THE PEMBROKE TOWN COUNCIL, PEMBROKE, VIRGINIA, met in regular session on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Pembroke Town Hall. Mayor Stump presided. Robert Lawson, Dana Munsey, Doug Sadler and Vice Mayor Betty Spears were present. Mayor Stump called the meeting to order and stated the first order of business was to approve the April 7, 2025 minutes.

- MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. LAWSON, SECONDED BY MR. SADLER, TO
   APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING.

   MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF AYE: LAWSON, SADLER, MUNSEY, AND
   SPEARS
- NAY: NONE.
- MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. LAWSON AND SECONDED BY MR. SADLER TO
   APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL, 2025. MOTION PASSED
   BY VOTE OF AYE: LAWSON, MUNSEY, SADLER AND SPEARS
   NAY: NONE.
- MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. LAWSON AND SECONDED BY MR. SADLER TO
   APPROVE THE PAID TOWN BILLS FOR APRIL, 2025. MOTION PASSED BY
   VOTE OF AYE: LAWSON, MUNSEY, SADLER AND SPEARS
- NAY: NONE.

<u>Public Comments</u>: Helen Beavers raised concern over the Council Minutes not being posted to The Town of Pembroke website and handed out a copy of a printed notice to council members requiring by law minutes be documented for Public consumption. Council took Helen Beavers request

into consideration. The Minutes are now available for viewing on our website.

P.S.A REPORT: Betty Spears provided a copy of the last web meeting with Astera, a satellite company specializing in satellite imagery of water lines for leak detection. A copy is available for viewing if anyone is interested. These services are priced at \$46,000.00 payable twice a year and are also available for cross sharing with other localities which could divert costs between communities. Discussion was left open. Permits are still pending with the River Withdrawal permit.

## **Standing Committee Reports:**

A. Water / Sewer and Zoning: Mr. Josh Tate took the floor to report the Lilly Land tank is staying at 1 ½ to 2 gallons, Fisher Hill is staying at 5-6 gallons and the Cascades tank is staying at 18-20 gallons. Mr. Tate also confirmed the pump at the Water Department is up and running. Mr. Tate complimented the office staff for keeping our Utilities Department informed of daily tasks. Mayor Stump and Mr. Tate discussed water meters being on GPS with the lead and copper testing being done. There was an increase with the PSA water bill being up a thousand dollars compared to the month of April due to a leak that has been fixed. Mayor Stump asked Mr. Tate if the "Notice" on the latest water

bills referring to wipes being flushed has improved and Mr. Tate confirmed the screen cleanings has reflected a decrease in wipes. Mayor Stump suggested that he would make a trip to the Utilities Department to discuss implementing a basket screening system to improve usage. Mr. Tate also confirmed the PSA will be delivering a dumpster for cleanup.

B. Police / Street & Lights: Chief Nathaneal Spicer addressed
Council by asking if anyone had any questions or concerns over
the Police activity log or copy of fines, Council members were
pleased as Chief Spicer gave credit to his Officers for working as a
Team and putting forth effort and energy to maintain our
Community. Mr. Robert Lawson complimented Sgt. Jenny
Anderson for a job well done while issuing tickets as he observed
the Sgt. maintaining a good rapport with a driver, she was
conducting a traffic stop with. Chief Spicer also addressed the
trash cleanup efforts at Dollar General continues to improve while
several trespassers have been cited from the location and
shouldn't be a problem any longer. Street lights are still being
repaired while one particular light at the Ball Park still needs to be
addressed.

C. Recreation: Mr. Brumfield addressed Council members stating there is no Girls softball due to a signup shortage, while Pembroke and Pearisburg have combined as a team. Club ball has been successful as 13 and up youth has begun. Mr. Brumfield touched

base about reaching out to VDOT which led to participants and volunteers having a community service day reworking the ball fields and re-sanding the baseball field. The efforts were a success. Mr. Brumfield also stated there were no plans as of yet for the County Recreation Building at this time however, railroad ties are being delivered but progress has not started. Betty Spears addressed a citizen request to have vendor / yard sales at the Ballpark and Mr. Brumfield suggested to have it anywhere besides the ball field, he recommended having a sale in the parking lot as he has plenty of space to share for such events. Mayor Stump advised the Shriner's would be having a car show May 24th at the Park. There isn't power at this site at this time but parking is ample.

- **D. Progress Committee:** None.
- E. Planning / Zoning: None.
- I. Old Business: None.
- II. New Business: Ball field progress is in the works and the Budget workshop progress is in works.
- MOTION WAS MADE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS
   PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTS, MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF AYE:
   LAWSON, MUNSEY, SADLER AND SPEARS NAY: NONE.
- MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. LAWSON, SECONDED BY MR. SADLER
  TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND GO BACK INTO REGULAR

SESSION. MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF AYE: LAWSON, SADLER, SPEARS, AND MUNSEY NAY: NONE.

- MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. SPEARS, SECONDED BY MR. MUNSEY

  THAT NO MATTERS WERE DISCUSSED IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION EXCEPT

  THOSE MATTERS FOR WHICH THEY WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

  MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF AYE: LAWSON, SADLER, SPEARS, MUNSEY

  NAY: NONE.
- MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. MUNSEY AND SECONDED BY MS.

  SPEARS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF AYE:

  LAWSON, SADLER, MUNSEY NAY: NONE.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Paulette Harman

Treasurer

James D. Stump

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