



AGENDA

WORK SESSION OF TOWN COUNCIL
CHRISTIANSBURG RECREATION CENTER
1600 N. FRANKLIN STREET
JUNE 17, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.

WORK SESSION FOR RETREAT

- I. Call to Order
- II. Town Council Retreat Discussion
- III. Adjournment

Upcoming meetings of Council:

June 28, 2022, 7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting
July 12, 2022, 7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Christiansburg Town Council Retreat Topics

June 17, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

- 1) Change Style Indicator 9:00-9:45
 - a. Members complete Indicator form, then complete the score sheet. Stand in room on continuum.
- 2) Employee Retention/Recruitment 9:45-10:30 (break following)
Card storming activity to identify ideas
- 3) Capital Projects 10:45-12:00
 - a. What is funded & happening?
 - b. Future projects that are staffing/grant dependent
- 4) Lunch 12:00-12:30
- 5) Special Topics: 12:30-wrap up
 - a. Solid waste flow control
 - b. Community support process/non-profit funding
 - c. Town Council compensation
 - d. Sustainability
 - e. Meeting with Montgomery County Board of Supervisors
- 6) Check-in, miss anything?

Christiansburg Town Council – Montgomery County Board of Supervisors Joint Meeting Proposed Agenda Items

From Mayor Barber:

- Distribution of Town Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes.

From Councilwoman Hicks:

- County contributions to the following Town departments: Parks and Recreation, Police, Fire and Rescue, Public Works (in areas such as infrastructure, roads, and pwc assistance), and the Aquatic Center.
- County contributions to Tourism.
- Town EMS calls once the Shawsville station shuts down at 7:00 p.m.
- Money and resources donated to the County in the last 10 years. Two examples are the donation to County schools for the usage of Aquatic Center and the \$300,000 for improvements to the Falling Branch Corporate Park.
- Responsibility of the County to provide parks or recreation, safety services, and infrastructure to Town residents.

From Councilman Showalter:

- Christiansburg Huckleberry Park support
- Valley to Valley Trail coordination
- Scale/role in economic development
- Emergency Services hiring and recruitment coordination

June 17, 2022 Town Council Retreat Special Topics Information

Solid Waste Flow Control

This is an opportunity to discuss the solid waste flow control topic again since the court case with Montgomery County and the Town of Blacksburg is almost settled. It is also a chance to bring the new members up to speed on a somewhat complex and controversial topic.

The public hearing for the previous solid waste flow control consideration was February 25, 2020. Town Council meeting video is here: https://youtu.be/68jFE_TvXRA?t=520 with the packet is here: <https://www.christiansburg.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/1985> minutes are here: <https://www.christiansburg.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/2003>.

There was additional discussion and the denial by Town Council on March 10, 2020 with the video here: <https://youtu.be/JLj-C2xVhJE?t=1011> with the packet is here: <https://www.christiansburg.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/1997> and minutes here: <https://www.christiansburg.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/2008>.

Community Support Process

The Town has an application for community support which non-profits may complete to request financial support during the annual budget process. This application is located here: <https://www.christiansburg.org/DocumentCenter/View/7175/Town-Support-Application-Fillable?bidId=>.

Town staff has traditionally polled Town Council to determine the consensus for inclusion in the budget before advertisement of the public hearing and final adoption. The New River Valley Regional Commission has held regional forums for non-profits to present requests to the governing bodies in the region and we have been invited to participate in those if desired by Town Council, but there would still likely be requests that are more local in nature that would need to come before Town Council for presentation. Town Council will revisit this subject in greater depth in July as promised before, however this is an opportunity to discuss the “regional forum” approach for potential consideration moving forward.

Town Council Compensation

I had responded to a recent Council e-mail regarding the last time Town Council pay was increased and I mentioned that it may be appropriate for a retreat topic. To further the discussion on Friday, I will provide compensation from several surrounding governmental bodies for your consideration. As a side, Christiansburg Town Council may utilize Town

insurance if they desire in addition to the pay. We will include this information for other localities being surveyed (Montgomery County, Town of Blacksburg, Town of Pulaski, Radford City, and Salem City).

Sustainability

I forwarded the presentation on sustainability from the last Town Council meeting. We would like to explore ideas and determine the common goals of Town Council in this regard.

Town Council meeting with Montgomery County Board of Supervisors

We are attaching a compilation of discussion topics as we best understand. The list can be added or modified as desired by Councilmembers. We would like to finalize this list for a potential agenda for discussions so that I can forward this on to County Administrator Craig Meadows soon. You may want to consider an independent moderator to facilitate the discussions with the Board of Supervisors.