

CORPORATION OF HARPERS FERRY

Town Council

MINUTES

Special Meeting

Tuesday, 29 November 2021

5:00 p.m.

Town Hall • 1000 Washington Street, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia 25425

Called to order at **5:00 p.m.** by Mayor Vaughn. The meeting took place at Town Hall and via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was live-streamed for the public on YouTube, in compliance with the State's emergency guidance on the Open Governmental Meetings Act.

Member	Title	Status
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Greg Vaughn	Mayor	Present
Kevin Carden	Recorder	Absent
Chris Craig	Councilmember	Absent
Greg "Storm" DiCostanzo	Councilmember	Present
Laurel Drake	Councilmember	Present
Jim Jenkins	Councilmember	Present (via Zoom)
Christian Pechuekonis	Councilmember	Present

The agenda was approved as presented, unanimously.

1. Discussion and action on approval to appoint Bolivar representative to serve on the Water Commission.

There was a brief discussion about the applicant, including input from the head of the Water Commission. The applicant was thanked for stepping forward.

Applicant
David Gignilliat

Nominated by
Storm DiCostanzo

Action	Appointment to the Water Commission as the representative from the Town of Bolivar.
David Gignilliat	DiCostanzo, Drake, Jenkins, Pechuekonis, Vaughn
Result	DAVID GIGNILLIAT appointed to the Water Commission's Bolivar seat, with a term beginning 29 November 2021.

2. Discussion and action on approving travel expenses for the Mayor to travel to Charleston to meet with several legislators and departmental heads.

There was a brief discussion about the purpose of Mayor Vaughn's proposed visit to Charleston, and about the travel expenses that would be incurred. It was agreed that expenses would be a good investment to enable the Mayor to advocate for the Town.

MOTION	Approve \$1,000 in travel expenses for the Mayor to travel to Charleston to meet with our legislative and governmental leaders
Motion by	Christian Pechuekonis
Second by	Storm DiCostanzo
YES	DiCostanzo, Drake, Jenkins, Pechuekonis
NO	None
RECUSAL	Mayor Vaughn
RESULT	Motion passed

3. Discussion and action on approving a candidate and salary to fill the Town Clerk position.

The Mayor announced that 65 applications were received for the position of Town Clerk, and he described the process by which the candidates were vetted and interviewed. It was agreed that Executive Session was required to discussion the merits of the employment candidates.

MOTION	Enter Executive Session, in accordance with WV Code §6- Article 9A-4(b)(1)(A)
Motion by	Storm DiCostanzo
Second by	Laurel Drake
YES	5
NO	0
RESULT	Motion passed

MOTION	Exit Executive Session
Motion by	Storm DiCostanzo
Second by	Laurel Drake
YES	5
NO	0
RESULT	Motion passed

A nomination was made for the position of Town Clerk:

Applicant Nominated by Virlissa Peer Breeden Storm DiCostanzo

MOTION	Appointment of VIRLISSA PEER BREEDEN to be the Town Clerk, hired within the advertised salary range, to start as soon as possible.
Motion by	Laurel Drake

Second by	Christian Pechuekonis
YES	5
NO	0
RESULT	Motion passed

Motion to adjourn was made by Storm DiCostanzo and seconded by Laurel Drake. Meeting was adjourned at $5:46~\rm p.m.$

The above minutes are true and correct, as approved.

Mayor:	Date:
Recorder:	Date: