

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, February 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM

525 North Main Street, Chase City VA 23924

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MINUTES

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Alden Fahringer.

PRESENT

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Council Member Latrisha McCargo

ABSENT

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Invocation

Mayor Fahringer led everyone in the pledge of allegiance and in prayer.

Citizen's Recognition

Christine Pennington of 126 North Main Street addressed council saying she represents Resilient Pathways. It is a family resource center that offers a variety of services. She recently opened this center in Chase City. She said it was also a supervised visitation center.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the minutes submitted for the public hearing on 01/08/2024, the regular scheduled meeting minutes from 01/08/2024 and the closed meeting minutes from 01/24/24. It was seconded by Council Member Whitaker.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

1. The minutes from the public hearing on 1/8/24 submitted to the Town Council for approval.
2. The regular scheduled council meeting minutes from 1/8/2024 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

3. The minutes from the closed session on January 24, 2024 submitted to council for approval.

New Business

4. Bills Paid in the Month of January 2024

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the January 2024 bills paid report submitted by the Treasurer and seconded by Council Member McCargo.
Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

5. Report to Council/Operating Budget January 2024

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the operating budget for January 2024 and seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

6. The January 2024 charge off report submitted to council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Hatcher to accept the January 2024 charge off report and seconded by Council Member Whitaker.
Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

7. The Chase City Police Department report for Jan 2024 submitted to council for approval.

The Mayor read over the January 2024 Chase City Police Department report and thanked the police department for all their hard work.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the January 2024 Chase City Police Department Report and seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

8. The January 2024 public works report submitted to town council for approval.

The Mayor read through the January 2024 Public Works Report and thanked the public works employees for all they do.

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the January 2024 Public Works Report and seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member

Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

9. The January 2024 Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report submitted to council for approval.

The Mayor read through the January 2024 Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report and thanked everyone that participated in the stew fundraiser.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the January 2024 Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report and seconded by Council Member Hatcher.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

10. The Town Council will vote whether to approve the allocation of ARPA Funds to repair sewer lines on Hutcheson.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to authorize the Chase City Treasurer to use \$195,000.00 of the American Rescue Plan Act funds to cover the cost of repairs to the sewer lines on Hutcheson Avenue dead end area. It was seconded by Council Member Whitaker.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

11. A request to use \$5000 of the contingency fund to repair the UV system at the waste water treatment plant.

Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to authorize the Chase City Treasurer to use \$5,000.00 of the contingency fund to have a technician repair the Ultra Violet System at the waste water treatment plant. It was seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Fahringer thanked the community for supporting the fundraiser stew that the Chase City Volunteer Fire Department hosted. He said the fire department needs volunteers.

Vice Mayor Bohannon thanked everyone for coming to the meeting despite the weather. He also thanked everyone that came to the open house. He went on to say he thought the open house was a success.

Council Member Whitaker thanked the public works guys for all their hard work repairing lines in the cold weather. He went on to say the open house was wonderful. He said the next fire department fundraiser is in May.

Council Member Hatcher thanked everyone for all they do.

Council Member Wilson said she is very excited about the Dollar General Market that is coming.

Council Member McCargo thanked everyone for all they do.

Town Manager's Oral Report

Town Manger Forbes briefed council on some of the meetings he had attended in January 2024. He said Chief Jordan had received his outfitted expedition and one more vehicle is on order and expected October 2024. The police grant was used to purchase these. Forbes explained the sewer leak on Hutchison was so deep that the town did not have the equipment to reach it. That is why Smiley's Construction responded to assist with the repairs. He thanked all the council members that came out to the open house and said he was very pleased with the turn out and felt it was a huge success.

Town Manager Forbes said the town tractor had been taken to Crewe Tractor to be repaired. It had to be taken completely apart to complete repairs. He said the cost of repairs is \$12,146.85 and requested authorization from town council to use the contingency fund to pay for those repairs.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to authorize \$12,146.85 of the contingency fund to be used to pay for repairs made by Crewe Tractor. It was seconded by Council Member Whitaker. Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Closed Session

The Town Council members will meet in closed session in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (3), of the Code of Virginia of 1950 for a matter of real estate.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to enter into closed session at 7:39 p.m. It was seconded by Council Member Hatcher.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to enter back into open session at 8:00 p.m. It was seconded by Council Member Wilson.

Voting Yea: Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Council Members participated in a roll call vote that in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (3), of the Code of Virginia of 1950 that only matters of real estate was discussed in closed session. The results of the roll call vote were:

Brenda Hatcher - Yea

James Bohannon - Yea

Marshall Whitaker - Yea

Michelle Wilson - Yea

Latrisha McCargo - Yea

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Alden Fahringer, Mayor

Stacey Pafford, Clerk of Council