

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BRISTOL, VIRGINIA, CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 9TH, 2018 AT 6:00PM AT 300 LEE STREET, BRISTOL, VIRGINIA WITH MAYOR KEVIN MUMPOWER PRESIDING. COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE VICE MAYOR KEVIN WINGARD, WILLIAM HARTLEY, AND NEAL OSBORNE. DOUGLAS FLEENOR WAS ABSENT. CITY MANAGER/INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY, RANDALL EADS, AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TAMRYA SPRADLIN WERE PRESENT.

Mayor Mumpower called for a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Mumpower reviewed the rules of public comment. Mayor Mumpower commented on the opening of the Bristol Hotel and other development in the City.

City Manager Randall Eads thanked staff for their work promoting the City to businesses and congratulated City Planner Sally Morgan and Director of Community Development for their award for State Street from the American Planning Association.

William Reed spoke about the proposed Bristol Resort and Casino. Nikki Eddy, Archie Hubbard, and Sandra Fritz spoke in support of the proposed Bristol Resort and Casino. Karen Meirs spoke about financial problems in the City. Walter Fritz spoke about development in the City of Bristol and said that he supported the Bristol Resort and Casino. Elaine Griffin, Renee Hunt spoke in support of the Bristol Resort and Casino. Wagner Hills Homeowner Association spoke about an issue with water meters in their community. Nancy Marney spoke about City leadership and decision making. Jackie Nophlin spoke about concerns for the new school and the casino project.

City Manager Randall Eads said that he had spoken to BVU about the issues at Wagner Hill. Mayor Mumpower spoke about the role of the City in private development.

Mr. Wingard made a motion to table Item #6, Discussion on Charter Changes. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion, which was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

1. Consider a Public Hearing Regarding an Ordinance to Vacate all of a certain Public Right-of-way (New Hope Baptist Church) in the City of Bristol.

Mayor Mumpower opened the public hearing. Director of Public Works Wallace McCulloch spoke about the proposal and said that no objections from neighboring property owners have been received. Mayor Mumpower closed the public hearing with no public comments made.

2. Consider a First Reading of an Ordinance to Vacate all of a certain Public Right-of-way (New Hope Baptist Church) in the City of Bristol, by caption only.

City Manager Randall Eads said there was no additional information to consider. Mr. Hartley made a motion for first reading of the ordinance which was seconded by Mr. Osborne. The motion was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

City Manager Randall Eads read the ordinance by caption only: ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF AN IMPROVED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OF AN UN-NAMED ALLEY.

3. Consider a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Vacate All of a Certain Public Right-of-way (Wagner Alley) in the City of Bristol, by caption only.

Director of Public Works Wallace McCulloch spoke about the proposal which received no objections. Mr. Hartley made a motion for the second reading of the ordinance by caption only. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion which was passed by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

City Manager Randall Eads read the ordinance by caption only. ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF AN IMPROVED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OF WAGNER ALLEY.

Mr. Hartley made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion, which was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

4. Consider a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Approve Zoning Map Amendment application #01-2018 to rezone Tax Map #190-4-1 (a 5.4 acre portion of the former Tax Map No. 190-A-6A) from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to B-3 (Intermediate Business), by caption only.

City Manager Randall Eads gave a history of recent relevant action on the issue. Mr. Wingard made a motion for the second reading of the ordinance by caption only. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion, which was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

City Manager Randall Eads read the ordinance by caption only: AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRISTOL, VIRGINIA APPROVING THE REQUEST BY CLARENCE DISHMAN TO AMEND THE CITY ZONING MAP FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1) TO INTERMEDIATE BUSINESS (B-3) FOR PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS MAP PARCEL #190-4-1 (A 5.4 ACRE PROTION OF FORMER MAP PARCEL #190-A-6A) LOCATED ON STAGECOACH ROAD.

