



OCCOQUAN TOWN COUNCIL
Council Work Session Minutes
Town Hall - 314 Mill Street, Occoquan, VA 22125
Tuesday, December 16, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Elizabeth Quist; Vice Mayor Pat Sivigny; Councilmember Tyler Brown; Councilmember Joe McGuire.

Staff: Kirstyn Barr Jovanovich, Town Manager; Greg Holcomb, Town Clerk

Absent: Councilmember J. Matthew Dawson; Councilmember Jim Drakes

1. Call to Order

Mayor Quist called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Regular Items

A. River Park Naming Options

The Town Council discussed naming options for the new park located at the former Fairfax Water River Station filtration facility. The Council agreed the name should reflect the history of the Town, especially its industrial past. The Council directed Town Staff to compile a list of potential names and to include them in the February Town Newsletter to encourage public comment at the February 3, 2015 Council Meeting.

B. Town Signage - Town Hall, Additional Signage

Ms. Barr Jovanovich brought forward a proposal to update the signage at Town Hall. She noted that she sought the opinion of the Architectural Review Board earlier this year, who requested that the signs reflect a more historic design instead of following the blue and white scheme of the new signage in town. The Council agreed with the design as presented for the Town Hall signage and asked Ms. Barr Jovanovich to include it on the January agenda for Council to take action.

Ms. Barr Jovanovich also discussed improving the Town sign at the corner of Commerce Street and Gordon Boulevard. She noted that the sign is difficult to see and needs enhancements, to include site beautification and improved signage. The Council asked Ms. Barr Jovanovich to put together a plan that includes landscaping and signage and to schedule for a future Council meeting for action.

C. Litter Grant Programs

The Council discussed possible uses of the Litter Grant that the town receives from the Department of Environmental Quality, which amounts to roughly \$1,000 annually. The Town Manager discussed potential options for use of the

grant to include maintenance of the current trash containers, continuing to replace the older brown cans with the aggregate cans, or to purchase new cans to replace both the aggregate and brown cans. Council discussed the benefits of moving to a new style of refuse containers to include creating an improved and more uniform appearance of the Town and to incorporate recycling cans. They advised Ms. Barr Jovanovich to include the replacement of trash cans and addition of recycling cans to the Capital Improvement Program to be discussed during the upcoming FY16 budget process. The Litter Grant funds will be used to offset the cost.

3. Adjournment

The work session was closed at 7:37 p.m.

Greg Holcomb, Town Clerk