

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 29-14, TAMPERING WITH WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM PROHIBITED, OF ARTICLE I, "IN GENERAL," OF CHAPTER 29, WATER AND SEWERS OF THE CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN CODE; PROHIBITING OBSTRUCTION OF TOWN WATER AND SEWER FACILITIES AND METERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Town of Christiansburg owns and maintains water and sewer utility infrastructure and operates same for the benefit of its water and sewer customers; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing of Council of the Town was held April 2, 2013 and,

WHEREAS, in order to effectively operate and maintain its utility infrastructure and efficiently provide and meter service, the Town must have access to its infrastructure;

THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia that it hereby amends Section 29-14, Tampering with water and sewer system prohibited, of Article I, "In General," Chapter 29, Water and Sewers, as follows:

Article 1. In General

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Sec. 29-14. Tampering with or obstructing water and sewer system prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to open or tamper with, including the obstruction of, any water meter, meter box, lid, valve, valve box, manhole, fire hydrant, pipe, fence, building, reservoir, or any property of the Town used in connection with the Town's water and sewer system. The Town of Christiansburg shall have the right to discontinue service to the property on which the tampering occurred and/or remove the obstruction, including, but not limited to, the towing of vehicles blocking access to the Town's water meters or other facilities, without liability therefore, in order to protect the health and safety of its customers, prevent or stop the theft of service, and to access, repair, or maintain its infrastructure.

In addition, incidents of tampering with or obstruction of Town utility facilities shall be reported to the Christiansburg Police Department or other appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation and may be prosecuted civilly or criminally pursuant to §§ 8.01-44.7, 18.2-162.1, and 18.2-163 of the Virginia Code.

(Code 1972, § 29-14)

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption. If any part of this ordinance is deemed unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction all remaining parts shall be deemed valid.

Upon a call for an aye and nay vote on the foregoing ordinance at a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia held April __, 2013, the members of the Council of the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia present throughout all deliberations on the foregoing and voting or abstaining, stood as indicated opposite their names as follows:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Mayor Richard G. Ballengee*

D. Michael Barber

Cord Hall

Steve Huppert

Henry Showalter

Bradford J. Stipes

James W. "Jim" Vanhoozier

*Votes only in the event of a tie vote by Council.

SEAL:

Michele M. Stipes, Town Clerk

Richard G. Ballengee, Mayor

Infrastructure Services

Infrastructure services are provided to preserve and enhance the quality of life for Christiansburg's residents and visitors. Ensuring that these services are phased with development is a vital component of the planning process. Furthermore, new growth places an increased burden on existing infrastructure services creating a need for additional maintenance and improvements. Planning these activities in conjunction with system growth helps maintain a high level of service and reliability while protecting public health, safety, welfare, and the environment.

Primary Infrastructure Services Goal

Protect public health, safety, welfare, and the environment, while providing high quality, well-coordinated and cost effective infrastructure services.

Potable Water Services

Christiansburg's potable water infrastructure is used to supply drinking water to its customers and provide fire protection to most service areas. The Town provides this service in order to support public health and safety.

The Town purchases potable water from the Blacksburg-Christiansburg-VPI Water Authority (Authority). The Authority draws water from the New River and filters and disinfects the water at its filtration plant located west of Christiansburg along Peppers Ferry Road (Route 114). The Town's transmission mains, distribution mains, pump stations, and water storage facilities are interconnected with and operate in concert with the Authority's facilities. Current capacity for the Authority is 12.4 million gallons per day (mgd) and average daily production is 6.5 mgd (January 2013).

Christiansburg, in collaboration with the Town of Blacksburg (including Virginia Tech), developed a Regional Water Supply Plan in 2011 as mandated by the State. The Plan details existing water resource and use information, existing related resource information, projected water demand, water demand management, drought response and contingency plan, and a statement of needs and alternatives. In addition, Town Council adopted this drought response and contingency plan as Chapter 29, Article VIII of the Town Code entitled Water Conservation.

Christiansburg's facilities are operated and maintained by the Town's Public Works Department. A licensed waterworks operator, employed by the Town, oversees these operations ensuring compliance with Virginia's laws and regulations. As the water infrastructure ages, the Town's maintenance and replacement activities are increasingly important. The Town's Engineering and Public Works Departments create and update a capital improvement plan each year. This plan identifies and prioritizes projects that are needed to maintain the existing system and support future growth.

