

TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND

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Minutes of the Meeting

February 7, 2024 6:00 p.m.

Roll call for Public Hearing: Linda Forbes, Rachelle Cowherd, Jeb Lind, Sarah Farmer-Forbes, Jeremy Minor, Earl Heide and Jay Busse

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance 2024-2 Additional Appropriation. This ordinance was explained by S. Farmer-Forbes and copies were also give to the Board and public. The Board had no objections. When opened to the public there were no comments. J. Lind made a motion to suspend the rules and waive the second read, R. Cowherd seconded it. Motion carried by L. Forbes. Ordinance 2024-2 was made into by JL, seconded by RC and carried by L Forbes. L Forbes closed the public hearing.

Roll call for Town Meeting: Linda Forbes, Rachelle Cowherd, Jeb Lind, Sarah Farmer-Forbes, Earl Heide, Jeremy Minor and Jay Busse

I Approval of minutes:

Minutes of Meeting January 30, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. S Farmer-Forbes presented these minutes for approval. R Cowherd made a motion to approve Minutes from January 30, 2024 and was seconded by J Lind. Motion carried by L Forbes.

Work Session Meeting Minutes January 26, 2024 at 5p.m. SFF presented these minutes for approval. R Cowherd made a motion to approve the Jan 26th Work Session Minutes, J Lind seconded and motion carried by L Forbes.

Streets/Maintenance: J Busse gave an update that the fences have and poles have been torn down. He also stated that this week his crew used 2.5 tons of asphalt to fill potholes in town.

Water/Sewer: E Heide stated that they would start on the water project as soon as possible. He is hoping that once they get here all the work can be completed in a timely manner.

Town Marshal: J Minor noted that he was actively taking care of the "Franklin street dog issue" and didn't note anything else.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Darren Foreman gave a report on their runs. They had 9 calls, averaged 7 responders per call and saved one life.

Report from Attorney: Rob was not present.

Clerk/Treasurer:

- Sarah FF, presented Accounts Payable Voucher Register for February 7, 2024 to the Board, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the APV Register, Jebadiah L. seconded the motion. Motion carried by LF.
- S Farmer-Forbes, presented the Bank Reconciliements for December 2023. J. Lind made the motion to approve, R. Cowherd seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.
- S Farmer-Forbes presented the Board with the Fund Report, Appropriation Report, Revenue Report up to date. J. Lind made the motion to approve, R. Cowherd seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.
- S Farmer-Forbes requested approval to reimburse Alathaea Foust \$155 for the pictures she had copied for Town Hall. R. Cowherd made the motion to approve, J. Lind seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.
- S Farmer-Forbes presented invoice for HWC for \$900 to be sent for payment. R. Cowherd made the motion to approve, J. Lind seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.
- S Farmer-Forbes, notified the Board that the 100R has been uploaded into Gateway.

Old Business:

Ordinance 2024-1 Campers & Recreational Vehicle (RV) Draft: S Farmer-Forbes updated the Board that this is still in Draft from January's Work Meeting.

Ordinance on Mobil Homes: S Farmer-Forbes updated the Board that this is still in Draft from January's Work Meeting.

New Business:

Linden Agreement for Municipal Wastewater & Water Services. . R. Cowherd made the motion to approve, J. Lind seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.

Materiality Threshold Ordinance 2024-3. . R. Cowherd made the motion to approve, J. Lind seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.

Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2024-2. J. Lind made the motion to approve, R. Cowherd seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.

Reach Alert for 2024 Services - \$351,00 Annual Fee. J. Lind made the motion to approve, R. Cowherd seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.

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Council President sign HWC Engineering Change Order 1 Email. (The result of this change order is a \$2306.65 decrease in the Contract Price.) R. Cowherd made the motion to approve, J. Lind seconded the motion. Motion carried by L. Forbes.

Next Town Hall Meeting is March 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

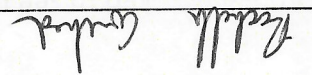
Public Comments:

Rodger K asked to see the ordinance for parked vehicles that have been there over one year. Jeremy Minor informed him of our local and state ordinance on this. Shelley W. asked if we were planning to do a dumpster cleanup day this spring in which Sarah FF confirmed that was in the works. Jeb L. asked if we could possibly do a chemical service day to dispose of liquids. Public members stated that West Central Solid Waste does this a few times a year and Sarah FF said we could look it up and put it on the month prior's utility bill. Rodger K expressed much concern for Patrick J's exterior building rafters.

Linda asked for a motion to adjourn, R. Cowherd approved and Jeb L. seconded. Motion carried.



President Linda Forbes



Council Member Rachelle Cowherd

not present

Council Member Jebadiah Lind

Attest: Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Farmer-Forbes

