

The Town Council of the Town of Urbanna held a work session on June 14, 2018 at 6:30 pm in Town Hall. Mayor Steve Hollberg welcomed everyone to the meeting. Council Members present were: Steve Hollberg, Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, Barbara Hartley and George DeVries. Boyd Wiley arrived at 6:53 pm. Absent: Marjorie Austin. Also present were Holly Gailey – Town Administrator, Traci Wright – Town Clerk, Bob Henkel – Town Treasurer, Andrew Bury – Town Attorney, three guests and one member of the press.

Ms. Gailey called the roll to which the following answered present: Steve Hollberg, Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, Barbara Hartley and George DeVries.

First, Water Committee Chairman, Bill Smith, presented council with his concerns about the water committee and immediately exited the meeting for a family medical issue.

Mayor Hollberg gave a brief update on the status of the Thrasher contract. Mr. Bury also stated he is working on changes to the Thrasher contract.

Next on the agenda, Mayor Hollberg discussed concerns brought to Council from the volunteer fire department about sediment found in holding tanks during a county wide fire drill that was held within the Town of Urbanna. Mayor Hollberg advised extensive testing was performed and there is no contamination in the Town water system. Mayor Hollberg also advised the Bonner Street well has been voluntarily taken out of commission. Also, Mayor Hollberg reported that Holly is working with Sydnor Hydro on well replacement estimates.

At this time, it was determined that a water committee meeting needs to be scheduled ASAP.

There was discussion about the fire hydrant on Obert Street and the fence that is in the way. Ms. Gailey will make contact with the fence owner and have this matter resolved.

It was determined at this time that Ms. Gailey will remain as a voting member of the water committee.

Next on the agenda, Diane Gravatt discussed the marina committee. Ms. Gravatt expressed thanks to Ms. Gailey for a job well done at the town marina. Ms. Gravatt also discussed the Buy Boat and Founders Day master plans need to be approved at the next scheduled council meeting. These items are to be added to the upcoming agenda for approval.

At this time, Mayor Hollberg asked the status of the dredging project at the town marina. Ms. Gailey stated the Bay Design is currently working on it. Mayor Hollberg asked that Ms. Gailey work on a grant application with the help of Preston Smith and include a maintenance plan for the docks. The grant deadline is July 16, 2018.

Next, Ms. Gailey discussed the need for restructure to the marina rental policy. Ms. Gailey will put together and present a rate schedule at the next meeting.

Mayor Hollberg discussed the Town facebook and other instagram social media pages and council give permission for Geri Reyes to have administrator privileges and promote the town. Ms. Gailey and Ms. Reyes will discuss compensation.

Mayor Hollberg presented a signed contract for the Pirates to Ms. Gailey for the upcoming Founders Day event and authorization to pay \$1200.

Next, Bob Henkel gave the treasurers report.

Larry Chowning made a motion to contribute \$5000 to the Virginia Rivers Realm to which Diane Gravatt seconded. At this time Council Member Boyd Wiley made a motion to amend the motion to only give \$2500, seconded by Mayor Hollberg. Ms. Gailey called the roll to which the following answered yes; Mayor Hollberg and Boyd Wiley. Answering no; Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, George DeVries and Barbara Hartley. The motion to contribute \$2500 did not pass, therefore the original motion to give \$5000 was voted on again. Ms. Gailey called the roll to which the following answered yes; Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, George DeVries and Barbara Hartley. Answering no; Mayor Hollberg and Boyd Wiley. The original motion to give the Rivers Realm \$5000 passed at this time 4-2.

Next on the agenda was discussion about Christmas decorations. Council Member George DeVries asked council if they would like to contribute funds to the Christmas committee/Beautification committee for town Christmas decorations. It was decided at this time to have the Christmas/Beautification committee come to the next meeting to discuss exactly what it is they would like the town to do.

Mayor Hollberg made a motion to change pool operating hours from 12-6 pm to 10-6 pm Tuesday through Saturday and remain the same on Sundays at 1-6 pm. This motion was seconded by Council Member Larry Chowning. Ms. Gailey called the roll to which the following answered yes; Steve Hollberg, Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, Barbara Hartley and George DeVries.

It was decided at this time to add to the next agenda discussion about a replacement bucket truck for the town.

At this time, Council Member Barbara Hartley made a motion to adjourn at 8:38 pm to which Council Member George DeVries seconded. Ms. Gailey called the roll to which the following answered aye: Boyd Wiley, Steve Hollberg, Larry Chowning, Diane Gravatt, Barbara Hartley and George DeVries.

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