

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
AGENDA  
July 10th, 2017  
5:00 P.M.**

- I. Agenda Changes
  
- II. Adoption of Minutes
  1. June 12<sup>th</sup> 2017
  
- III. Truck Parking
  
  
- VII. General Information
  1. List of Citizens Concerns – Gail Nichols
  
- VIII. Town Council Agenda
  
- IX. Next Meeting: August 14th, 2017
  
- X. Adjournment

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Mr. Jack Lawson called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Committee members present included Jack Lawson, Chairman; Deborah Ball, Paul Kelley and Gail Nichols.

Also present: Jim Hudson, Mayor; John Edwards, Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Tim Sawyer, Building Official and Holly McGowan, Director of Community Development.

**I Agenda Changes**

There were no changes made to the agenda.

**II. Adoption of Minutes**

June 12<sup>th</sup> 2017

Mrs. Ball made a motion to adopt the minutes, seconded by Mr. Kelley. Upon a unanimous vote the motion was approved.

**III. On-Street Truck Parking**

Andrea Erard, the Town Attorney joined the meeting via phone conference.

Ms. Erard stated that she is not clear on what Town Council wants and what area it is needed.

Paul Kelley stated that the current primary issue is on Kirby Street between 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Kelley asked what options the Town has to prohibit truck parking on the street. There are vehicle owners that live in New Kent County, they park their tractor trailers on Kirby Street overnight, then drive their personal vehicle back into West Point in the morning, leave their personal vehicle parked on Kirby Street while they go to work in the truck. The trucks are not owned by citizens that live in West Point, the owners of the trucks live in New Kent so they are not paying personal property tax on the tractor trailers or personal cars. The tractor trailers leave on a Monday through Thursday during the day and are parked from Thursday through the weekend.

Andrea advised that the Town can limit parking and install parking meters.

John Edwards stated that if the Town limits parking, it would apply to all vehicles, campers and boat trailers.

Mrs. Ball stated that limiting parking would not be an option in residential areas.

Paul Kelley asked what options would the Town have for trucks that park in Town and use the Town as a parking lot over the weekend.

Andrea Erard stated that unless the Town wanted to set up a parking permit plan like Alexandria or Annapolis. People can live here then register a truck in Maine. There is a State Statute that allows the Town to have no parking.

Mr. Edwards read the Virginia Commonwealth State Statute and advised that VDOT owns the roads and that the State Statute would not apply in West Point.

Andrea Erard stated that she would disagree with the State Statute that Mr. Edwards quoted. Ms. Erard also stated that it would be helpful before going through the State Statute to know what it is that the Town wants to do and Ms. Erard would find a way to do it.

Jim Hudson stated that the Town does not want truck parking on public streets overnight.

Andrea Erard asked if the trucks can park during the day. Ms. Erard suggested that the Town could amend the Town Code section CD34:37a.

Mr. Edwards advised that it would not solve the issue, to amend the Town Code would also apply to boat trailers, campers and utility trailers of town residents.

The consensus of the Committee is that trucks should be allowed if they are delivering or doing some kind of business during the day, but truck parking overnight should not be allowed.

Andrea Erard advised that she would draft language for “no tractor trailer parking overnight” for the Committee to review at next month’s meeting.

#### **IV. General information**

Mrs. Nichols presented the Committee with the attached list of 7 concerns expressed to her by members of the community.

Mr. Edwards reviewed each item on the list and explained how each item should be handled.

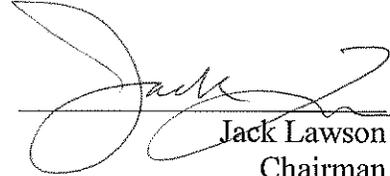
#### **V. Town Council Agenda**

There were no items for the Town Council agenda

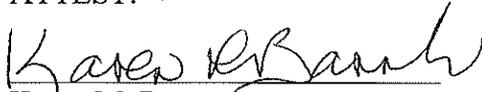
#### **VI. Next Meeting Date: August 14<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**VII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 P.M.

  
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Jack Lawson  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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Karen M. Barrow  
Town Clerk