

WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES



Council for the City of Waynesboro held a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Charles T. Yancey Municipal Building, 503 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, with Mayor Allen presiding and calling the meeting to order:

PRESENT: Council Members: Bruce Allen, Mayor
Terry Short, Jr., Vice Mayor
Jeff Freeman, Councilman
Pete Marks, Councilman
Elzena Anderson, Councilwoman

City Staff: Mike Hamp, City Manager
James Shaw, Deputy City Manager
Todd Patrick, City Attorney
Julia Bortle, Clerk of Council
Michael Wilhelm, Police Chief

Guest: Mr. Bill Brent, Executive Director, American Red Cross, Central and Shenandoah Virginia Region

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES:

Mayor Allen opened the meeting and asked the City Manager to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilwoman Anderson moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and adopted with affirmative votes from Council members Allen, Short, Freeman, Marks, and Anderson:

- a) **Approval of Minutes:** Consider adopting the minutes for the February 13, 2017 Regular Business Meeting, and dispense with the reading of the minutes.
- b) **Fire Department Cardiac Monitor Defibrillator:** Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance appropriating \$32,500 for the purchase of a cardiac monitor defibrillator. (2017-10)
- c) **Fire Department – Protective Gear and Equipment:** Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance appropriating \$19,237 for the purchase of firefighter protective gear and a respirator fit tester. (2017-11)
- d) **Economic Development – Grow Waynesboro Program:** Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance \$3,279 to provide for the City’s match for the “Grow Waynesboro” grant program. (2017-12)

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- e) **Parks and Recreation – Riverview Cemetery Building Repairs:** Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance appropriating \$9,450 to provide for repairs to the Riverview Cemetery building. (2017-13)
- f) **Human Resources –Timekeeping System:** Second consideration/adoption of an ordinance appropriating \$8,440 for additional costs for the City-wide timekeeping system implementation. (2017-14)

MATTERS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilman Freeman:

Council Chat: Reminded everyone that next Monday, March 6 is his next Council Chat, to be held at Panera Bread Restaurant from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. and at the Public Library from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Anderson:

Uprising Outreach Center: At the invitation of the Uprising Outreach Center on Port Republic Road, she and other members of the Council and the City Manager visited the Center on Thursday, February 23. They were pleased that the family is taking homeless people in and trying to accommodate them.

Vice Mayor Short:

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee: The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee had their first meeting this week. The next step will be members meeting with their friends, neighbors, and business associates. Each member would like to have conversations with 10-15 people, and the Vice Mayor encouraged people to participate. His first “Kitchen Table” meeting will be at the French Press, 134 North Wayne Avenue, on March 8, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and he welcomed people to sign up on his website or on his Facebook page.

PROCLAMATION – RED CROSS MONTH:

Council presented a proclamation naming March, 2017 as Red Cross Month in the City of Waynesboro to Mr. Bill Brent, Central and Shenandoah Valley Region Executive Director of the American Red Cross:

**PROCLAMATION ^(P17-03)
AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH
MARCH 2017**

In Central & Shenandoah Virginia we have a long history of helping our neighbors in need. American Red Cross Month is a special time to recognize and thank our heroes – those Red Cross volunteers and donors who give of their time and resources to help community members.

These heroes help families find shelter after a home fire. They give blood to help trauma victims and cancer patients. They deliver comfort items to military members in the hospital. They use their lifesaving skills to save someone from a heart attack, drowning or choking. They enable children around the globe to be vaccinated against measles and rubella.

The American Red Cross depends on local heroes to deliver help and hope during a disaster. We applaud our heroes here in Central & Shenandoah Virginia who gives of themselves to assist their neighbors when they need a helping hand.

Across the country and around the world, the American Red Cross responds to disasters big and small. In fact, every eight minutes the organization responds to a community disaster, providing shelter, food, emotional support and other necessities to those affected. It collects nearly 40 percent of the nation's blood supply; provides 24-hour support to military members, veterans and their families; teaches millions lifesaving skills, such as lifeguarding and CPR; and through its Restoring Family Links program, connects family members separated by crisis, conflict or migration.

We dedicate the month of March to all those who support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies. Our community depends on the American Red Cross, which relies on donations of time, money and blood to fulfill its humanitarian mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRUCE E. ALLEN, Mayor for the City of Waynesboro, on behalf of the Waynesboro City Council, do hereby proclaim March 2017 as American Red Cross Month. I encourage all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Mr. Brent accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for recognizing March as Red Cross Month. He invited everyone to attend the Red Cross kickoff event on March 10 at the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library, Staunton.

RESOLUTION - FLORENCE AVENUE BRIDGE:

Councilman Freeman moved to adopt a resolution requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) reallocate unspent funds related to the completed Delphine Avenue widening in the amount of \$1.4 million to be utilized for the repair and replacement of the Florence Avenue Bridge. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the resolution was adopted 5:0 with affirmative votes from Council members Allen, Short, Freeman, Marks, and Anderson:**

**RESOLUTION ^(R17-06)
VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REALLOCATION OF URBAN FORMULA CONSTRUCTION FUNDS
FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FLORENCE AVENUE BRIDGE, WAYNESBORO, VA**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Waynesboro, Virginia has been notified by the Virginia Department of Transportation of an unspent Urban Formula Construction Funds allocation related the Delphine Avenue widening project (UPC #'s 87504, 87505, 16446) in the amount of \$1.4 million; and,

WHEREAS, the City has an urgent need to repair and replace the Florence Avenue Bridge (Federal ID # 22294)

WHEREAS, it is the City Council's understanding that the aforementioned \$1.4 million allocation can be dedicated to the Florence Avenue Bridge replacement project;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The City Council of the City of Waynesboro, Virginia hereby requests that an unspent Urban Formula Construction Funds allocation of \$1.4 million from the Delphine Avenue widening project be reallocated for the repair and replacement of the Florence Avenue Bridge.

APPLICATION - SOUTH RIVER FLY FISHING EXPO:

Vice Mayor Short moved to approve an application from Destination Downtown Waynesboro to permit the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on City property on Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, 2017 during the South River Fly Fishing Expo in Constitution Park. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the motion was adopted 5:0 with affirmative votes from Council members Allen, Short, Freeman, Marks, and Anderson.**

COMMUNICATION, CORRESPONDENCE, AND CALENDAR:

The City Manager distributed material he received this afternoon, and it was the consensus of Council to discuss it during the next Council meeting, after they have had the opportunity to review it.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD:

Ms. Jeanie McCutcheon, 1922 East Main Street: spoke representing the Port Republic Historical and Community Association. They appreciate and desire that all churches and administrations be able to provide whatever assistance possible to fellow citizens, regardless of their standard of living; however, the other citizens in the area believe there is a use violation at 212 Port Republic Road. It never opened or operated as a church. The McCutcheon Funeral Home opened in 1983 and they had to meet the ordinance requirements in place at that time, but the building at 212 Port Republic Road isn't meeting past or present Code requirements. She asked that Councilman Freeman, the Ward C councilman, look at the situation.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned 7:16 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Freeman.

Julia Bortle, CMC, Clerk of Council

Bruce Allen, Mayor