Water system growth generally occurs as a part of the land development process or to enable future land development. Water projects constructed as part of the land development process are typically planned, designed, and constructed by privately owned builders and developers with oversight from the Town. The capital improvement plan identifies and plans for public water

projects allowing future land development. In order to maintain water system continuity and integrity, the Town must maintain written standards for system growth and actively oversee and inspect new infrastructure constructed by private developers. New development projects should connect to the Town's water infrastructure when available.

Potable Water Services Goal

Operate and maintain existing water infrastructure to provide a high level of service and reliability. Improve and replace existing water infrastructure according to an adopted and updated capital improvement plan. Extend water infrastructure to enable future development without compromising the level of service and reliability of existing infrastructure.

Implementation Strategies

- Maintain a comprehensive water system model.
 - Utilize the water system model to identify system weaknesses and analyze proposed modifications to and expansion of water infrastructure.
 - Utilize the water system model to analyze fire protection capabilities and identify areas where improvements are needed.
- Maintain a capital improvement plan, accounting for system needs identified by modeling, improvements needed to enable development, and improvements needed as a result of aging infrastructure.
- Continue to support the Authority and its efforts to produce and deliver high quality drinking water to its members.
- Protect all watersheds within the Town's corporate limits, recognizing that they are the ultimate source of drinking water for Christiansburg and other downstream public water systems.
- Protect the quality and reliability of the regional water supply system.
- Maintain standards and specifications for design and construction of water infrastructure.
- Actively oversee and inspect construction of new water infrastructure.
- Examine the water utility rate structure to ensure the cost of provision is fairly distributed to all users.

Sanitary Sewer Services

Christiansburg's sanitary sewer infrastructure is used to collect, convey, treat, and release wastewater from its customers. The Town provides this service as a result of unsuitable soils for septic systems and in order to support public health.

The majority of the Town's sewage collection systems collects and conveys sewage by gravity. Some areas, however, are not tributary to the wastewater treatment plant and require pumping to the primary gravity system. The primary gravity system delivers sewage to Christiansburg's wastewater treatment plant located west of Christiansburg along Crab Creek Road. Current capacity for the treatment plant is 6.0 mgd and average daily inflow is approximately 2.1 mgd.

Christiansburg's facilities are operated and maintained by the Town's Public Works Department. A licensed wastewater treatment plant operator, employed by the Town, oversees operations of the wastewater treatment plant ensuring compliance with Virginia's laws and regulations. As the wastewater infrastructure ages, the Town's maintenance and replacement activities and

infiltration and inflow reduction program are increasingly important. The capital improvement plan identifies and prioritizes wastewater projects needed to maintain the existing system and support future growth.

Wastewater system growth generally occurs as a part of the land development process or to enable future land development. Wastewater projects constructed as part of the land development process are typically planned, designed, and constructed by privately owned builders and developers with oversight from the Town. The capital improvement plan identifies and plans for public wastewater projects allowing future land development. In order to maintain wastewater system continuity and integrity, the Town must maintain written standards for system growth and actively oversee and inspect new infrastructure constructed by private developers. New development projects should connect to the Town's sanitary sewer infrastructure when available.

Sanitary Sewer Services Goal

Operate and maintain existing sanitary sewer infrastructure to deliver a high level of service and reliability. Improve and replace existing sanitary sewer infrastructure according to an adopted and updated capital improvement plan. Extend sanitary sewer infrastructure to enable future development without compromising the level of service and reliability of existing infrastructure.

Implementation Strategies

- Create and maintain a comprehensive sanitary sewer system model.
 - Utilize the sanitary sewer system model to identify system weaknesses and analyze proposed modifications to and expansion of sanitary sewer infrastructure.
- Maintain a capital improvement plan, accounting for system needs identified by modeling, improvements needed to enable development, and improvements needed as a result of aging infrastructure.
- Continue the infiltration and inflow reduction program.
- Maintain standards and specifications for design and construction of sanitary sewer infrastructure.
- Actively oversee and inspect construction of new sanitary sewer infrastructure.
- Examine the sewer utility rate structure to ensure the cost of provision is fairly distributed to all users.