Mr. Wingard made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion, which was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

5. Consider Resolution in Support of School Funding Bill.

City Manager Randall Eads read the resolution in support of Senator Stanley's bill introduced to the General Assembly in support of school construction funds.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of Virginia requires that the "General Assembly shall provide for a system of free public elementary and secondary schools for all children of school age throughout the Commonwealth, and shall seek to ensure that an educational program of high quality is established and continually maintained;" and

WHEREAS, high quality public schools provide the critical foundation of knowledge that is required for a student to become a successful and productive member of a community; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, the average age of school facilities is 44 years old, according to The Roanoke Times; and

WHEREAS, in Bristol, Virginia, the average age of school facilities is 68 years old; and

WHEREAS, three of the six City of Bristol, Virginia schools were built before 1949; and

WHEREAS, five of the six City of Bristol, Virginia schools were built before 1969; and

WHEREAS, Highland View Elementary was deemed functionally obsolete in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Washington-Lee and Stonewall Jackson Elementary Schools are handicap inaccessible, do not meet current code or safety standards, and are approaching end of life; and

WHEREAS, public schools throughout Southwest Virginia are showing significant signs of age and deterioration to the point where the ability to provide high quality educational programs is

becoming significantly affected; and

WHEREAS, many of these schools also do not contain the equipment and/or systems to support collaborative and creative learning that are a must in a 21st Century world; and

WHEREAS, a 2013 Virginia study indicated the cost to modernize schools across the state was estimated at \$15 billion; and

WHEREAS, renovating older buildings is much more expensive than the cost of new construction meaning many local school boards in Southwest Virginia do not have the capacity to afford renovation costs, nor do these boards have the legal authority to generate revenue; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Bill Stanley has proposed the issuance of a statewide bond referendum whereby the proceeds would support the replacement, rehabilitation, and/or renovation of aging public school facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Bristol Virginia City Council formally offers its support to Senator Stanley's proposal and encourages the General Assembly to hold a statewide bond referendum, using the revenue generated to renovate and modernize aging school facilities.

Signed this 9th day of October 2018.

Mr. Osborne made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Hartley seconded the motion, and commented on the importance of state assistance for school improvements. Mayor Mumpower expressed his support for the resolution.

The motion was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

Item #6 was tabled at the beginning of the meeting.

7. Consider Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711.A6, Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected (**proprietary**).

Mr. Hartley made a motion to go into closed session for the reasons stated. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion, which was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

Mayor Mumpower asked for a roll call vote to certify the closed session.

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard, Mumpower.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 8.1 Consider Approval of Minutes.
September 20, 2018
September 25, 2018

8.2 Consider Supplemental Appropriation of \$3,092 to the FY19 Budget per the Item Listed Below.

Fire Department

Appropriate additional funding awarded for the Aid to Localities Entitlement Program.

Expenditure	4-001-032030-5850	Fire Programs Fund	\$2,107
Revenue	3-001-024020-0012	Fire Program Fund-Aid to Locality	\$2,107

Appropriate a donation received from We Run Events, LLC.

Expenditure	4-001-032010-6014	Operating Supplies & Materials	\$750
Revenue	3-001-018040-0002	Donations & Gifts-Fire Dept.	\$750

Police Department

Appropriate a reimbursement received for towing charges.

Expenditure	4-001-031010-6014	Operating Supplies & Mat	\$35
Revenue	3-001-019010-0009	Recovered Costs	\$35

Parks & Recreation – Programming

Appropriate donations received for flag football.

Expenditure	4-001-071030-6014	Operating Supplies & Mat	\$200
Revenue	3-001-018020-0001	Donations	\$200

8.3 Consider budget transfers of \$44,248 for specific items listed below:

Police Department

Appropriate the transfer of budgeted funds for donations received. These funds were received in June 2018 and appropriated to 31010-8101 by supplemental appropriation to the FY19 budget.

Increase	4-001-31020-5871	Police Calendars	\$2,000
Decrease	4-001-31010-8101	Other Equipment	\$2,000

Municipal Council

Appropriate a reallocation of health insurance budgeted amounts from City Manager and Police Departments to Council based on present actual enrollment.

Increase	4-001-11010-2310	Insurance	\$42,248
Decrease	4-001-12010-2310	Insurance	\$10,000
Decrease	4-001-31010-2310	Insurance	\$32,248

8.4 Consider Purchase Requisitions per the item below:

Police Department; Body-Worn Camera \$23,057.00

8.5 Consider Approval of Highlands Community Services performance contract.

Mr. Wingard asked a question about Item 8.4. Mr. Hartley made a motion to approve items 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, and 8.5 which was seconded by Mr. Osborne. No votes were recorded.


Mr. Hartley made a motion to approve item 8.1. Mr. Wingard seconded the motion. The motion was carried by the following votes:

AYES: Hartley, Osborne, Wingard.


ABSTAIN: Mumpower.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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City Clerk



Mayor