

TOWN OF



TOWN OF CHESAPEAKE

APRIL 2023 - COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Lisa Curry Memorial Annex

CALL TO ORDER: Paul Bradshaw

DATE: 4/17/23

TIME: 7:00 pm

INVOCATION: Dona Lacy

FLAG SALUTE: Ashley Setterstrom

ROLL CALL of Officers:

Mayor: Paul Bradshaw - Present

Recorder: Vacant

Councilman at Large: J. David Lloyd - Present

Ward 1: Dona Lacy – Present

Vacant -

Ward 2: Ashley Setterstrom:

Vacant -

Ward 3: Mildred Grooms - Present

Joseph Booker - Present:

Previous Council Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the March 19th, 2023, Town Council meeting minutes by Ashley Setterstrom and seconded by Joseph Booker. No questions or concerns were voiced. A voice vote was made that affirmed the motion.

AGENDA:

1. Paul Liptok appointment to Ward I town council seat

2. WV State Auditor's Office representative Skylar Wotring – WV Checkbook program introduction

3. Financial Statements

4. Second Reading of Town Ordinance – Article 105-Elections

5. Trash Receptacle purchases (10) Town Beautification

6. Appointment of Election Commission Officers – 105.11

7. Election Directives per city ordinance

105.12 – Appointment of Precinct Uniform Election Board Officials (3 commissioners and 2 clerks to serve in each voting precinct. Special Session required not less than 20 days prior to the holding of any election. They will fix the place or places within the City where such elections shall be held and at such meeting appoint the Uniform Election Board

105.13 – The Commissioners and Clerks that make up the Uniform Election Board shall receive such compensation as may be determined by Council, not to exceed the compensation payable under general law to precinct election officials.

1.) The mayor has made an appointment to the Ward I vacancy by nominating Paul Liptok to the Ward I council seat until June 30th, 2023.

- Mr. Liptok grew up in the Upper Kanawha Valley area and went on to serve in the US Air Force achieving the rank of Master Sargent before his retirement. He has spent 9 years working as a heavy equipment operator for the mining community and is currently the Lock Master at the London Locks and Dam. He currently has 19 Employees under his direction and is accountable for millions of dollars of assets. He is a graduate of East Bank High school, In his leisure time he enjoys work working and old cars. He has served on the Rod, Run and Doo Wop board as a volunteer since 2012. His hope is to help the town grow and become a better place to live.

The mayor has made a motion that the Ward I council appointment be accepted. Motion seconded by: J. David Lloyd. There were no questions or concerns voiced and a voice vote affirmed the motion.

2.) Approval of Council to purchase 10 waste canisters to be placed throughout town to cut down on the amount of litter along the MacCorkle and Venable Avenue areas.

A motion to purchase 10 waste receptacle canisters at the cost of \$1500 was made by J. David Lloyd and seconded by Ashley Setterstrom. A question of placement throughout the town was made. The town will identify 10 spots and monitor the pickup for use. The receptacle will be placed where utilization is most prevalent. A voice vote affirmed the motion.

Special Thanks to Mr. Paul Lavender for bringing this idea to council.

- 3.) Motion made by the mayor to appoint Councilman at Large J. David Lloyd and Town Clerk Melissa Sutphin to the Town Election Commission. IAW Town Administrative Code 105.11, Council shall make the appointments to the Elections Commission not less than 45 days nor more than sixty days before the election to be held under this article. The election Commission so appointed shall hold office at the will and pleasure of Council. It shall be the duty of the Election Commission to prepare the ballot for the election and to cause the same and all other election supplies and materials to be made available for the election. Not less than ten (10) days prior to the election, the City Recorder shall cause a sample ballot showing the names of all candidates seeking election to any office to be published in two newspapers (if available) having general circulation in the city. (The Chief Election Officer is the Town Recorder)**

Seconded by: Mildred Grooms. No questions or concerns were voiced. A voice vote affirmed the motion.

4.) Motion made by the mayor to pay the Election Commissioners and Clerks the same amount of money the Kanawha County Commission pays its election officials that work the polls.

Seconded by: Joseph Booker. There were no questions or concerns, and a voice vote affirmed the motion.

Kanawha County pay scale:

Election Training - \$50.00. Election Day - \$200.00, Early Voting – 10 days at \$100.00 per day

5.) A motion to accept the invitation of the West Virginia State Auditor's office to join the WV Checkbook programs was made by Ashley Settertrom and seconded by Joseph Booker. There were no questions or concerns on the matter and a voice vote affirmed the motion.

The mission of West Virginia Checkbook, sponsored by the West Virginia State Auditor, is to empower every West Virginia constituent with simple-to-understand, accurate government financial information regarding the spending of their tax dollars.

6.) A motion to support the Chesapeake Elementary Archery program with a donation of \$980 dollars to fund their enrollment fees in the National youth archery championships was made by Mayor Paul Bradshaw and seconded by Dona Lacy. The mayor made an impassioned plea on behalf of our town's youth that the council consider their support to the youth of our community. A voice vote affirmed the motion.

The Second reading of an ordinance to adopt Article 105 – Elections, 105.20 ELECTIONS TO COINCIDE WITH STATE AND COUNTY ELECTIONS was read. No objections to the ordinance were noted. Final reading will occur on 5/15/23.

CONCERNS OF COUNCIL AND CITIZENS:

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Where does the house fire cleanup stand for the house on 127th St? Still with the Insurance company to determine cause and settle with clean up. JDL

Swimming Pool – one-time fee waiver in accordance with WV State Code 16.13 – This will be brought forth at the May Council meeting. DL

§16-13-16. Rates for service; deposit required for new customers; forfeiture of deposit; reconnecting deposit; tenant's deposit; change or readjustment; hearing; lien and recovery; discontinuance of services.

A governing body has the power and duty, by ordinance, to establish and maintain just and equitable rates, fees, or charges for the use of and the service rendered by:

(a) Sewerage works, to be paid by the owner of each lot, parcel of real estate or building that is connected with and uses the works by or through any part of the sewerage system of the municipality or that in any way uses or is served by the works; and

(c) The governing body may change and readjust the rates, fees, or charges from time to time. However, no rates, fees, or charges for stormwater services may be assessed against highways, road and drainage easements or stormwater facilities constructed, owned or operated by the West Virginia Division of Highways.

What is the status of the basketball court repairs and placement of the new basketball equipment at the Porter Cotton Park? Will look for the quote and get back to council.

CONCERNS OF CITIZENS: Currently a burning ban is in place statewide. A follow up on the Launch Fee at the Marina. In question is the supposed charge by the city on the website that shows a fee charge.

MAYOR's Wrap Up:

The Town Sign ceremony was a success, and our new sign welcomes home the residents of our great town.

Next regularly scheduled town council meeting will be held on Monday, May15th, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Lisa Curry Memorial Annex. A special council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, to approve the finalized budget as approved by the WV State Auditor's office.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Dona Lacy to Adjourn, Seconded by J. David Lloyd. No questions or concerns and a voice vote affirmed the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Mayor: Paul Bradshaw