Sludge Disposal and Industrial Waste

As permitted by National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) regulations, all liquid sludge generated by the Sewage Treatment Plant is utilized through land application. The Town's Sewer Use Ordinance regulates industrial sewer discharges into the public system to ensure generated sludge is acceptable for land application practices.

Solid Waste Disposal

In 1994, the Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority (MRSWA) was formed by the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg, Montgomery County, and Virginia Tech. The five member MRSWA Board is comprised of an appointed representative from each jurisdiction and one jointly appointed at-large representative. Participation in the MRSWA is funded through tipping fees and levies on particular services determined by the members.

The Town provides residential curbside leaf and debris collections to residents. The Town of Christiansburg also has spring clean-up and fall clean-up, which last approximately two weeks each. During the clean-up weeks, the Town accepts residential brush and trimmings as well as larger items such as appliances.

Recycling Program

In accordance with Virginia law, Christiansburg has operated a recycling program since 1992. The program is a voluntary drop-off program with four Town locations accepting newspapers, aluminum, plastic, glass, and mixed paper. One additional site is available for corrugated cardboard collection only. According to figures for Calendar Year 2011, Christiansburg is meeting Virginia's required recycling rate. Town residents can dispose of electronic and universal waste at the Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority at 555 Authority Drive (off Cinnabar Road in Montgomery County). There is a disposal fee and materials are recycled when a market is identified for each item type. www.mrswa.com

Privately operated curbside recycling is available throughout Town for both businesses and residences.

Solid Waste and Recycling Goal

Provide high-quality, cost-effective, efficient solid waste and recycling collection services for Town residents.

Implementation Strategies

- Increase locations for recycling within Town.
- Analyze public curbside recycling service provision paired with solid waste collection.
 - Evaluate a pay-by-pound fee structure to reduce solid waste volume and encourage recycling.
- Implement mandatory garbage pick-up throughout the Town.
- Require trash cans instead of allowing use of bags at the curb.
- Develop a long-term plan for solid waste management.
- Continue and potentially expand the seasonal clean-up programs.

Stormwater Management

The Town operates a stormwater management program to control the quantity and quality of stormwater from storm events. Effective stormwater management controls flooding and erosion, protects water resources by decreasing contamination, reduces habitat destruction, and limits infrastructure damage. Stormwater management encompasses both green infrastructure practices and traditional piped infrastructure.

Green infrastructure incorporates vegetation and soil into the built environment managing stormwater onsite to mimic natural predevelopment processes. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in addition to traditional stormwater management benefits, green infrastructure can also reduce smog and other pollutants, improve wildlife habitats, and increase property values.

Christiansburg's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) is used to collect, convey, detain, treat, and release stormwater runoff. The Town operates this system in order to support public health, safety, and to protect the environment. Christiansburg's MS4 facilities include both traditional piped infrastructure and green infrastructure elements.

The Town has operated a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II small MS4 in accordance with state and federal regulations and permits since 2003. A five year state-issued permit governs minimum MS4 requirements for the Town. A corresponding five year MS4 Program Plan produced by staff describes how the Town will meet permit requirements.

Christiansburg's MS4 facilities are operated and maintained by the Town's Public Works Department. As the MS4 infrastructure ages, the Town's maintenance and replacement activities continue are increasingly important. The capital improvement plan identifies and prioritizes MS4 projects that are needed to maintain and improve the existing system.

MS4 infrastructure growth generally occurs as a part of land development projects. These projects are typically planned, designed, and constructed by privately owned builders and developers with oversight from the Town. In order to maintain MS4 system continuity and integrity, the Town must maintain written standards for system growth and actively oversee and inspect new infrastructure that is constructed by private developers.

Within the MS4 program, the Town implements an Erosion and Sediment Control Program to support public health and safety and protect the environment. The Erosion and Sediment Control Program primarily focuses on land disturbances created by land development and redevelopment activities.

For additional information on stormwater management, see the Environment Chapter which further addresses stormwater management, water quality, and watersheds.

