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**Town of Louisa
Monthly Meeting
December 16, 2014**

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Present: R. Garland Nuckols, Mayor; Mary Jane Clarke, Warren D. Gehle, A. Daniel Carter, Council Members; Roger Wiley, Legal Counsel; Brian W. Marks, Town Manager; Jessica M. Ellis, Clerk; M. Brad Humphrey, Project Manager; Ronnie Roberts, Chief of Police

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Also Attending: Jason Murphy, The Central Virginian

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Absent: Matthew L. Kersey, Vice-Mayor; Andrew Wade, Council member

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

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Mayor Nuckols called the Louisa Town Council meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

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None.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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Mr. Marks requested that item number one under New Business be struck from the agenda.

Council member Clarke made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Council member Gehle seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 3-0 in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

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2 **1) Discussion/Action: Bank Franchise Tax Rebate**

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4 Mr. Marks gave a brief update on the matter and discussed the
5 available options with Council.

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7 Mr. Marks recommended choosing to pay back the funds over a five
8 year period.

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10 Council member Carter made the motion to pay back the funding
11 over a five year period. Council member Clark seconded the motion.
12 The vote went as follows: 3-0 in favor.

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14 **2) Discussion/Action: Sidewalk Ordinance Modification**

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16 Mr. Marks briefed Council on the matter and referred to minutes and
17 memos included in the packet from the Planning Commission. Mr.
18 Marks stated that the Planning Commission recommended not
19 changing the Sidewalk Ordinance.

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21 Council member Gehle then spoke to the matter on a personal basis
22 and also spoke to the impact it could potentially have on pedestrians
23 and drivers in the area.

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25 Council concluded their discussion by deciding not to take any action
26 at this time.

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28 **NEW BUSINESS**

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30 **1) Discussion/Action: 2015 Calendar**

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32 Mr. Marks referred to the Calendar that was included in the packet for
33 Council to consider.

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35 Mayor Nuckols questioned how the calendar is decided upon, and a
36 brief discussion was held on the matter.

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2 Council member Clarke made the motion to adopt the 2015 Holiday
3 Calendar. Council member Carter seconded the motion. The vote
4 went as follows: 3-0 in favor.

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6 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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8 **Police Department:**

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10 (Please refer to the Police Department report.)

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12 Chief Roberts reviewed the Police Department's report and fielded
13 questions from Council.

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15 **Water & Sewer Department:**

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

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19 Mr. Humphrey stood before Council and read aloud from his report,
20 highlighting areas of interest.

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22 **Litter Committee:**

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24 No report.

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26 **Streets & Sidewalks**

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28 No report.

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30 **Cemetery**

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32 No report.

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34 **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

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36 **Counsel**

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38 Mr. Wiley reported that the Governor is due to announce his plans for
39 the state tomorrow.

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Clerk

No report.

Treasurer

Mr. Marks reported that we need to appoint an interim Treasurer until the position has been filled. Mr. Marks stated that in the past, Council has appointed the Town Manager as interim Treasurer and included a resolution for Council to consider and adopt.

Council member Carter made the motion to adopt the resolution. Council member Clarke seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 3-0 in favor.

Manager

Mr. Marks reported:

- The holiday trash and recycling schedule was included in the packet.
- Information on the VML Conference – Finance Forum was included in the packet for those who are interested.
- A letter from Families of the Wounded was included in the packet.
- Today, we received our TJPDC Intergovernmental Approval for the sewer planning grant. This was the last piece needed to apply for grant funds for the rehabilitation our sewer lines.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Nuckols revisited the town holiday schedule and proposed closing the office the day after Christmas (Friday, December 26, 2014).

Council member Carter made the motion to close the office on Friday December, 26, 2014. Council member Gehle seconded the motion. The vote went as follows: 3-0 in favor.

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ADJOURNMENT

At 7:26 p.m., Council Member Clarke made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council member Gehle seconded the motion.

Mayor

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