

Town Council:

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Mayor: Fletcher Fosque
Town Manager: Matt Spuck

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Town of Onancock

Public Hearing – held virtually

November 30, 2020, 5:30 PM

Minutes

- 1) Call meeting to order
 - a) Mayor Fosque called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM
 - b) Mayor Fosque asked Mr. Spuck to call roll:
 - i) Councilmember Bloxom Attended via video
 - ii) Councilmember Burger Attended via video
 - iii) Councilmember Gillespie Attended via video (arrived at 5:35pm)
 - iv) Councilmember Krause Absent
 - v) Councilmember Marino Attended via video
 - vi) Councilmember Oswald Attended via telephone
 - (1) A quorum was present
- 2) Mayor Fosque requested a motion to accept the minutes from the public hearing held on November 19, 2020:
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Bloxom with a proper second by Councilmember Marino
- 3) The motion passed unanimously, 5-0, without abstention
- 4) Mayor Fosque called the public hearing to order and requested Mr. Spuck to open the hearing with a short presentation that explains the purpose for the hearing and certain pertinent background information
 - a) Mr. Spuck shared:
 - i) The Virginia Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds local governments to address critical community development needs, including housing, infrastructure, and economic development. This program has been administered by the Virginia Department and Community Development (DHCD) since 1982. CDBG funds are made available to DHCD by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
 - ii) In accordance with Section 104(b)(3) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the use of CDBG funds meet one of the following national objectives:
 - (1) Give maximum feasible priority to activities which will benefit low-and-moderate-income families;
 - (2) Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight, and;
 - (3) May also include activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the community.
 - iii) The Virginia CDBG program makes funding available to local governments for planning and implementing community development projects in non-entitlement localities. Each project and activity utilizing CDBG funding must meet a national objective. Projects that do not meet at least one of the three national objectives will not be considered for funding.

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- b) The Town of Onancock Town Council authorized the Town Manger to submit an application to DHCD for CDBG funding to meet the national objective of HUD for Urgent Need to help Onancock small business recovery from the devastating impact of COVID-19.
- c) A copy of the application and letter of interest submitted by Mr. Spuck are available for public review both on the website and in hard copy at the Town Hall, located at 15 North Street in Onancock.
- d) The purpose of this public hearing is to solicit public input on local community development and housing needs in relation to Community Block Grant (CDBG) funding for a project in our community. Attendees are encouraged to also comment on the Town's past use of CDBG funds.
 - i) Five residents attended the hearing and after several attempts to solicit comment, none were made.
- e) Mayor Fosque closed the public hearing at 5:42pm
- 5) Motion to adopt resolution for adopt resolution regarding Town's CDBG application for COVID-19 Small Business Recovery Assistance grant
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Gillespie with a proper second by Councilmember Oswald.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 6) Motion to adopt the Town of Onancock Business and Employment Plan
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Burger.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 7) Motion to adopt the Town of Onancock Non-Discrimination Policy
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Gillespie.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 8) Motion to adopt the Town of Onancock Section 504 Grievance Procedure
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Burger.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 9) Motion to adopt the Town of Onancock Handicapped Regulation
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Bloxom.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 10) Motion to adopt the Town of Onancock Fair Housing Certification
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Gillespie.
 - i) The vote was unanimous, 5-0, with no abstentions.
- 11) Mayor Fosque requested a motion to adjourn the Town Council meeting of November 30, 2020 at 5:56pm
 - a) Moved by Councilmember Oswald with a proper second by Councilmember Bloxom
 - i) The motion passed unanimously, 5-0, without abstention.