Stormwater Management Goal

Expand the use of green infrastructure Best Management Practices (BMPs) for stormwater management. Operate and maintain existing stormwater management infrastructure to reduce flooding and stormwater pollution. Execute the MS4 Program Plan in accordance with the state permit including the operation of an effective Erosion and Sediment Control Program. Improve and replace existing stormwater management infrastructure according to an adopted and updated capital improvement plan. Construct new stormwater management infrastructure to reduce stormwater runoff, reduces stormwater pollution, and protects the environment.

Implementation Strategies

- Expand the use of green infrastructure BMPs in the land development process.
 - Encourage the use of rain gardens, permeable pavements, green roofs, and increased urban tree canopy.
 - Encourage on-site water infiltration systems using natural vegetation and natural filtration systems for new developments.

- Maintain standards and specifications for design and construction of stormwater management infrastructure.
- Actively oversee and inspect construction of new stormwater management infrastructure.
- Create comprehensive watershed-based stormwater models to assess infrastructure needs.
 - Utilize the watershed models to identify system weaknesses and analyze proposed modifications and improvements to system infrastructure.
- Reduce stormwater runoff and prevent flooding at existing sites by requiring upgrades with redevelopment or rezoning.
- Encourage improvements to stormwater facilities for existing neighborhoods through BMPs such as bio-retention, rain gardens, and rain barrels.
- Expand the use of natural plantings on critical slopes to reduce erosion and runoff and promote water quality.
- Preserve and improve water quality and protect the quality and reliability of the regional water supply system.
 - Encourage stream restoration projects.
- Adhere to the Regional Water Supply Plan and update it as needed.
 - Ensure the Regional Water Supply Plan accounts for estimated quantities and impacts of outside demand for Town water supplies in the future.
- Maintain a capital improvement plan, accounting for system needs identified by modeling, improvements to reduce existing flooding, and improvements needed as a result of aging infrastructure.
- Develop a stormwater taskforce with staff and citizens to address stormwater issues.
- Create a permanent funding mechanism for stormwater management.
 - Consider the creation of a stormwater utility.
 - Investigate the need for a regional stormwater utility.
- Consider adoption of more stringent stormwater regulations.
- Enforce Town Code regarding illicit discharges in the stormwater system in an effort to keep storm drains free of debris and operating at maximum capacity.
- Identify new strategies and resources to maintain maximum stormwater system capacity and operations.
- Educate citizens regarding techniques to reduce stormwater runoff.

Private Utilities

Energy

American Electric Power (AEP) provides electricity to the Town of Christiansburg. Natural gas is available in Christiansburg through Atmos Energy. In addition to electric and natural gas provision, Christiansburg recognizes public support for diversifying energy sources in Town. The Town can aid this process by examining regulations that affect alternative energy provision.

Telecommunications & Technology

Landline and cellular telephone service is available throughout Town from a variety of service providers. Cable television and satellite television are also available within Town from various providers. In addition, internet service throughout Town is provided by numerous private

companies. As technology is rapidly changing, private utilities must coordinate with the Town to ensure the best service provision.

The Town of Christiansburg allows communication towers and monopolies in designated zoning districts with appropriate permits and approvals. The Town of Christiansburg developed a “Regional Approach to Telecommunications Towers” with neighboring jurisdictions to make each other aware of potential communications towers and monopolies as part of a coordinated effort to ensure appropriate location. The regional approach encourages co-location to reduce visual impacts of communication towers and monopolies. Through co-location, the siting of new antennae, dishes, etc. is supported on existing structures such as existing communications towers, tall buildings, water tanks, electric transmission towers, signs, and similar structures. This allows for the best use of existing structures and sites that can eliminate the need for construction of new communications structures in inappropriate areas.

A uniform approach to the siting of new communications structures involves consideration of surrounding jurisdictions as well as the locality in which the structure is to be located. To maintain a regional approach, localities notify neighboring jurisdictions of requests for new telecommunication facilities. New communications structures should be built in locations that will provide the least negative impact to the citizens of each jurisdiction. The use of monopolies and “stealth technology” is encouraged for new construction. Preference is given to locations which are in Industrial or non-ridge, vista-preserving locations. The least preferable locations include Conservation or Ridgeline areas. The regional approach also supports the use of expert consultants in evaluating requests for new structures.

Private Utilities Goal: Encourage reliable, diverse, and efficient private utility provision within Town.

