



City of Harrisonburg

409 S. Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

*Mayor Christopher B. Jones
Vice-Mayor Richard Baugh
Council Member Ted Byrd
Council Member Kai Degner
Council Member Abe Shearer*

Tuesday, June 23, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Comments from the public, limited to five minutes, on matters not on the regular agenda. (Name and address are required)
5. Consent Agenda (any item placed on the consent agenda shall be removed and taken up as a separate matter, if so requested by any member of Council, otherwise all items will be voted on with one (1) motion)

5.a. Minutes

Attachments: [June 9, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes](#)

- 5.b. Consider a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,077,179.40 for the initial buy-in payment to the Middle River Regional Jail

Review & Recommendation: At its May 12, 2015 Council meeting, City Council approved the buy-in agreement for membership in the Middle River Regional Jail (MRRJ). This supplemental appropriation budgets the funds for the first required payment to MRRJ that will be made before June 30, 2015.

Attachments: [Supplemental Appropriation \(MRRJ\)](#)

Legislative History

5/26/15 City Council approved

- 5.c. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the Fire Department in the amount of \$66,748.58

Review & Recommendation: These funds are received from donations, recovered costs and hazmat responses.

Attachments: [Supplemental Appropriation](#)

Legislative History

6/9/15 City Council approved

- 5.d. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the School Board in the amount of

\$700,000

Review & Recommendation: The School Board has incurred costs for architecture and engineering services associated with the new school construction. These funds are a portion of the \$2,000,000 that City Council set aside for this purpose and will be transferred to the School Capital Projects Fund from the General Fund's fund balance.

Attachments: [Supplemental Appropriation](#)

Legislative History

6/9/15 City Council approved

- 5.e. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the Public Transportation Department in the amount of \$1,447,126

Review & Recommendation: These funds will be used to finish out the transportation facility project. Funding will be provided from \$6,474.57 in bond interest, \$575,842 in State and Federal funds, \$225,000 from the School Transportation Fund, \$339,809.43 from the Public Transportation Fund and \$300,000 from the Central Garage Fund.

Attachments: [Supplemental Appropriation \(Transit Facility\)](#)

Legislative History

6/9/15 City Council approved

- 5.f. Consider amending and re-enacting Section 7-4-1 of the Harrisonburg City Code increasing water rates

Review & Recommendation: The ordinance amendment would increase water rates charged by the city by \$0.10 per one thousand (1000) gallons. This is an amendment to increase water rates to reflect the FY15-16 budget which was approved by the City Council on May 26, 2015.

Attachments: [Public Hearing Notice](#)
[Section 7-4-1 Ordinance](#)

Legislative History

6/9/15 City Council approved on first reading

6. Public Hearings

- 6.a. Consider amending the ordinances governing the election of Harrisonburg School Board members

Review & Recommendation: Attached is additional information regarding this matter.

Attachments: [Public Hearing Notice](#)
[Election Information](#)

7. Regular Items

- 7.a. Regional Economic Development update

Review & Recommendation: Carrie Chenery, Shenandoah Valley Partnership Executive Director, will provide a Regional Economic Development update.

- 7.b. Consider adopting alignment for the Mt Clinton Pike Road Improvement Project

Review & Recommendation: The Department of Public Works held a Design Public Hearing for this project on May 13, 2015 at Park View Mennonite Church to receive public comment. The Design Public Hearing was conducted in accordance with VDOT's Public Involvement Manual and properly advertised in the Daily News Record. A total of 48 Citizens attending the Design Public Hearing and 12 comments were received by Public Works. Comments were generally supportive, with the noted items addressed in the attached memo. There are no design changes proposed as a result of the Public Hearing. Council is asked to adopt the alignment by Resolution. Right of way and easement negotiations and acquisitions can begin following adoption. Construction is not anticipated until at least 2018, as additional funding for the completion of the Right of Way phase, and Construction phase is still needed.

Attachments: [2015-06-10_Memo to City Manager_Public Hearing Summary](#)
[2015-06-03_DPH Meeting Summary](#)
[d103007_PH Display](#)
[Mt. Clinton_Chicago Ave_PH Handout](#)
[2015-06-15_Mt Clinton Pike Road Improvement Resolution](#)

7.c. Consider a request of the removal of delinquent taxes from current collections accounts

Review & Recommendation: As stipulated in City Code section 4-1-36 and the Code of Virginia 58.1-3940, which stipulates the duration of time taxes can be collected, the Treasurer requests from Council that 1994-1995 real estate taxes, and 2009 personal property taxes be removed from current collection accounts.

