

**Irvington Town Council
Regular and Public Meeting
September 9, 2009**

The regular and public meeting of the Irvington Town Council was held at the Irvington Town Office on September 10, 2009, at 7:30 P.M.

Present:

Mayor	Alexander McD. Fleet
Vice-Mayor	Ralph D. Ransone
Council	Gene H. Edmonds William H. Evans, III Kathleen F. Pollard Robert S. Westbrook
Legal Counsel	Matson C. Terry, II
Zoning Administrator	Robert A. Hardesty

Absent:

Council	Jimmie Lee Crockett
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Guests:

Carl Gerster
Peter Salomon
Suzanne Mattingly

Visitors:

David Raffetto
Dick Sisson

The Mayor called to the meeting to order and led the group in prayer. He welcomed everyone to the meeting

Legal Counsel:

Mr. Terry distributed copies of the draft ordinance for golf carts. Included with the draft ordinance was the enabling legislation from the State statute and the Lancaster County Ordinance for golf carts in Weems.

He stated that the contract has been entered for the property that the town is interested in acquiring. He said the title to the property is being examined and the bank is preparing a proposal.

Use of the Commons:

Animal Welfare League: William Evans made a motion to allow the Animal Welfare League to use the Commons for a dog show on October 10, 2009, to begin at 9:30 A.M. Robert Westbrook seconded the motion. Vote- Yea: Edmonds, Evans, Pollard, Ransone, and Westbrook. Nay: 0. Mrs. Mattingly said

Santa Claus will be present for dogs with Santa pictures. The rain date for the event will be October 17th. The certificate of insurance for the Animal Welfare League is on file.

First Settlers Regional Porsche Club: The Porsche Club of this region would like to celebrate its 50th anniversary on October 17th with an event on the Commons. The three day event will be centered at the Tides Inn. On Saturday of that weekend there will be a Drive/Shine visual competition open to the public. The organizers do not know the number, but they are tentatively expecting 40 to 50 cars. The event will end at 11:30 A.M. Mr. Gerster will talk to the Sheriff about traffic control. If it rains, the drive/shine event will not take place. Mrs. Pollard made a motion to allow this event to take place on the Commons. Dr. Westbrook seconded the motion. Vote- Yea: Edmonds, Evans, Pollard, Ransone, and Westbrook. Nay: 0. The Club will send in their certificate of insurance. Mr. Hardesty said that should it rain on October 10th, then the Commons will be able to accommodate both the dog show and car show on October 17th.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Robert Westbrook made a motion to approve the minutes and treasurer's report and William Evans seconded the motion. Vote : Yea: Edmonds, Evans, Pollard, Ransone, and Westbrook. Nay: 0.

Planning Commission Report: No meeting; no report.

Zoning Administrator:

Mr. Hardesty reported the following:

1. The majority of letters regarding septic system pumping have been mailed.
2. Irvington Marina people are working on the process for the payment of the cleanup. Then Mr. Wylie's daughter, Cecilia, can give Mr. Daum a plan. Council members were concerned about the timeframe for the cleanup.
3. The revised town ordinances are being retyped.

Old Business:

Brochure: Mrs. Pollard said that she hoped to have a brochure by spring and she had no office report.

Oak Tree: Mr Ransone said that the council should obtain more bids than just the one received from Ransone's for the removal of the oak tree at the Commons. The Mayor said that he and Mr. Hardesty had looked at the tree and it is not dying. If the new shed is able to be placed elsewhere, then consideration can be given to leaving the oak tree as is. Dr. Westbrook thought that the County Forester should be consulted.

Chesapeake Drive Light: Mr. Evans thinks that a light should be placed on Chesapeake Drive. Dominion Virginia Power said it would cost \$4196.00 to install a light between Cedar Circle and Holly Circle. The amount of this quote was based on the fact that there is underground service in that area. Dr. Westbrook thinks that installing the light should be considered in the next budget cycle. Mr. Hardesty is going to check with Dominion Virginia Power to see if the quote is still viable.

New Business:

Aqua Surveying: Recently Aqua had surveyors in Irvington surveying along King Carter Drive. Until Mr. Hardesty asked them, the town had no knowledge of why they were surveying. Mr. Ransone said as a courtesy, surveyors should notify the neighbors when they are surveying. Dr. Westbrook questioned if it would be possible for the town office to be notified whenever there is surveying in town.

Burying Utilities: Dr. Westbrook said the town should consider asking utility companies to come to a council meeting and discuss the pros and cons of burying utilities. Mr. Hardesty was told to contact all the utilities about this.

Town Police: Mr. Evans said that he had the Kilmarnock Police come into Irvington during the summer downburst storm and during the “Stomp.” He is going to thank them. He wants the town to think about having a policeman. He will talk to the Kilmarnock Police about their coming into Irvington. Mrs. Pollard suggested having someone from the Sheriff’s department come to the Irvington council meetings periodically.

Agenda on Website: Gene Edmonds made a motion to print a tentative agenda on the website prior to its publication eight days prior to the meeting. Mr. Ransone amended the motion that this would be done on a trial basis for three months. Dr. Westbrook seconded the motion. Mr. Evans thought the Mayor or chairman should have the final approval of the agenda. Vote – Yea: Edmonds, Pollard, Ransone and Westbrook. Nay: Evans.

Reynolds Landing/Cottage Cove Landing: Mrs. Pollard reported that the Reynolds Family, having given the name change for Reynolds Landing more thought, would like the name to remain Reynolds Landing. Also the Watts family did not want the name changed. Mr. Nadel did not care. Mrs. Pollard made a motion to leave the Reynolds Landing street name, but to move the sign back to the intersection with King Carter Drive as it was previously. Gene Edmonds seconded the motion. Vote- Yea: Edmonds, Evans, Pollard, Ransone, Westbrook. Nay: 0. She will discuss the renaming of Cottage Drive with Dr. Foster. She thought he talked about naming Cottage Drive “Cross Tees.”

Steamboat Era Museum Treasurer’s Report: Mrs. Pollard asked if the other council members had received a museum treasurer’s report for this month. The other members had not received a report.

Property Maintenance: Mr. Edmonds asked about grass cutting on the property that the town wants to acquire. The Mayor said that they were not to do anything until the acquisition is completed.

Tennis Courts: In response to Mr. Evans’ question asked about the tennis courts, no one knew of any problems.

Adjournment:

Gene Edmonds made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ralph D. Ransone seconded the motion.

Alexander McD. Fleet, Mayor