Implementation Strategies

- Ensure access to natural gas throughout Town.
- Foster the development of alternative energy sources and provision.
 - Ensure the Town Code allows for the safe use of alternative energy sources.
- Increase the diversity of internet service providers within Town.
- Ensure reliable, high-speed internet and other technology services in Town.
 - Focus on providing service in economic development zones to attract high-tech businesses.
- Encourage collocation on existing structures when considering the development of new telecommunication facilities.

Christiansburg Planning Commission
Minutes of March 25, 2013

Present: Ann H. Carter
Harry Collins
M. H. Dorsett, AICP
David Franusich
Steve Huppert
Craig Moore, Chairperson
Ashley Parsons
Joe Powers, Vice-Chairperson
Jennifer D. Sowers
Nichole Hair, Secretary Non-Voting

Absent: Jonathan Hedrick

Staff/Visitors: Kali Casper, staff
Missy Martin, staff
Glen Cochran
Cliff Dowdy, Townside Realty
John Neel, Gay & Neel Engineering
Citizen

Chairperson Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Christiansburg Town Hall at 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia to discuss the following items:

Public Comment.

Chairperson Moore opened the floor for public comment. No public comments were made. Chairperson Moore closed the floor for public comment.

Approval of meeting minutes for March 11, 2013.

Chairperson Moore introduced the discussion. Commissioner Dorsett made a motion to approve the February 11, 2013 Planning Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Franusich seconded the motion which passed 8-0 with Commissioner Sowers abstaining.

Public Hearing on Council's intention to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 30 "Zoning" of the Christiansburg Town Code in regards to sidewalk requirements in the B-1 Limited Business, B-2 Central Business, and B-3 General Business Districts.

Chairperson Moore opened the public hearing. No public comments were made. Chairperson Moore closed the floor for public comment. Commissioner Franusich commented that during the last meeting the Planning Commission discussed the language on a 10' path in the Central Business District and the path option should be eliminated from the B-2 District.

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Ms. Hair responded the ordinance was advertised that way but after the public hearing tonight it can be changed to what everyone feels is correct. Chairperson Moore stated it was a very good point. Ms. Hair stated the second draft included the suggested wording to require sidewalks if sidewalks existed on either side.

Commission Dorsett commented she was going to ask the same question about the B-2 District. Chairperson Moore stated the ordinance was advertised as it previously was and the Commission had had a discussion before having a public hearing.

Chairperson Moore commented the Public Hearing is closed but anyone could've spoken on the situation and the Commission will move forward presenting to the Town Council after approval. A citizen walked in and Chairperson Moore asked if he would like to address the Planning Commission before they moved forward to item number 4. The citizen replied no.

Public Hearing on Council's intention to adopt an ordinance in regards to a rezoning request by Loyal Order of Moose, Inc. for property located at 115 Farmview Road, N.W. (tax parcels 466-((1))-60A-64A and 436-((2))-65a-67A) from I-2 General Industrial to B-3 General Business.

Chairperson Moore stated he would like for the public to speak before the Commissioners have comments and internal discussions. Chairperson Moore added if the Commissioners have questions please ask to be recognized and please hold off on opinion or preference until the Commissioners move into voting on the issue. Chairperson Moore opened the public hearing. He asked if anyone was there to represent the applicant.

John Neel addressed the Commission and stated he would be representing Mr. Walter Potter, who is the contract purchaser for the property. Mr. Potter is out of town in Virginia Beach and has asked Mr. Neel to speak on his behalf. Mr. Neel also said Cliff Dowdy is present to represent Mr. Potter on the real estate perspective. Mr. Neel handed out a graphic map to show the generic location of the property and wanted to speak briefly. He stated there are no specific uses planned for this property. Mr. Neel stated Mr. Potter has the property under contract from the Moose Lodge and would like to rezone the property. Mr. Neel would like to make it very clear no specific use has been determined at this time. He added the rezoning is strictly getting the land use in keeping with the rest of what the surrounding properties which is the Spradlin Farm shopping center and the vacant piece to the west. Mr. Neel stated Mr. Potter will look at developing the property after the zoning is determined. Mr. Neel stated the property was probably zoned I-2 because of the Norfolk Southern railroad that goes beside the property. Mr. Neel said the property does not have the acreage to be used as industrial development. He added the railroad is not a main line and the railroad goes to Corning, which delivers about twice a week depending on Corning's production.

