

Town Council Workshop  
January 28, 2019  
Public Hearing, Special Session, Workshop

Present: Rebecca Mann, Lee Adams, Frank Vari, Mayor Rich Taylor, Frank Hill, Carolyn Blevins,  
Town Attorney Tom Yeager

Staff: Town Manager Rob Bernstine, Clerk Tonya Lockwood, Clerk/Treasurer Valerie Walls

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:34pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the  
Flag of the United States of America.

**Public Hearing**

- Ordinance 01.14.2019A

to Amend Article 4 Zoning Districts and allowable uses, and to amend Article 6 Site Building and  
Design Standards of the Chesapeake City Comprehensive Development Ordinance to revise the  
Parking and Landscaping Provision of the Chesapeake City Comprehensive Development  
Ordinance.

Bill Staker – Agrees with removing “Country Inn”

Susie Webster – No Comment

Gwen Clayton – Questioning the “minimum of landscaping”

Christine Mullen – will you be revisiting the “Country Inn?”

Councilman Hill said the written definition was in the section where the parking  
lots were being described and didn’t belong there. The Mayor wants a more specific definition.

Susie Campbell – appreciated the work the Planning Commission and the Council has put into  
this document. Her concerns have already been addressed.

GianMarco – No comments at this time.

- Ordinance 01.14.2019B

the purpose of discussing an ordinance authorizing the Town to issue (i) general obligation  
bonds in an original aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$486,000, to finance, reimburse  
or refinance costs of the New Water Storage Tank Project and related costs, and (ii) general  
obligation bonds to refund any bonds issued pursuant to the authority of such ordinance.  
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Town Attorney Tom Yeager explained that we already have interim financing. The plan now is

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**MOTION:** Councilman Vari made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Mann to approve Ordinance 01.14.2019A as amended based on the amendments presented today. All in favor, motion carried.

- Ordinance 01.14.2019B

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**MOTION:** Councilman Adams made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hill to approve the Ordinance 01.14.2019B. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolution to extend the bridge loan with Columbia Bank

Multiple calls and emails have gone unanswered on extending the loan.

**MOTION:** Councilman Vari made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Blevins to authorize the Mayor to proceed with the extension if the terms are the same. If the rate changes a Special Session will be needed to approve the rate. All in favor, motion carried.

**MOTION:** Councilman Hill made a motion seconded by Councilman Adams to close the Special Session. All in favor, motion carried.

Workshop Items

Webster 405 George Street: It is believed that the Town has a shared responsibility with the homeowner for these repairs. Town would like to check for additional blockages, maybe TV the

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No indication of the cost of leasing. Possible lease as a parking lot for the Town. Schaefer's only has under the bridge for parking. Mayor indicated that if they fix the problems, we may be interested, but not at this time.

Easter Egg Hunt:

The Fire Co is willing to help with the Egg Hunt. The proposed date of April 13, 2019 is also opening day for Little League. Want to move it to the Sunday before the 7<sup>th</sup>. Rain date would be 14<sup>th</sup>. John & Jesse & Tonya spent of 30 hours filling eggs last year, 150 kids show up. Volunteers needed. Maybe get Honor Society kids to help again. The Northside used to be very involved – if there is any part of the hunt they want to take over that would be great. Moving the hunt from Helen Titter Park to the Fire Company in the back; no games like last year. Kids were not interested. Help needed for the event.

St Patrick's Day Parade – March 16, 2019

Will be an action item at the February meeting

Fireworks – Friday July 5, Raindate of the 6<sup>th</sup>. Other costs to be considered, porta potties, trash and police. Will parking still be done by Scouts? Will Chamber be handling vendors?

Public Comment (not verbatim)

GianMarco –Regarding satellite parking, we cannot charge for someone to park – where does that \$\$ come from for maintaining? Paid spaces do not count towards mitigation. Free spaces count towards parking. Adding buffers, landscaping lighting there's not much room for additional spots. This ordinance is for basically Schaefer's & Chesapeake Inn. If we build a nice parking lot, we cannot charge.

Gwen Clayton – When will the parking lot be closed? People hang out there after hours and partying. Owner needs a "No Loitering" sign after a certain hour – police can have them move on. There's beer bottles and trash in my yard already.

Mayor & Council

Mayor – received complaints from post office that large trucks parking in front of JoJos. If anyone is having trouble getting out of the shopping center, please notify the Mayor; with