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**Town of Louisa  
Monthly Meeting  
April 18, 2017**

**Present:** R. Garland Nuckols, Mayor; Andrew G. Wade, Vice-Mayor; Mary Jane Clarke; A. Daniel Carter; James S. Artz; Jeff Gore, Legal Counsel; Tom Filer, Town Manager; Jessica M. Ellis, Clerk; Elizabeth T. Nelson, Treasurer; M. Brad Humphrey, Public Works Director; Ronnie Roberts, Chief of Police

**Absent:** Jessica Lassiter, Council Member

**Also in Attendance:** Deana Meredith, The Central Virginian, Steven Mulroy, VML/VaCO

***All copies including: reports, handouts, and documents can be found following the minutes.***

Mayor Nuckols called the Louisa Town Council meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Nuckols requested that the LAC Outdoor Permit for Music and Wine at Sundown be added to the agenda under New Business as item no. 6.

Council member Artz made the motion to approve the amended consent agenda. Council member Carter seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**VML/VaCO Finance Planning – Steven Mulroy**

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2 Mr. Steven Mulroy, of VML/VaCO, stood and gave a lengthy and  
3 detailed power point presentation on refinancing opportunities. A  
4 brief discussion followed. A copy of his presentation was included in  
5 the packet.

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7 **OLD BUSINESS**

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9 **1) Discussion/Action: FY 2017-2018 Budget**

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11 Council set a budget work session for Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at  
12 6:00 p.m.

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14 **NEW BUSINESS**

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16 **1) Discussion/Action: Noise Ordinance**

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18 Mr. Filer stated that the Chief of Police has received noise complaints  
19 recently and while looking in the code book for direction, a draft  
20 amending the noise ordinance was discovered, but was not adopted.

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22 Mr. Gore then spoke to the matter and provided some history  
23 (Supreme Court rulings over the past few years) that helped to clarify  
24 the matter.

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26 Chief Roberts then spoke to the current noise complaints to explain  
27 the problem that he is having difficulties resolving.

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29 Council and staff discussed the matter at length and then directed Mr.  
30 Filer and Mr. Gore to research and discuss the issue further and bring  
31 it back for discussion at the next Council meeting.

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33 **2) Discussion/Action: Cops for Kids Outdoor Event Permit &  
34 Evan Adams Memorial Ride Permit**

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36 Council member Carter made the motion to approve both permits  
37 simultaneously. Council member Clarke seconded the motion. The  
38 vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

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2 **3) Discussion/Action: Resolution – Refinance Application**  
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4 Mr. Filer stated that the debt being discussed would be that of the  
5 WWTP and the LDDC. Mr. Filer went on to state that adopting the  
6 resolution application does not enter the town into an agreement, it  
7 simply gets the ball rolling before the May 1, 2017 deadline. Mr. Filer  
8 went further to read the resolution aloud.

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10 Council member Clarke made the motion to adopt the refinance  
11 application resolution. Council member Artz seconded the motion.  
12 The vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

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14 **4) Discussion/Action: Resolution – PD Car Finance**  
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16 Council member Clarke made the motion to adopt the PD Car  
17 Finance Application Resolution. Council member Wade seconded  
18 the motion. The vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

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20 **5) Discussion/Action: Telemetry Water System Proposal**  
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22 Mr. Filer reported that, to date, the town has not received a letter from  
23 the Health Department in regards to our consent order, however they  
24 are still expecting the town to install a telemetry water system and  
25 conduct water aging tests. Mr. Filer stated that the proposal for the  
26 telemetry water system and the replacement of water valves on the  
27 tanks would be \$15,220.

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29 Council member Wade made the motion to approve the telemetry  
30 water system and valve replacements. Council member Carter  
31 seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

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33 **6) Discussion/Action: LAC Outdoor Permit for Music and Wine**  
34 **at Sundown**  
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36 Council member Wade made the motion to approve the LAC Outdoor  
37 permit for Music and Wine at Sundown. Council member Clarke  
38 seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.  
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**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Police Department:

*(Please refer to the Police Department report.)*

Chief Roberts reviewed the Police Department’s report and fielded questions from Council.

Police Committee:

No report.

Water & Sewer Department:

*(Please refer to the Water & Sewer Department report.)*

Mr. Humphrey was not in attendance this evening. Mr. Filer spoke in his place and highlighted areas of interest from his report.

Litter Committee:

No report.

Streets & Sidewalks

No report.

Cemetery

No report.

**REPORTS FROM STAFF**

Counsel

No report.

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Clerk

No report.

Treasurer

No report.

Manager

Mr. Filer made mention of the following:

- DEQ has issued a drought watch advisory throughout Virginia.
- The Water Authority provided a byproducts chart that is in the packet.
- The Historical Society will begin the process of moving the small school house onto the campus on April 19, 2017.
- Heritage Day will be held at the Historical Society on April 29, 2017.
- Chamber of Commerce news was included in the packet.
- There was a small accident involving a town vehicle recently. All involved are fine and there was minor damage.
- The double entry doors from the parking lot into the Arts Center are being replaced. The doors are being donated, and they are currently looking for a contractor to install them.
- Dabney Coleman's town garden project is underway.
- The light poles that were hit by vehicles on W. Main Street will be replaced. They have been ordered, but are currently on backorder.
- The Treasurer will be meeting with the collection agency that the County of Louisa uses to find out how the town can be more successful in collecting tax debt, etc.
- The Chamber of Commerce has asked permission to use the town logo while advertising for the Celebrate Louisa festival in June.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:27 p.m., Council Member Artz made the motion to continue the meeting to Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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Mayor

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Clerk