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Mr. Neel stated he has been driving past the railroad tracks for about 15 years and has only seen one train and it was about one engine and three cars attached which is taking raw materials to Corning. He said Corning employees actually walk beside the train because it goes at such a slow speed.

Mr. Neel sees no benefit for the Town of Christiansburg to keep the property zoned for industrial use and in keeping with the Spradlin Farm shopping center, the property should be zoned B-3. Commissioner Huppert commented at one time the site was Rowe Furniture with an outlet too and that may be why the property was zoned that way. Mr. Neel replied yes, Rowe Furniture was located to the south which is now adjacent to Cambria Self-Storage and Cambria Crossing. Commissioner Carter asked how much acreage is located on the property. Mr. Neel replied approximately 9 acres. Mr. Neel commented the property does not have an official survey at this time.

Commissioner Dorsett asked what type of projects Mr. Potter has been involved in. Mr. Neel advised Mr. Dowdy could answer the question better. Mr. Cliff Dowdy responded Mr. Potter has done mostly commercial developments, office buildings, and strip malls. Commissioner Huppert asked if Mr. Potter was into the hotel or motel business. Mr. Dowdy said he is not. Mr. Neel responded he didn't feel Mr. Potter would be opposed to being in the hotel business.

Commissioner Dorsett asked Ms. Hair about the zoning immediately adjacent to the property indicating the residential properties adjoining are zoned B-3 and will likely remain a residential use. Ms. Hair responded she cannot give a clear answer to that but the B-3 zoning was probably because of the frontage along N. Franklin Street before the 460 By-Pass was developed. Ms. Hair added properties maintain their zoning unless a rezoning is requested, like for Spradlin Farm shopping center.

Commissioner Dorsett asked if the Commission rezones the property and the owner does a by right use the Commission will not be able to ask for proffers. Ms. Hair responded correct. Commissioner Dorsett said she would like to see a buffer for the neighborhoods. Ms. Hair stated a proffer would need to be given before the Town Council public hearing.

Commissioner Collins asked if the Comprehensive Plan shows what the property will be changed to. Ms. Casper replied the property is proposed to be residential since it buffers residential but the piece right next to the property is also commercial so it's kind of a mixed use.

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Commissioner Powers asked Mr. Neel about access since whatever use might go into B-3 will obviously generate additional traffic. Commissioner Powers added when he looks at the access for this parcel he sees Ridinger Street on one side of the railroad tracks and Ridinger Extension on the other side of the property. Commissioner Powers would like to know if they are both private roads and what the right-of-way widths are. Mr. Neel replied that Ridinger Extension is not a public road and is in the mobile home park. Mr. Neel added Ridinger Street is a public street, however he feels like the access would be off of Farmview Road. Mr. Neel stated what could happen is a possibility that 3 lots could stay with the current building and the other parcels could be developed into some B-3 use. Mr. Neel stated an issue with the parcels is the railroad crossing is only for the Moose Lodge use. Mr. Neel indicated this is a private crossing so any change in use or traffic, the property owner would have to get Norfolk Southern permission to use the crossing. Mr. Neel feels the main access would be off of Farmview Street. Commissioner Powers stated currently the property is divided into 8 parcels with only has access to Farmview Street.

Mr. Neel stated from an investment perspective the owner would probably vacate the lot lines and subdivide the property but doing that investment today when the property is zoned I-2 and not B-3, is probably not the best idea. Mr. Neel added the developer would like to make sure the rezoning is approved before vacating and re-subdividing the property. Commissioner Powers asked if staff could look into how the 8 parcels were divided and what the access was when they were divided because usually parcels are not created that do not have public access. Ms. Hair responded those were the original subdivision platted lots and she contacted Montgomery County to ask how the property was listed in the tax parcels. Commissioner Powers asked Ms. Hair what the property's access was when the parcels were platted. Ms. Hair said the access looked to be Farmview Street and Ridinger Extension was used on the other side for the mobile home park. Commissioner Powers stated that Ridinger Extension is not a public right-of-way even though it was platted as a subdivision. Ms. Hair replied no. Chairperson Moore asked if the Town would have any control over the access to that road if the developer came to an agreement with the adjacent property owner to come out on that street. Ms. Hair replied we would not. Chairperson Moore replied the only way would be is if they proffer something that restricted to the use of Farmview Street or continue the access at Ridinger Street. Mr. Glen Cochran stated there is a fence along the boundary of the property and the road belonged to Carl McNeil. Mr. Cochran stated he had mentioned to Mr. McNeil about using Ridinger Extension and Carl said he would not let anyone use his road. Ms. Hair replied the road is very narrow. Chairperson Moore agreed and stated that would be one of the concerns of potential access. Commissioner Powers stated the potential would be to dedicate additional right of way on the parcel adjoining Ridinger Road so you could provide

