

**WORK SESSION
TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF LURAY, VIRGINIA**

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

The Luray Town Council met in a work session on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Luray Town Council Chambers located at 45 East Main Street, Luray, Virginia at which time there were present the following:

Presiding: Mayor Jerry Dofflemyer

Council Present:

Ron Vickers
Stephanie Lillard
Jerry Schiro
Jason Pettit
Joseph Sours
Ligon Webb

Also Present:

Steve Burke, Town Manager
Bryan Chrisman, Assistant Town Manager
Mary Broyles, Town Clerk-Treasurer
Carl (Bow) Cook, Chief of Police

(This meeting was made public via the Town's Facebook page.)

A quorum being present, Mayor Dofflemyer declared the Council to be in session for the transaction of business. All present stood for a moment of silence. Councilman Webb led everyone in the United States Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with all members present.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Special Use Permit – Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative

The Town Council discussed a request from Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative to construct a storage building at 2 Mechanic Street (Tax Map No. 42A4-7-D-1). This location is in the Light Industrial (M-1) Zoning District. Town Code Section 407.1 requires a Special Use Permit be obtained to construct any structure in this Zoning District. SVEC proposes to construct a 45' x 75' metal building for material storage and repairs. A public hearing will be scheduled for a Special Meeting on September 28.

Baker Development – Luray Landing Rezoning Request

The Town Council discussed a request from Baker Development Partnership LLC to rezone parcels 42A17-1-10, 11, 12 & 13 from Business (B1) to Planned Neighborhood Development District (PND) and to reincorporate into the Luray Landing Planned Neighborhood Development. The parcels were originally included in the Luray Landing development but was removed for commercial development. Baker Development is updating their development plan for the site. They plan to submit an updated Developer's Agreement for the Luray Landing PND. A public hearing will be scheduled for a Special Meeting on September 28.

Page Valley News Website Advertisement

The Town Council discussed a proposed advertising opportunity on the Page Valley News website. Town Manager Steve Burke is going to pursue more information and report back to the Council.

Proclamation of Recognition

The Town Council discussed a Proclamation of Recognition for the Page Cooperative Farm Bureau. They are celebrating their 100th Anniversary in 2021.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Town Manager Steve Burke informed Council of the results of the Town's American Rescue Plan Act Implementation Survey. He stated that the top funding priorities based upon the survey results are 1) Public Safety; 2) Infrastructure Improvements; 3) Local Business Support; and 4) High Speed Internet. He stated that final guidance for the use of ARPA funding has not been provided by the US Department of Treasury. Council is hoping more information will be available at the Virginia Municipal League annual conference.

Luray Farmers Market

Councilman Webb suggested that Council think about the possibility of leasing a portion of parcel 42A11-A-1A from the Laurence Hotel to re-establish the Luray Farmers Market. He stated that it would not necessarily be restricted to a Farmers Market but may be other vendors included. He felt like an open space available to the public would be beneficial to the Town. Councilman Webb is going to review this with other Towns that do have the space and report the findings back to Council.

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Jerry Dofflemyer
Mayor

Mary Broyles
Town Clerk