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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF STANARDSVILLE, VA., WAS HELD ON MONDAY MAY 12th, 2025, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL.

PRESENT: Council Members: Richard Early
Doris Swenson
Kevin Kelley
Matthew Kime
Michael Payne, Mayor
Maynard Sipe, Town Attorney
Michael Wolkowicz, Clerk

Noting that a quorum was present, Mayor Payne called the meeting to order and inquired if the Council had read the April Minutes for the previous meeting. The Council answered in the affirmative. Doris Swenson motioned to approve the April Minutes which was seconded by Kevin Kelley; Voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye and Matthew Kime- Aye; Motion passed.

Clerk's Report

Clerk Wolkowicz reported he had fielded phone calls, reminded the Council of the yearly Budgetary workshops, noted he had added three requested events to VRSA Insurance, ordered checks for the new checking account, transferred $9K of funds from the Operating Account to the checking for the William Mills House project and the Flint billing, reported receipt of the State of VA Fire Program acknowledgement and acknowledged Attorney Sipe for his help in the SLFRF-Covid fund reportage.

Financial Report

Clerk Wolkowicz highlighted the previously tabled March Balance Sheet changes that were requested regarding a misassigned $15K VDOT reimbursement. Kevin Kelley motioned to accept the March Financial Report which was seconded by Matthew Kime; Voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye and Matthew Kime- Aye; Motion passed.

Clerk Wolkowicz highlighted the transfer of funds from the Operating account to the checking account to cover William Mills House project. Doris Swenson motioned to accept the April Financial Report which was seconded by Richard Early; Voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye and Matthew Kime- Aye; Motion passed.

William Mills House

Mayor Payne noted a planned Executive Session and receipt of bills.

BZA

Attorney Sipe updated the Council on planned meetings for the newly formed BZA and noted the possibility of a three-member BZA owing to State of VA regulations governing Town population size.

Old Business

Attorney Sipe noted his continuing work on Sign Ordinances which he would update further in the future.

New Business

Mayor Payne noted problems with emailings and suggested updates to the Town account and website. Chad Denby had given a proposal of $4,800 for any changeover and presented documentation with a request to define contents of the site by a committee.

STAR Updates

Mr. Jacober agreed with the support of the WM House project and reported the receipt of a $10K grant from Google to build a website and support local activities. Furthermore, concerts have been scheduled for the last Friday of the month.

SIDC Updates

Mr. Jacober reported the 4th of July event planning was ongoing with scheduled bands, a beer garden, and a $20 parking fee needed to supplement the financing of the event, as well as a request for added donations. A car show had been held and a Run was also planned.

Update from County Representatives

The County Planning Commission was to elect their officers and work sessions were planned. Mr. Frydl reported that the Comprehensive Plan was complete and that he would present it to the Council for their feedback and input. Additionally, planning was ongoing for the Blueridge Meadows apartment complex contingent on the Town's zoning and the new BZA committee, and that there was a possible denial of the 3rd entrance by VDOT but that this would be appealed.

Public Comments

The Planning Commission said that there had been a DEQ meeting on the watershed owing to cattle, and apartment development problems requiring $85 million in cleanup costs.

Roy Dye reported that the Perry Foundation would be building restrooms at the Pavilion and requested a match of funds and maintenance of the site. A Resolution of Support was proposed.

Approval of Non-budgeted Expenses

There were none.

Closed Session

Doris Swenson made a motion to enter an Executive Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the award of public contracts by reading the formal State of Virginia transcript for invoking an Executive Closed Session which was seconded by Kevin Kelley; Voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye and Matthew Kime- Aye; Motion passed.

~Executive Session~

Matthew Kime made a motion to exit from the Closed Session which was seconded by Doris Swenson; Voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye and Matthew Kime- Aye; Motion passed.

Matthew Kime made a motion to certify that only lawful business was discussed during the Closed Session which was seconded by Kevin Kelley; certifying the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye, Matthew Kime- Aye and Mayor Payne- Aye; Motion passed.

Matthew Kime made a motion to enter into contract negotiations with Respondent B as the WMH architect which was seconded by Doris Swenson; voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye, Matthew Kime- Aye and Mayor Payne- Aye; Motion passed.

Matthew Kime made a motion to obtain additional proposals for the WMH engineer prior to contract negotiations which was seconded by Kevin Kelley; voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye, Matthew Kime- Aye and Mayor Payne- Aye; Motion passed.

Doris Swenson made a motion to schedule a Special Meeting of the Town Council on May 26th, 2025 for the purpose of evaluating the WMH project which was seconded by Kevin Kelley; voting for the motion were Doris Swenson-Aye, Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye, Matthew Kime- Aye and Mayor Payne- Aye; Motion passed.

Budgetary Workshop

Mayor Payne adjourned the regular meeting, and the scheduled Budgetary Workshop was held regarding proposed Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

Adjournment

Doris Swenson motioned to adjourn which was seconded by Richard Early; voting for the Motion were Richard Early-Aye, Kevin Kelley-Aye Matthew Kime- Aye and Doris Swenson-Aye; Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

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Michael Wolkowicz, Clerk