Committee Meetings
January 14, 2004

COUNCIL PRESENT
W. E. Printz
C. H. Murphy
J. T. Dean
T. Pence
L. Sigafoose
R. L. Snow
P. Workman

STAFF PRESENT
Faye Vickers
Richard Pullen
Todd McCoy
Nathan Miller, Attorney

Richard Phillips, CPA, of Young, Nicholas, Branner & Phillips, LLP presented the Financial and Compliance Reports, dated June 30, 2002, to Council.

James A. Shields III, Development Officer with Virginia Resources Authority, was present to provide information regarding infrastructure financing for Virginia's localities.

The Virginia Resources Authority (VRA) is a service provider consisting of ten persons on staff. Acting as an authority of the State, VRA issues bonds on behalf of Virginia governments, which allows local governments to obtain loans at a lower interest rate.

Closed Session

Vice Mayor Murphy moved, second by Council member Snow, and carried to go into closed session under Virginia Code 2.2-3711 to discuss legal issues and purchase of real estate.

YEAS: J. Dean, C. Murphy, T. Pence, L. Sigafoose, R. Snow, and P. Workman

Motion carried (6 - 0 roll call)

Vice Mayor Murphy moved to go from closed session back into regular session and that each member, to the best of his or her knowledge, certified that only public business matters lawfully exempted from an open meeting requirement under Chapter 21 of Title 2.1 of the Code of Virginia were heard, discussed, or considered. Council member Snow duly seconded the motion.

YEAS: J. Dean, C. Murphy, T. Pence, L. Sigafoose, R. Snow, and P. Workman

Motion carried (6 - 0 roll call)

Corrections to the annexation map were discussed. Mr. Miller stated the map in Mr. McCoy's office with metes and bounds was the map that was recorded.

Before leaving the meeting, Attorney Miller advised Council not to commit themselves to any offer on the Kite property until all proposals were on the table.

Council member Pence expressed a desire for the Committee meetings to be organized as a work session for Council. No invitations should be extended to persons to attend Committee meetings to address problems that could be allowed in the Citizen Comment period of a regular Council meeting.

Council member Workman, in an effort to resolve agenda business, would like to see the Citizen Comment period placed at the end of Council meetings. The majority of Council appeared to be in agreement, but Mayor Printz proceeded without resolving the issue.

Committee meetings were set for February 18 and the Council meeting was set for February 23, 2004.

Life Well

In addition to the purchase price of $20,000.00 for Granville Life's water well located in Monger Hill, Mr. Life is entitled to an additional payment of $1,095.30 for a pump replacement. Foster Well Drilling and the Town of Elkton will each pay to Mr. Life 50% of $1,095.30.

Shenandoah Avenue

The railroad crossing on Shenandoah Avenue will be repaired as soon as blacktop becomes available.

Norfolk Souther Parking Lot

The proposed parking lot on 5th Street across from the laundromat is still a work in progress.

Bear Lithia Spring

Signage needs to be changed. Water haulers have requested new pumps. Currently, the pumps are key operated and consumption is based on an honor system. Two new pumps at $2,500.00 each would allow trucks to fill up in six minutes. Our present card system is expandable. Mr. McCoy has already raised the price at Bear Lithia to make it equal to the current price structure. A $10.00 flat fee plus $2.00 per load of water was discussed. Another consideration was to install one quick pump (6 minutes) and leave one slower pump (15 - 20 minutes).

Chicken Hill

Mandatory water and sewer hook-ups were discussed and tabled until a survey is conducted in the area.

Kite House

Major updates and improvements were delayed, pending a final decision on the use of the house. Maintenance upkeep like painting and shutter replacement were approved.

Budget

Mrs. Vickers enlightened Council about various budget concerns, and the Cemetery funds transfer was addressed.

Telephone System

The maintenance and repair contract with Broadway Electric for our telephone system was extended for 3 years.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mayor: Wayne E. Printz
Wayne E. Printz, Mayor

Recorder: Richard D. Carey
Richard D. Carey, Clerk