisinger, Councilman Lowe and Pierce)

None during this period.

INDUSTRIAL, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROCUREMENT

(Chair Cave, Councilmen Lowe and Pierce)

None during this period.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

(Chair Kite, Councilwoman Cave and Councilman Pierce)

None during this period.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

(Chair Pierce, Councilwoman Cave, Councilmen Lowe and Reisinger)

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated there will be an 80th Birthday Party for Donnie Jewell on Sunday October 27, 2024 at 2:00p.m. at the Grove Hill Community Center.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None during this time.

NEW BUSINESS

None during this time.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated in November and December there will be only one Town Council Meeting per month due to the holidays. He noted this had been standard practice for years.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr. thanked Town Manager Charlie Jenkins for negotiating with Marlow Ram in Front Royal to take the old Town Truck for \$1500.00.

Town Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr. stated the Town would like to present the donation of \$200.00 to the Shenandoah Fire Department, noting the funds will go towards the purchase of river rescue equipment.

A *motion* was made by Councilman Lowe, *seconded* by Councilwoman Cave, to approve the donation of \$200.00 to The Shenandoah Fire Department with the funds going towards the purchase of river rescue equipment.

Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite
Councilwoman Cave
Councilman Fox
Councilman Lowe
Councilman Pierce

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: Christopher Reisinger
VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWN

Diane Shifflett spoke about Liability for the Town with Rental Space (Gym) not having two emergency Exits. Diane also noted that the NS Railroad no parking sign was updated after being contacted by the Town Manager and now the Town would be liable for injuries suffered while trespassing on the NS Yard Lot.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, a ***motion*** was made by Councilman Fox, ***seconded*** by Councilwoman Cave, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite
Councilwoman Cave
Councilman Fox
Councilman Lowe
Councilman Pierce

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas
ABSENT: Councilman Reisinger
VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

Angela Schrimsher, Town Clerk