



Town of Luray

45 East Main Street
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PUBLIC NOTICE

May 14, 2019

At their May 13, 2019 Council Meeting, the Luray Town Council reviewed the following issues and took the following actions.

Under the Consent Agenda item:

- 1) Council unanimously approved minutes from the April 8th Council Meeting and the April 23rd Work Session, April Financial Reports, and the Accounts Payable checks.

Under the Citizen Comments agenda item:

- 1) Cathie Miranda of 317 East Main Street spoke in favor of the funding request made by the Page Valley Arts Council (PVAC). Funding would help to assist with the cost of materials for the art activities conducted each Saturday for the public. An average of twelve to fifteen people participate in the free event to create an art project associated with the monthly theme.
- 2) Kathy Herbert of 201 Hawksbill Heights Drive also spoke in favor of the funding request for Page Valley Arts Council. PVAC has conducted two arts festivals with about 1,000 people attending with half from Page County and the other half visitors. Their goal is to expand art efforts and establish Page County as an arts destination.
- 3) Lee McWhorter of 1755 US Hwy 211 Business stated that the letter regarding operation of the farmers market was in error. Mr. McWhorter will schedule time to discuss with the Town Manager.
- 4) Sam McNeely, Chairman of the Greenhill Cemetery Association, presented that over \$25,000 has been invested in restoration of the cemetery this past year thanks to community donations. The Cemetery has started conducting "Sunday Strolls" through the cemetery the second Sunday of each month through October to discuss the history of the cemetery. In addition, he invited the community to participate in the Decoration Day on May 26th at 2:00 pm to see the results of all the work at the cemetery.

Under the Presentations agenda item:

- 1) Mayor Presgraves presented David Sedwick with the "2019 Rookie of the Year" recognition presented by the Virginia Rural Water Association in recognition of Mr. Sedwick's work at our Water Treatment Plant

Under the Public Hearings item:

1. Town Council conducted a public hearing to receive input on the 2019 Comprehensive Plan. No citizens spoke at the public hearing. Town Council unanimously adopted the 2019 Comprehensive



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Plan with the addition of language in support of alternative energy solutions in the Quality of Life chapter.

2. Town Council conducted a public hearing to receive input on proposed Code Amendments to Chapters 74 and 302 of the Town Code. The revision to Chapter 74 would reflect that the Page County Administrator establishes building address numbers. The revision to Chapter 302 would include Planned Neighborhood Development District and Luray Enterprise Zone in the Zoning Districts. No citizens spoke at the public hearing. Town Council unanimously adopted the Code Amendments as presented to be effective upon passage.
3. Town Council conducted a public hearing to receive input on the Interim West Main Street Bridge Financing. A resolution for the issuance of a bond in a maximum amount of \$750,000 to be used for financing the construction costs and related expenses for the replacement of the West Main Street Bridge was considered. No citizens spoke at the public hearing. Town Council unanimously approved the Resolution as presented.
4. Town Council conducted a public hearing to receive input on the proposed FY 2019-2020 Town Budget. Cathie Miranda of 317 East Main Street spoke in support of funding for the Page Valley Arts Council. Town Council will consider adoption of the FY 2019-2020 Town Budget at a Special Meeting on May 28th.

Under the Departments, Town Boards, and Commission agenda item:

- 1) Meredith Dees stated that she has received positive comments concerning the 2019 Festival of Spring, invited Town Council to the May 17th Chicken Chow Down event, the raffle to be the first driver across the new West Main Street Bridge will be drawn by Mayor Presgraves at the Chicken Chow Down, the evaluation study of the Artisan's Grill has been completed and is being presented to the owner, and the Luray Downtown Initiative has received their accreditation as a Main Street Program again this year.
- 2) Bryan Chrisman, Assistant Town Manager, provided an update to the West Main Street Bridge Construction project. Orders Construction has completed installation of the southern bridge rail and is forming the north side. Civil site work including the waterline and communication line connections should be completed in the next two weeks. The new bridge lights should be delivered in the next two months. The bridge will be open for traffic on Thursday, June 27th. Photos and videos of the demolition can be found at the "See Imagery" button at www.luraybridge.com.

Under the Action & Discussion agenda item:

- 1) Town Council unanimously approved the 10 year payment plan for the Sewer Facility Fee for 630 West Main Street.
- 2) Town Council unanimously approved adopting the employee benefit for group long term care insurance offered by the Virginia Retirement System.
- 3) Town Council unanimously adopted the FY 2019-2020 Rates and Fee Schedule.
- 4) Town Council unanimously approved the Code Amendment to update Chapter 38 – Elections of the Town Code to reflect the election districts and voting precincts established by Page County in 2011.



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- 5) Town Council unanimously approved the award of the contract for janitorial services to Jr's Cleaning Service in an amount not to exceed \$15,500.
- 6) Town Council unanimously adopted a Resolution establishing the criteria for tax relief for qualifying personal use vehicles in conformance with the Personal Property Tax Relief Act for the tax year of 2019.
- 7) Town Council unanimously adopted a Code Amendment to Chapter 2 – Administration of the Town Code to update the Code to reflect changes made to the Town's Charter that take effect July 1.

Under the Town Attorney's Report item:

No items

Under the Mayor's Announcements item:

Mayor Presgraves invited Council and the public to the May 25th Shenandoah Memorial Festival and Parade.

For more information about the May 13, 2019 Council Meeting, please contact the Town Manager at sburke@townofluray.com or (540) 743-5511.