Attachments: [2015 Delinquent Tax Letter](#)
[2015 Delinquent PP List](#)
[2015 Delinquent RE List](#)

7.d. Consider a request to advertise delinquent Real Estate taxes for the years 2012-2013 & 2013-2014

Review & Recommendation: As stipulated in City code section 4-1-29, the Treasurer requests permission from Council to advertise unpaid real estate taxes for years 2012-2013 & 2013-2014.

Attachments: [2015 Advertising Letter](#)
[2015 RE Delinquent List - 12](#)
[2015 RE Delinquent List - 13](#)

8. Special Event Application Requests

8.a. Consider Valley Fourth 2015 for a special event request

Review & Recommendation: Valley Fourth 2015 will take place on all day Saturday, July 4th in downtown Harrisonburg. All departments have approved the request with the pending approval from the Purchasing Department until all insurance documents are received. JMU is doing all of the security and parking closure at Memorial Hall for the fireworks and Fire Marshal Armstrong will be their point person on the day of the event.

Attachments: [V4 Special Event Application](#)
[Valley 4th RUN 7.4.15](#)
[Valley 4th RUN Course 7.4.15](#)
[Layout](#)
[Road Closures](#)
[2015 Street Closings](#)
[City of Hburg COI General](#)
[Valley Fourth - City of Harrisonburg](#)
[Valley Fourth - County Rockingham](#)
[Valley Fourth - Court Square Theater](#)
[Valley Fourth - James McHone Jewelry](#)
[Valley Fourth - Bank of America](#)
[Valley Fourth - First Presbyterian](#)
[Valley Fourth - Sellers Real Estate](#)
[Memorial Hall Fireworks Fallout Zones](#)

9. New Special Event Application Requests

9.a. Consider the Shenandoah Valley Pride Festival for a special event request

Review & Recommendation: The Shenandoah Valley Pride Festival will be held Saturday, July 25th from 2pm - 8pm. Festival recognizing diversity whether it be Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender. Staff notes are attached.

Attachments: [Shenandoah Pride Draft 7.25.15](#)
[Shenandoah Pride Paperwork](#)
[Shenandoah Pride Map](#)
[Shenandoah Valley Pride Festival Notes](#)

10. Reallocations

10.a. Consider a reallocation and transfer of funds to the Sanitation Enterprise Fund in the total amount of \$2,914,113.50

Review & Recommendation: In the fiscal year 2015 budget, refuse collection, recycling and landfill activities were recategorized back into the Sanitation Enterprise Fund. \$2.7 million of this transfer are funds that are in a reserve account in the General Fund to fund the city's share of landfill closure costs pursuant to the Rockingham County landfill agreement. The \$216,148.50 are funds in the General Capital Projects fund for closure costs related to the city's closed landfill.

This transfer will move these funds into appropriate Sanitation Enterprise Fund accounts to reflect the above mentioned recategorization and the corresponding landfill closure liabilities will now also be recorded in the Sanitation Enterprise Fund. With this transfer, all sanitation activities are now accounted for in the Sanitation Fund.

Attachments: [Reallocation Sanitation](#)

10.b. Consider a reallocation for the Economic Development Department in the amount of

\$50,000

Review & Recommendation: This is to reallocate existing program funds from the Economic Development budget to the Business Loan Program Fund.

Attachments: [Reallocation Economic Development](#)

10.c. Consider a reallocation of budgeted funds for the School Board in the amount of \$313,657

Review & Recommendation: This reallocation is to transfer budgeted funds within the School and School Nutrition Funds to the appropriate functions for end of year expenditures. No additional City dollars are required for the reallocation.

Attachments: [Reallocation \(School Board\)](#)

11. Other Matters

12. Boards and Commissions

12.a. Tree Advisory Board

Review & Recommendation: Roberta Fernandez's term has expired and she is interested in serving another term.

Attachments: [Roberta Fernandez Application](#)

12.b. Social Services Advisory Board

Review & Recommendation: David Smith's first term will expire July 1, 2015. Don Driver is checking to see if Mr. Smith is interested in serving a second term that would expire June 30, 2019.

13. Adjournment