some through access at some point in the future.

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Commissioner Dorsett commented the Farmhouse Restaurant probably would not want to see Ridinger Street extended since it goes right through their parking lot. Commissioner Powers inquired if Ridinger Street is a public street. Mr. Neel replied yes. Commissioner Powers stated the Farmhouse does not have any say in it being a public street because they happened to put their business on one side of the street and their parking lot on the other side. Commissioner Powers noted Ridinger Street provides access to the propane dealership.

Mr. Neel stated the goal here is that this property is zoned I-2 and there are a host of uses that are permitted by right. He said the question being brought before the Planning Commission is whether to rezone this property for business use and not industrial. Mr. Neel stated he knew the Commission has plenty of things to look and to consider but the question today is the rezoning. Mr. Neel stated the other issues can be addressed during the site development stage.

Commissioner Dorsett stated considering the fairly significant slope off the front end, the better developing part of the parcel is going to be back where the soccer field is toward the Moose building. Mr. Neel replied yes.

Commissioner Huppert asked if the Commission approved the rezoning would the owner have to come back to the Commission again when they have established what the property will be or is this it. Mr. Neel stated the developer would not come back if it was a use already permitted in the B-3 district.

Commission Franusich asked if the Huckleberry is going to be coming in to the left of Rowe Furniture. Mr. Neel replied yes. Mr. Neel added the Huckleberry Trail has a railroad crossing. Mr. Neel stated this phase of the Huckleberry Trail is getting ready to be bid in a couple of weeks. Mr. Neel indicated he has met with Town staff and Norfolk Southern concerning the crossing to be constructed. Mr. Neel detailed the location of the Huckleberry Trail on the map. Commissioner Powers asked if Mr. Neel was able to work out with the railroad a pedestrian walkway crossing the tracks at that location. Mr. Neel replied yes, after 10 hard months.

Chairperson Moore asked for any more questions for the applicant on the rezoning request at this time. Commissioner Dorsett asked if the owner would you be willing to do a proffer on buffering. Mr. Neel stated he would have to check with Mr. Potter and said it was certainly worth considering. Mr. Neel stated he couldn't say whether Mr. Potter would be willing to do that or not but he will ask.

Chairperson Moore asked Ms. Hair what the future plans for this property is in the Town's future Comprehensive Plan and would the Town look to rezone this property moving forward with the Comprehensive Plan. Chairperson Moore clarified he would like to know what is proposed is the rewrite of the Comprehensive Plan and

not what is currently written.

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Ms. Casper explained the parcels are proposed as residential and commercial. Chairperson Moore asked if the Town moved forward with a Town wide rezoning then the property would possibly be residential in a portion and commercial in another portion. Ms. Casper replied yes but the map has not been finalized in any way. Chairperson Moore clarified the Comprehensive Plan has not been written or approved yet. Commissioner Franusich asked if current Future Land Use Map has the property designated as commercial. Chairperson Moore replied yes that is the way the property is designated today. Chairperson Moore stated he was just curious what the Town is looking at in the future rewrite.

Chairperson Moore asked if there were any other questions for the applicant. Mr. Neel thanked the Commission for their time. Chairperson Moore asked if anyone else would like to speak on this issue. Chairperson Moore asked if anyone would like to address the Planning Commission about the public hearing. Hearing no further comments, Chairperson Moore moved to close the public hearing. Chairperson Moore asked how the Commission would like to handle the rezoning issue or wait until next meeting. Ms. Hair responded she would like the Commission to wait until the next meeting to discuss, giving the applicant time to provide any proffers they see fit. Chairperson Moore stated the public hearing was over concerning the rezoning request and it would not be discussed any further tonight. Chairperson Moore invited any public wishing to leave at this time may but they are also welcomed to stay.

