PURCELLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WORK SESSION TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021, 7:00 PM VIRTUAL

This meeting of the Purcellville Town Council convened at 7:00 PM electronically as pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2, and in accordance with town Ordinance 20-03-01 Establishing Laws Governing Operation of the Town for the Purpose of Continuing Government Functions During and After a Disaster, as adopted by the Town Council on April 8, 2020.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kwasi Fraser, Mayor Mary Jane Williams, Vice Mayor Tip Stinnette, Council Member Joel Grewe, Council Member Stan Milan, Council Member Christopher Bertaut, Council Member

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ted Greenly, Council member

STAFF PRESENT:

Hooper McCann, Director of Administration
Sally Hankins, Town Attorney
Sharon Rauch, Director of Human Resources
Chief Cynthia McAlister, Police Dept.
Deputy Chief Dave Dailey, Police Dept.
Elizabeth Krens, Director of Finance
Connie LeMarr, Assistant Director of Finance
Dale Lehnig, Director of Engineering, Planning & Development
Jason Didawick, Director of Public Works
Stacie Alter, Senior Hydrogeologist
Don Dooley, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Andy Conlon, Senior Planner
Diana Hays, Town Clerk/Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fraser called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL:

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Meeting Minutes March 27, 2021 Special
- b. Approval of Meeting Minutes April 7, 2021 Special/Budget Work Session

c. Approval of Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2021 Regular

Council member Grewe made the motion that the Purcellville Town Council approve Consent Agenda, item 6a-c, as presented in the April 27, 2021 Town Council Meeting/Work Session agenda packet.

(Carried: 6-0-1 absent, Grewe: Aye, Bertaut: Aye, Stinnette: Aye, Williams: Aye, Milan: Aye, Fraser: Aye, Greenly: Absent)

PUBLIC HEARING

a. Master Tax and Fee Schedule

Mayor Fraser opened the public hearing at 7:04 PM. Connie LeMarr gave the staff presentation. Council member Grewe asked how staff considers the rate adjustments, and Jason Didawick noted the increase is based off of feedback from VDOT as well as inflation. Hooper McCann confirmed the rates in the schedule reflect the four-tier structure. Liz Krens confirmed that if no changes are made to the rates, no public hearing is needed and the seventeen tiers would remain in effect. With no further comments, Mayor Fraser closed the public hearing at 7:15 PM.

CITIZEN/BUSINESS COMMENTS

None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council members were granted three minutes.

ACTION ITEM(S)

a. C-4 Zoning District Text Amendments ZTA21-01, ZTA21-03 and ZTA21-04

The Town Council discussed the issues as listed in staff report and were offered the opportunity to ask questions to planning staff and the town attorney.

Council member Milan made a motion that the Town Council approve Ordinance 21-02-01, amending the heights in the C-4 zoning district. Council member Stinnette proposed an amendment to the motion, which after debate, was withdrawn.

(Failed: 3-3-1 absent, Greenly: Absent, Grewe: Nay, Bertaut: Aye, Stinnette: Nay, Williams: Nay, Milan: Aye, Fraser: Aye)

DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

CLOSED MEETING

Mayor Fraser requested, with no objection from Council, to move to a closed session at 8:51 pm.

As authorized under Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia, Council member Grewe made a motion that the Town Council convene in a closed meeting to discuss or consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. Specifically, the Town Council will discuss the County's conveyance of land near Woodgrove High School to the Town.

The following were requested to attend the closed meeting:

All Town Council members Hooper McCann Sally Hankins Dale Lehnig Stacie Alter

In accordance with Section § 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia, Council member Grewe moved that the Purcellville Town Council certify to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Town Council.

(Carried: 6-0-1 absent, Greenly: absent, Grewe: Aye, Bertaut: Aye, Stinnette: Aye, Williams: Aye, Milan: Aye, Fraser: Aye)

ACTION ITEM(S):

a. County's Conveyance of Land Near Woodgrove High School to the Town

Council member Stinnette made a motion that Town Council approve in concept the confidential land proposal between the County of Loudoun and the Town of Purcellville, as presented by staff in the closed meeting of April 27, 2021, and direct Staff to work with the County to achieve a final agreement generally consistent with that proposal.

(Carried: 6-0-1 absent, Greenly: absent, Grewe: Aye, Bertaut: Aye, Stinnette: Aye, Williams: Aye, Milan: Aye, Fraser: Aye)

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at: 9:48 PM.

Kwasi Fraser, Mayor

Diana Hays, CMC, Town Clerk