

WORKSHOP MEETING
WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
THURSDAY – JUNE 11, 2020
6:00 P.M. VIRTUAL ZOOM

Present: Mayor Davis, Council members Vernon Brown, Wesley Hutchins, Peggy Leight, Marilyn Martin and Town Manager Scott Snow and Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

Mayor Davis calls the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and opens with a prayer.
Doc: Any additions to the agenda? *NO*.

Items for consideration for the June 25, 2020 Meeting:

1. Public Hearing on Zoning Petition of MW Holdings LLC and Keystone Group, Inc. from RS 20 to RM8-S: Property is located at the Southeast side of Sullivantown Road, south of Wickenham Road (Zoning Docket WA-061)

Scott: This is coming to the Council on 6/25 and will be at the Walkertown High School. There have been no changes since the Planning Board meeting.

Doc: Deputy Leonard and his Lieutenant will be there. Any questions?

Wesley: Did Keystone contact any residents or hold any neighborhood meetings?

Scott: Not since February, 4 or 5 before that. I can contact Keystone and ask.

Wesley: Maybe Keystone could send out a notice.

Rusty: I mail 62 neighbor notifications tomorrow.

2. Public Hearing on Zoning petition of David Heath from RS20 to LB-S and SIDA: Property is located at the Southeast Corner of Morris Street and Payton Lane (Zoning Docket WA-062)

Doc: Doctor Fox is moving to Poindexter Street and not moving into one of David Heath's buildings.

Scott: The hearing comes to the Planning Board in July.

Peggy: Any changes?

Scott: Not that we know of.

Marilyn: It might be 10 years before DOT writes David a check.

Doc: The entrance will be off of Morris Street.

Vernon: Is the retention pond on his property?

Scott: Yes. It doesn't hold water permanently. The site is in the watershed so the pond is required.

3. Public Hearing on Proposed 2020 – 2021 Town of Walkertown Budget

Doc: Questions?

Scott: There is one change. I've added a line for Zoning Fees, which will now come through the Town Hall. Estimated \$6K.

Items for consideration for action and discussion at the June 11, 2020 Meeting

1. Walkertown Fall Festival Schedule Discussion
Doc: The Fall Festival Committee recommended cancelling this year's festival.

MOTION: TO NOT HOST THE 2020 FALL FESTIVAL DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

2. Wickenham Park and Walkertown Little League Reopening Discussion
Doc: The Little League would like to open with games starting on 7/4 using only 3 fields with only 1 team practicing at a time.
Scott: We are mowing now.
Vernon: Let them maintain the ball park and save the town money.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE LITTLE LEAGUES REQUEST TO OPEN WICKENHAM PARK WITH GAMES STARTING ON JULY 4. THEY ARE REQUIRED TO GET WAIVERS, FOLLOW GUIDELINES AND MAINTAIN THE PARK

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

3. Town Facilities Reopening Discussion
Doc: Thoughts on opening TCP?

Council is in agreement to clean TCP bathrooms twice a day and picnic tables once a day.

Doc: Thoughts on opening Town Hall?

Scott: We are working 9am – 4pm with the lobby closed. We may be able to open the lobby by the end of June with a staggered work schedule of the clerk working Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Christina working Tuesday and Thursday.

Council agrees to the staggered schedule working 9am – 4pm and opening the lobby at the manager's discretion.

4. Forsyth County Covid-19 Funds Discussion
Scott: The county voted to share Covid-19 funds. Walkertown would receive \$17K.

Wesley: We could use it to pay for cleaning the park.

Peggy: And increasing broadband at Town Hall.

Council agrees to accept the Covid-19 funds from the county.

5. Forsyth County Sherriff's Office Interlocal Agreement Discussion
Scott leads the discussion.

Wesley: It's a bargain.

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE JULY 1, 2020 FORSYTH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR
~\$107,360.00**

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: VERNON BROWN

**VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)**

6. Forsyth County Fire Services Discussion

Scott: The County Commissioners took no action on our offer. They may at the June 18th meeting.

Doc: They came down for inspections from over \$70K. They now think it is worth \$34K. We came up from \$10K to \$20K.

Council is in agreement to wait and see what the commissioners do at the June 18th meeting.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN WORKSHOP MEETING @ 7:25

BY: MARILYN MARTIN

SECOND: PEGGY LEIGHT

**VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)**

Submitted by: Rusty Sawyer
Town Clerk