

The Town of Washington

"THE FIRST WASHINGTON OF ALL"

June 8, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Approved Minutes

- CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fred Catlin opened the electronically-held Town Council (TC) meeting at 7:00 p.m. Council members Mary Ann Kuhn, Patrick O'Connell, Joan Platt, Gail Swift and Joe Whited were present with Brad Schneider absent. Town Attorney John Bennett and Town Clerk Barbara Batson were present.

John Bennett made the following statement: There's an audio recording being made of this meeting. This meeting is held as an emergency meeting in accordance with provisions of 44-146.21, the Governor of the Commonwealth having declared an emergency due to the Corona virus pandemic. We ask anyone who wishes to speak to identify themselves in case there is only an audio record. All votes will be taken by roll call vote. Anyone who leaves this electronic meeting should note that to the Clerk prior to leaving. This meeting is being held to address the matters that relate to the ongoing emergency and operations that are necessary during this period.

- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Catlin motioned the agenda be approved. Ms. Kuhn seconded and a roll call vote was taken to approve the agenda:

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"

Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"

Ms. Platt voted "yes"

Ms. Swift voted "yes"

Mr. Whited voted "yes"

Mayor Catlin voted "yes"

And the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Schneider absent.

- MINUTES: Ms. Swift motioned to approve the minutes and Ms. Kuhn seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"

Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"

Ms. Platt voted "yes"

Ms. Swift voted "yes"

Mr. Whited voted "yes"

Mayor Catlin voted "yes"

And the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Schneider absent.

- REPORTS:

Mayor's Report: Mayor Catlin had no report.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Swift reported the ESS bill is higher than normal because of the completed wastewater survey and the Country Water bill is higher because of replacing the meter at The Inn at Little Washington.

Ms. Swift made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and the bills to be paid and Mr. Whited seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"

Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"

Ms. Platt voted “yes”
Mr. Whited voted “yes”
And the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Schneider absent.

Ms. Swift voted “yes”
Mayor Catlin voted “yes”

Planning Commission Report: Did not meet in April and there was no report.

Architectural Review Board Report: Mayor Catlin reported that the ARB met and approved enhancements to the post office. If anyone has any questions regarding the changes they should reach out to the Town Clerk.

Town Attorney: Mr. Bennett had no report.

- Mayor Catlin opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Ms. Swift reported she created the budgets using extremely conservative revenue projections given the state of emergency created by the Covid pandemic. She reminded everyone that there are three separate budgets (General, Wastewater and Waterworks) instead of one summary budget for the Town. She thanked Mr. Schneider for his input on the wastewater and waterworks budgets.

Mayor Catlin thanked Ms. Swift and Mr. Whited for their hard work on the budgets. He also reported there would be a Town Council meeting on June 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to approve the budgets.

There were no comments from the Public.

- Mayor Catlin closed the Public Hearing at 7:14 p.m.
- OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business
- NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Swift made a motion to continue the meeting to June 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. and Mr. Whited seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Kuhn voted “yes”
Ms. Platt voted “yes”
Mr. Whited voted “yes”
And the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Schneider absent.

Mr. O’Connell voted “yes”
Ms. Swift voted “yes”
Mayor Catlin voted “yes”

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL IS July 13, 2020.

Barbara Batson, Town Clerk

Attachments:
Additional Bills Paid
Bills to be paid