

The Town of Washington

"THE FIRST WASHINGTON OF ALL"

May 23, 2021

2:20 p.m.

APPROVED Minutes

- CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fred Catlin opened the special meeting of the Town Council at 2:20 p.m. Council members Jean Goodine, Mary Ann Kuhn, Patrick O'Connell, Brad Schneider, Gail Swift and Joe Whited were present. Town Attorney John Bennett and Town Clerk Barbara Batson were present.
- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Catlin motioned the agenda be approved. Ms. Swift seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Goodine voted "yes"
Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"
Ms. Swift voted "yes"
Mayor Catlin voted "yes"
And the motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"
Mr. Schneider voted "yes"
Mr. Whited voted "yes"

- NEW BUSINESS:
 - (a) Update regarding the American Rescue Plan Act: Ms. Swift reported the funding coming to the Town through the ARPA will go to the County who will then distribute the funds to the Town. There is not an official amount yet stating what the Town will receive but the draft amount is approximately \$115,000. It will be distributed in two payments. The State of Virginia must distribute the funds within 30 days of receiving them from the Federal Government.
 - (b) Town Council receives the Post Office Task Force's recommendation: Mayor Catlin reported that the builder has paid out-of-pocket for enhancements to the post office. This includes a larger pitch in the roof, a metal standing seam roof, and a better gutter system. Five members of the Post Office Task Force are recommending the Northern Piedmont Community Foundation (NPCF) release \$36,603.58 to Tim Tedrick, the builder.

Mayor Catlin made a motion to recommend that NPCF release \$36,603.58 of the funding they have received for enhancement of the post office facility be paid over to the Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission for payment to Mid Atlantic Postal Properties Inc. or alternatively directly to Mid-Atlantic Properties Inc or alternatively delivered to the Town to act as an agent to disperse to Mid-Atlantic, such funds, representing costs Mid-Atlantic has incurred for enhancement of the post office facility beyond the original specifications and amounts to be paid by the United States Postal Service and Ms. Swift seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Goodine voted "yes"
Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"
Ms. Swift voted "yes"
Mayor Catlin voted "yes"
And the motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"
Mr. Schneider voted "yes"
Mr. Whited voted "yes"

- (c) Resolution honoring The Inn at Little Washington: Mayor Catlin submitted a resolution honoring the achievements of The Inn at Little Washington and its chef/owner Patrick O'Connell.

A voice vote was taken to approve the resolution; six Town Council members approved the motion with Patrick O'Connell abstaining.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Whited made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Kuhn seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Goodine voted "yes"
Mr. O'Connell voted "yes"
Ms. Swift voted "yes"
Mayor Catlin voted "yes"
And the motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Kuhn voted "yes"
Mr. Schneider voted "yes"
Mr. Whited voted "yes"

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL IS
June 14, 2021.

Barbara Batson, Town Clerk

Attachments:

Resolution honoring The Inn at Little Washington