#### **Cheriton Town Council**

Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2021

#### **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Cheriton Town Council was called to order at 7pm on December 15, 2021 by Vice-Mayor Larry LeMond.

#### **Present**

Vice Mayor Lemond, Bryan Sparrow, Bo Lewis, Norma Spencer, and Greg Hardesty. Absent Barry Downing and Mayor Jackie Davis. Staff Stacey Sparrow and Warren Wisneski. Planning Commission Chair Scott Berger.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Norma Spencer and second by Greg Hardesty, unanimous.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Th minutes of the November 17, 2021, meeting was unanimously approved with a motion from Norma Spencer and second from Bo Lewis.

### **Mayors Report**

Vice Mayor Lemond reported that Police Officer Sid Adams worked 48 hours in the month of November writing 43 summons and had 70 cases for the December 14<sup>th</sup> Court date. Greg Hardesty and Barry Downing leveled the storage shed at the town office and the flagpole was installed at the town park. Also, Mayor Lemond asked for a vote on staff Christmas bonuses a motion to approve the bonuses was made by Norma Spencer and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Hardesty it passed unanimously.

### **Town Manager Report**

A notification regarding the  $2^{nd}$  disbursement for American rescue funding was received but no date for the disbursement was given by the treasury. New reporting requirements are expected in January.

The VRSA Safety grant was applied for and approved items for the town and fire department were purchased and the grant check for reimbursement is expected by the end of the month.

The tree removal at the fire department is expected to start on January 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Building and Code Report:**

Warren asked council for the ok to proceed in asking the county how to set up a court date for our town for violations that do not get corrected after sending notices.

#### **Public Comment #1**

An email from Dawn Neville, owner of The Trunk was read into the minutes by Town Manager Stacey Sparrow, "I would like to propose to the town, that commercial store owners on Bayside Rd., stop using their store fronts as storage.

It is unfortunate for the residents of Cheriton that actual stores and businesses cannot operate in our little town, because of existing personal storage being used here instead,

If at least the front half of all store fronts were rented out to folks that want to have a business here, it would help our little town to come back to life and prosper.

People coming into our store, have spoken about opening a consignment store m, a florist shop, and a bakery. These are wonderful incentives for attracting visitors to our sweet little town. I propose we introduce an amendment and pass something appropriate to help this happen. I'm sure if the current owners realized they are preventing growth of our town, they would find a way to get on board.

Respectfully,

Dawn and Jim Nevill of The Trunk

Thank you for your consideration!"

#### **Old Business:**

Rooks Taylor has complied with the requirements of the rental contract and has paid in full all past due balances. He has until December 31<sup>st</sup> to remove all property from the lot.

Council reviewed and discussed the recommended line lot changes at the park and approved with amotion from Norma Spencer and second from Bo Leiws.it was unanimous.

#### **New Business:**

A motion to approve the Cheriton United Methodist new survey plat the separate the parsonage from the church was made by Bryan Sparrow with a second from Norma Spencer and was unanimous. Bo Lewis abstained from the vote.

The 2022 meeting schedule was approved for distribution with a motion by Bo Lewis and Second from Greg Hardesty, unanimous.

## **Committee Reports:**

- **A. Parks and Rec-** Successful Christmas parade and concert on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Next meeting January 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm.
- B. Human Resources- n/a
- C. Maintenance- none
- **D. Budget & Finance-** due to early scheduling not all information has been received it will be emailed once completed.
- E. Planning Commission- n/a

# **Public Comment #1**

None

Next meeting will be held Wednesday, January 26th, 2022, at 7pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bo Lewis, second Greg Hardesty, unanimous.

# End 8:15pm