

1 **Minutes of the New Market**
2 **Town Council Meeting**
3 **Monday, August 17, 2020**
4 **6:30 pm**
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6 The New Market Town Council met in the Council Chambers of the Arthur L.
7 Hildreth, Jr. Municipal Building on Monday, August 17, 2020 with the following
8 members present: Mayor Larry Bompiani, Vice-Mayor Peggy Harkness, Daryl Watkins,
9 Scott Wymer, Bob King, Doug Bradley, and Janice Hannah.

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11 Town Attorney – Jason Ham
12 Town Manager – J. Todd Walters
13 Administrative Assistant – Donna Lohr
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15 Mayor Bompiani called the meeting to order and established a quorum with all
16 members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. Mayor Bompiani
17 welcomed all visitors and guests.
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19 **Approval of the Agenda:**

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21 **Mr. Watkins made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr.**
22 **Wymer seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous 6-0 voice vote.**
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24 **Consent Agenda:**

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26 **Mr. Wymer moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the**
27 **minutes from the July 16, 2020 Special Called meeting of the Town Council, the**
28 **minutes from the July 20, 2020 meeting of the Town Council, and the Financial**
29 **Statements for July 2020. Mr. Bradley seconded the motion which carried on a**
30 **unanimous 6-0 voice vote.**
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32 **Public Hearing:**

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34 There were no public hearings.
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36 **Citizen Comments and Petitions:**

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38 There were no citizen comments nor petitions.
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40 **Committee Reports:**

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42 There were no Committee Reports.
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44 **Staff Reports:**

45 **1. Public Works Department Monthly Report – Mr. J. Todd Walters**

46 Mr. Walters gave a brief power point presentation which included updates on
47 planning and zoning items and a summary of projects that the Maintenance and Water
48 Departments worked on during the month. A copy of Mr. Walter's presentation is on file
49 with the minutes.

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2. Public Safety Monthly Report – Chief Chris Rinker

Chief Rinker gave a brief power point presentation which included statistics for the department for the month of July. A copy of the information presented by Chief Rinker is on file with the minutes.

3. Events & Marketing Annual Report – Mrs. Amber Smoot

Mrs. Smoot gave a power point presentation which included a brief update on upcoming events such as Movie Night in the Park and Cross Roads Fest. Mrs. Smoot also mentioned several other projects on which she is currently working. A copy of Mrs. Smoot’s report is on file with the minutes.

Action Items:

There were no action items.

Mayor’s Comments:

Mayor Bompiani welcomed Mrs. Hannah and Mr. King to the New Market Town Council. He then commented that he had attended several of the Town’s employee staff meetings. He stated that he was pleased to see the interaction of the employees and how well the employees work together. Mayor Bompiani thanked Mr. Sonny Mongold for inquiring of Council Members if they understand what a “state of emergency” is and what the procedures in the Town are for dealing with it. The Mayor advised that he and several staff members met with key personnel from Shenandoah County Department of Fire and Rescue to include Fire Chief, Tim Williams; Deputy Fire Chief of Operations, Billy Street; and Shannon Walters, Service Assistant. They provided information on the procedures for when a “state of emergency is declared”. Mayor Bompiani mentioned that the Town employees did already have most of the information that was provided through their manual and their own experience. However, it was good to have all the steps pulled together and presented again.

Council Comments:

There were no comments from Council Members.

Staff Comments:

Mr. Walters commented there would be several meetings during the month of September. Likely a work session would be held, a Planning Commission meeting, a Council retreat, and the regular council meeting. Mr. Walters advised that during the work session Council members will need to discuss planning commission applicants. He remarked that four applications had been received for the Planning Commission. Mr. Walters advised that there were some site-distance issues with politically affiliated temporary signs that had been put up recently. The issue had been resolved with the existing signs, but there may be more issues during the coming months. Mr. Walters mentioned that the new owner of the Burkholder property is planning to begin working there on weekends. He plans to start by taking the garage down. He does not believe it will take very long to take the buildings down on the property.


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Closed Session:


None.

Adjournment:

At 6:52 p.m. Mr. Wymer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bradley seconded the motion which carried on a unanimous 6-0 voice vote.



J. Todd Walters, Town Clerk



Larry Bompiani, Mayor