

# WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES



Council for the City of Waynesboro, Virginia held a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 503 W. Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, with Mayor Henderson presiding and calling the meeting to order. This meeting was also viewable by accessing the City’s YouTube Channel and Government Access Channel.

PRESENT: Council Members: Bobby Henderson, Mayor  
Lana Williams, Vice Mayor  
Terry Short, Jr., Council member  
Sam Hostetter, Council member

City Staff: Michael Hamp, City Manager  
Cameron McCormick, Assistant City Manager - Finance  
Todd Wood, Assistant City Manager - Operations  
Michael Wilhelm Assistant City Manager – Public Safety  
Julia Bortle, Clerk of the Council  
David Shaw, Police Chief  
Luke Juday, Community Development Director  
Greg Hitchin, Economic Development Director

Counsel: Melisa Michelsen, Esq., Litten & Sipe, LLC

ABSENT: Bruce Allen, Council member

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

The mayor opened the meeting and Council member Hostetter led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The mayor then announced that the application to rezone property on Stonewall Drive has been withdrawn by the applicant and the related public hearing will not be held. The mayor welcomed everyone and invited those who wished to speak at the citizen comment period to sign the sheet in the rear of the Chambers.

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**BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA AMENDMENT**

The mayor reaffirmed that the rezoning public hearing would not be held as the applicant withdrew the request, and he noted that there are two candidates being considered for service on the Waynesboro Planning Commission. Council member Hostetter moved to adopt the amended meeting agenda. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the amended meeting agenda was adopted 4:0:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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**MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR**

The mayor complimented the Parks and Recreation Department on holding a successful Riverfest event, noting it received a great turnout. He also noted that there will be several proclamations being offered by council this evening.

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**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council member Short congratulated the Basic City Beer Company for winning a gold medal in the largest international commercial beer competition, the 2022 World Beer Cup, for Best European Lager.

Council member Hostetter also congratulated the Basic City Beer Company and provided a COVID update, stating the numbers have again gone down. He encouraged citizens to get vaccinated.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council member Short moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the Consent Agenda was adopted 4:0:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

- a. Consider adopting the minutes from the April 25, 2022 regular business meeting.

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**PROCLAMATIONS**

Vice Mayor Williams moved to issue the following proclamations:

Peace Officers Appreciation Week, May 11-17, 2022 **(P22-09)**  
Public Works Appreciation Week, May 16-20, 2022 **(P22-10)**  
Business Appreciation Week, May 9-13, 2022 **(P22-11)**

Having been seconded and with no objections, the proclamations were issued by an affirmative vote 4:0:

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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**TAXES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022**

The ordinance **IMPOSING TAXES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ON PROPERTY AND PERSONS, FOR THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON THE CITY DEBT, FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT, FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND FOR OTHER EXPENSES, PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY, FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES, REVENUES, ASSESSMENTS, AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS HEREOF** was introduced and seconded at the April 25, 2022 council meeting. With no further discussion, **Council member Hostetter moved to adopt the ordinance as presented. Having been seconded, the ordinance was adopted 4:0:**

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

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**CODE AMENDMENT - SECTIONS 30-58(H)(3)(A) AND (B), 66-3(C), 86-28, AND 86-139(B) AND (F) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAYNESBORO (UTILITES)**

Council member Hostetter moved to introduce an ordinance AMENDING SECTIONS 30-58(h)(3)(a) and (b), 66-3(c), 86-28, and 86-139(b) and (f) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA TO UPDATE STORMWATER UTILITY SERVICE CHARGES, REFUSE SERVICE CHARGES, WATER UTILITY SERVICE CHARGES, AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SERVICE CHARGES AND RATES AS HEREIN SPECIFIED. **Having been seconded and with no further discussion, the ordinance was adopted 3:1:**

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Nay	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

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**RECOMMENDED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023**

Council member Hostetter moved to introduce an ordinance MAKING APPROPRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MONEY FOR ALL NECESSARY EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, TO PRESCRIBE THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES OF APPROPRIATION AND THEIR PAYMENT, AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES WHOLLY IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE, AND ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH INCONSISTENCY. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the ordinance was adopted 4:0:**

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

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**WAYNESBORO HISTORICAL COMMISSION APPOINTMENT**

Council member Short moved to appoint Mr. Robert Lambert to the Waynesboro Historical Commission to an unexpired four-year term ending August 31, 2025. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the appointment was adopted 4:0:**

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

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**VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD REAPPOINTMENT**

Council member Hostetter moved to reappoint Ms. Mary Powell to the Valley Community Services Board to an unexpired four-year term ending June 30, 2025. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the reappointment was adopted 4:0:**

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Adopted June 13, 2022

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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**WAYNESBORO PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

Council member Short moved to appoint Ms. Shari Lambert to the Waynesboro Planning Commission to a four-year term ending August 31, 2026. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the appointment was adopted 4:0:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

Vice Mayor Williams moved to appoint Mr. Nick Zawhorodny to the Waynesboro Planning Commission to an unexpired four-year term ending August 31, 2025. **Having been seconded and with no objections, the appointment was adopted 4:0:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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**COMMUNICATION, CORRESPONDENCE, AND CALENDAR:** With no comments from Council or staff, the meeting continued.

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**CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD**

*Craig Scott, Waynesboro:* suggested privatizing Sunset Park and asked the council to consider ways to optimize revenue capabilities.

*Jerry Wilson, Waynesboro:* asked Council to look into enabling personal property tax (car tax) to be reduced when a vehicle is no longer operable in the beginning of the calendar year.

*Evelyn Scott, Waynesboro:* urged Council to grandfather into the City Code the ability to keep chickens and roosters if a limit on the number allowed to be owned is set.

*Cheryl Karri, Waynesboro:* suggested Council budget to fix and update current parks before adding another park that requires maintenance and security. She objects to non-residents having a say in how the city spends money. She suggested the city have a Beautification Committee.

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**CLOSED MEETING**

Vice Mayor Williams moved that Council go into Closed Meeting to discuss:

to discuss the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, as authorized by Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(3); and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by our attorney relating to a real property, as authorized by Va. Code §§ 2.2-3711(A)(8), AND

to discuss the relocation or expansion of business or industry where no previous announcement has been made, as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(5).

**Having been seconded and with no objections, the motion was adopted on a roll-call vote 4:0 at 7:30 p.m.:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

Council came out of the closed meeting at 8:16 p.m. **Vice Mayor Williams moved to adopt the following certification resolution as read in its entirety:**

**CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION** (R22-11)

WHEREAS, the City Council of Waynesboro has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this City Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Waynesboro hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the City Council of Waynesboro, namely the subject of the Shenandoah Animal Services Center.

**Having been seconded and with no objections, the certification resolution was adopted 4-0 on the unanimous affirmative roll call vote as follows:**

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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**ADJOURN**

With no further business to discuss, Council member Hostetter moved to adjourn the meeting. Having been seconded and with no objections, the meeting was adjourned 4:0 at 8:17 p.m.:

<b>Mayor Henderson</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Allen</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Vice Mayor Williams</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Council member Short</b>	<b>Aye</b>
		<b>Council member Hostetter</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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Clerk of the Council

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BOBBY HENDERSON, MAYOR