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**Town of Louisa
Monthly Meeting
May 19, 2020**

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Please note that this meeting is being held by all-electronic means with no physical quorum of council members assembled together and no staff or members of the public assembled together. This meeting is being conducted pursuant to Va. Code 2.2-3708(A)3 as authorized when the Governor has declared a state of emergency in accordance with Va. Code § 44-146.17, provided that (i) the catastrophic nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location and (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to address the emergency.

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Present: R. Garland Nuckols, Mayor; Jessie Lassiter, Vice-Mayor; James S. Artz, Bud Dulaney, John J. Purcell IV, Council members; Jeff Gore, Legal Counsel; Elizabeth T. Nelson, Town Manager; Jessica M. Ellis, Clerk/Treasurer; Kellye B. Throckmorton, Administrative Assistant; Tom Leary, Chief of Police

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Absent: A. Daniel Carter, Council member

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Also in Attendance: Michelle Dmytryszyn, The Central Virginian; Sylvia Rigsby, town resident at 115 Cammack Street

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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 6:01 p.m.

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BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

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CONSENT AGENDA

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

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2 *(Council adopted the following sets of minutes during the approval of*
3 *the consent agenda: February 18, 2020; April 21, 2020; 1st*
4 *Budget Work Session April 23, 2020; 2nd Budget Work Session*
5 *April 27, 2020; 3rd Budget Work Session May 1, 2020. The March*
6 *17, 2020 meeting was cancelled.)*

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8 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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10 **Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget and Water/Sewer Rate Ordinance**

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12 Mrs. Nelson stated that the proposed FY 2020-2021 Budget and
13 Water/Sewer Rate Ordinance had been advertised as legally
14 required. Mrs. Nelson stated that the office had not received any
15 inquiries or comments from the public.

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17 Mayor Nuckols then opened the public hearing at 6:05 pm asking if
18 there was anyone present that would like to speak for or against the
19 proposed budget or ordinance. Hearing no response, Mayor Nuckols
20 closed the public hearing at 6:06 pm.

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22 **OLD BUSINESS**

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24 None.

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26 **NEW BUSINESS**

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28 **1) Discussion/Action: Budget Appropriations**

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30 Mrs. Nelson referred to the memo she drafted that was included in
31 Council's packet for consideration. Mrs. Nelson reviewed each of the
32 four requested appropriations: 1) Police Department building repairs;
33 2) police vehicle costs; 3) town hall elevator repairs; 4) town hall
34 computer platform upgrade.

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36 Council Lassiter made the motion to approve the four budget
37 appropriations. Council member Dulaney seconded the motion. The
38 vote went as follows: 4-0 in favor.

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COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Leary gave a brief Police Department update and made mention of recent activities in town.

Mrs. Nelson noted that the sewer relining project started this week; and revisited a conversation previously held by Council and staff regarding painting the signs at each entryway into town. Mrs. Nelson requested direction from Council – given that they had decided not to proceed with many of the town’s planned projects due to the possibility of a negative financial impact as a result of the pandemic. After some conversation, Council member Dulaney requested making contact with the EDA (Mr. Kersey) to see if they could meet and take the matter up for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Artz made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk