MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF SHENANDOAH JOINT PUBLIC HEARING VACATE ALLEY REQUEST

NOVEMBER 12, 2024

The Shenandoah Town Council held a public hearing on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr., presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Council Members present were: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.; Vice Mayor William Kite; Council Members Lynn Fox; I. Michael Lowe; Richard Pierce; and Christopher Reisinger.

Council Members absent were: None

Planning Commission Members present: Chairman I. Michael Lowe; Commissioners Jonathan Comer, Karen Comer, Stephanie Richards, Timothy Seal, and MacKenzie Watson.

Planning Commission Members absent: Arthur "Todd" Stroupe.

Other Town Officials present were: Charles Jenkins, Town Manager; Lieutenant Brandon Morris, Shenandoah Town Police; Angie Schrimscher, Town Clerk.

Citizens present were: Gary Taylor (Red) Brenda Haggett, Brittaney Sutherland, Freddie Kite, Robert Zirkle, Sue Zirkle, Ana Maria Mendez and Bruce Ritchie.

Media Representatives: There were no media representatives present at this time.

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Mayor Lucas opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. He stated this meeting was to discuss the request for John W. Gordon, property owner, to close and vacate an alley between his two properties located at 119 Liberty Avenue and 121 Liberty Avenue, for a distance of approximately 170 feet.

Mayor Lucas inquired if there was anyone present to speak for the request?

Mayor Lucas inquired if there was anyone present to speak *against* the request?

Stephanie Richards questioned public utilities along the right of way and inquired what is currently there.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins stated a six-inch water line, the main service line, comes from the Trenton Avenue well.

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Stephanie Richards questioned whether the Town would need access to the six-inch water line.

Town Manager Charlie Jenkins noted the Town would need access to the water line.

A *motion* was made by Commissioner Karen Comer, *seconded* by Commissioner Stephanie Richards to deny the vacate alley request for John W. Gordon between his properties located at 119 Liberty Avenue and 121 Liberty Avenue.

Planning Commission Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA:None

NAY: Chairman Lowe

NAY: No

Commissioner Jonathan Comer Commissioner Karen Comer Commissioner Stephanie Richards

Commissioner Tim Seal

Commissioner Mackenzie Watson

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Arthur "Todd" Stroupe

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

A *motion* was made by the Councilman Fox, *seconded* by Councilman Reisinger to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation and deny the vacate alley request for John W. Gordon between his properties located at 119 Liberty Avenue and 121 Liberty Avenue.

Council Members Roll Call Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

Councilwoman Cave Councilman Fox Councilman Lowe Councilman Pierce

Councilman Reisinger

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT: None

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

ADJOURN

A *motion* was made by Councilman Fox, *seconded* by Councilman Reisinger to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Members Vote was as follows:

YEA: Vice Mayor Kite

Councilwoman Cave Councilman Fox Councilman Pierce Councilman Reisinger NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Clinton O. Lucas, Jr.

ABSENT:

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of motion

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Angela Schrimscher, Town Clerk