

July 14, 2014
Williamsburg City Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and noted council members Bunge, Grier, Kirkpatrick and McGovern present; Kubas was absent.

Motion Bunge, 2nd McGovern to approve the consent agenda items -- all aye.

Todd Fry, 105 Court St addressed the Council regarding getting 9 inches of water in his basement for the first time in 30 years on June 30th. Public Works Director John Avery indicated the reason could be due to an open sewer line on the Wilson St Project during the heavy downpour.

The Police, Recreation, Library and Fire Department all gave reports to the Council.

Motion Bunge, 2nd McGovern to direct the Recreation Director to order a new water heater for the Rec Center – all aye.

Motion McGovern, 2nd Kirkpatrick to approve hiring Becca Annis as a substitute lifeguard at a rate of \$7.50 per hour – all aye.

Mayor Murphy will respond to the request by Kari Kueter to close certain streets for an Autism Walk. Mayor Murphy will respond to the request by the Williamsburg Race Committee to close certain streets for the 26th annual Hit the Bricks race.

Mayor Murphy opened the public hearing scheduled at 7:45 p.m. for consideration of amending Chapter 69 of the Williamsburg Code of Ordinances prohibiting parking on both sides of Welsh Street from the west corporate line to the alley located between State & Welsh Streets one-half block west of Elm Street. With no one speaking for or against the amendment, Mayor Murphy closed the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Motion Bunge, 2nd Kirkpatrick to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 546-14 prohibiting parking on both sides of Welsh Street from the west corporate line to the alley located between State & Welsh Streets one-half block west of Elm Street. Bunge, McGovern, Kirkpatrick, Grier – aye.

Motion Kirkpatrick, 2nd McGovern to suspend the rule requiring a 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance 546-14 and approve its adoption upon publication and signature of the Mayor. McGovern, Kirkpatrick, Grier, Bunge – aye.

Mayor Murphy opened the public hearing scheduled at 8:00 p.m. for consideration of amending Chapter 140 of the Williamsburg Code of Ordinances by requiring driveways be poured consistent with Chapter 3 of the Williamsburg Design Standards. With no one speaking for or against the amendment, Mayor Murphy closed the public hearing at 8:01 p.m.

Motion Bunge, 2nd McGovern to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 547-14 requiring driveways be poured consistent with Chapter 3 of the Williamsburg Design Standards. McGovern, Bunge, Kirkpatrick, Grier – aye.

Motion McGovern, 2nd Grier to suspend the rule requiring a 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance 547-14 and approve its adoption upon publication and signature of the Mayor. Kirkpatrick, Grier, Bunge, McGovern – aye.

Mayor Murphy opened the public hearing scheduled at 8:15 p.m. for consideration of amending Chapter 136 of the Williamsburg Code of Ordinances by placing the responsibility of sidewalk maintenance onto the abutting property owner. City Attorney Tindal explained the reasoning for recommending the amendment. With no one speaking for or against the amendment, Mayor Murphy closed the public hearing at 8:20 p.m.

Motion McGovern, 2nd Grier to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 548-14 placing the responsibility of sidewalk maintenance onto the abutting property owner. Kirkpatrick, McGovern, Grier, Bunge – aye.

Motion Grier, 2nd Bunge to suspend the rule requiring a 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance 548-14 and approve its adoption upon publication and signature of the Mayor. Bunge, Grier – aye; McGovern, Kirkpatrick – nay. Motion fails.

Motion McGovern, 2nd Kirkpatrick to approve Resolution 26-14 approving Change Order No. 2 from DW Zinser Co. requesting an extension of 14 days for completion of the 2014 School Demolition Project. McGovern, Bunge, Kirkpatrick, Grier – aye.

Motion Bunge, 2nd McGovern to approve Resolution 27-14 approving Pay Request No. 2 to Cornerstone Excavating Inc. for \$159,679.59 for work completed on the 2014 Wilson Street Reconstruction Project. Kirkpatrick, McGovern, Grier, Bunge – aye.

Motion Bunge, 2nd McGovern to approve Resolution 28-14 approving goals to be implemented by City Clerk Annis within her first year of service as recommended by the Personnel Committee. Bunge, Kirkpatrick, Grier, McGovern – aye.

City Engineer, Jim Jacob with VJ Engineering reported on the progress of the Wilson Street Project and the School Demo Project.

Public Works Director John Avery reviewed the Water Loss Report and along with City Attorney Tindal gave an update on the abatement of the nuisance property located at 916 Elm Street. Tindal will present options for the Council to proceed with the abatement of this property at the July 28th meeting.

Motion McGovern, 2nd Kirkpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. – all aye.

Shelley Annis, City Clerk/Treasurer