Commissioner Huppert asked if the Moose Lodge is closed. Mr. Dowdy replied no and their hope was to stay open and maybe move to another location.

Work Session – Comprehensive Plan

Chairperson Moore opened the discussion.

Commissioner Dorsett moved that the Planning Commission go into work session. Commissioner Sowers seconded the motion which passed 9-0.

The work session on the Infrastructure Services chapter of the Comprehensive Plan was held.

Commissioner Carter moved that the Planning Commission close the work session. Commissioner Dorsett seconded the motion which passed 9-0.

Other Business

Ms. Hair indicated staff has no other business. Commissioner Powers asked if the Commission is going to vote on the ordinance or were they coming back to vote. Ms. Hair replied that she would like to come back to it at the next meeting with a draft ordinance without the B-2 requirement and with the wording of the other two business districts about sidewalk being installed. Commissioner Powers ask Ms. Hair about the two options she had. Ms. Hair responded the first option is the original presented to the Commission and did not have the wording requiring sidewalks when there are sidewalks on adjacent properties and the second option includes that wording but needed to remove the B-2 requirements. Ms. Hair said she will edit the B-2 portion and bring the new draft to the next Planning Commission meeting for vote.

Commissioner Dorsett asked Ms. Hair if the Town could look into adding sidewalks on Depot Street because the existing sidewalks are so narrow on the south side. Commissioner Dorsett stated customers are making complaints walking from the Aquatic Center about how narrow sidewalks are and the lack of sidewalks. Ms. Hair replied she would get with staff and see if it is part of any sidewalk projects. Ms. Hair added there may be a grant to fund a sidewalk project. Commissioner Franusich added there is not a sidewalk from the Aquatic Center to N. Franklin Street. Ms. Hair stated that a bike lane was installed specifically that way. She said there was an option to choose a recreational option and the bike lane was chosen. Commissioner Franusich asked if the time to bring up questions or random items would be during the other business session. Ms. Hair replied yes. Chairperson Moore advised the Commission to email Ms. Hair and copy Mr. Moore with items for the agenda. Chairperson Moore suggested having requests to Ms. Hair a week before the meeting. Commissioner Carter advised the agenda can be amended the night of. Commissioner Dorsett asked for an update on the proposed Downtown Historic District. Ms. Hair replied she had not received information on the adoption of the district and she would email Mike Pulice for a response.

Commissioner Powers asked for more information on Ridinger Extension, including the width. Mr. Powers also advised the Commissioners the Development Subcommittee meeting scheduled for Wednesday does not have anything urgent to discuss so the meeting will be canceled. Commissioner Powers asked Ms. Hair to send out a notice to cancel the meeting. Commissioner Carter agreed in cancelling the meeting.

Commissioner Franusich asked if the Commission's authority is over the Town Code as well, meaning advising about the Town Code. Chairperson Moore replied only if it is related to land use. Commissioner Franusich asked about the issue at Town Council concerning bow hunting. Ms. Hair responded that Ordinance had been developed by staff, Town Council and Town Attorney. Ms. Hair added the Planning Department enforces the bow hunting ordinance so that is why Ms. Hair was involved. Chairperson Moore commented the Town Council will redirect issues to the Planning Commission for consideration before making a decision.

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Other Business (continued)

Chairperson Moore stated the Commission normally deals with CUPs, rezoning's, and other land use issues. He also stated Town Council can take the issue up with staff or redirect back to the Planning Commission and in many cases the issue has been redirected back to the Commission.

Commissioner Dorsett commented the Planning Commission assisted in drafting an ordinance regarding air guns because of a request for a paint ball course.

Commissioner Franusich asked how to bring up zoning issues and what is the official way to handle it. Ms. Hair replied items can be brought up during the other business portion of the meeting or forwarded to her or Chairperson Moore.

Commissioner Parsons would like a description on bow hunting in the Town. Ms. Hair indicated the Town participates in the state's Urban Archery program. Ms. Hair added the ordinance has been revised to decrease the minimum acreage for urban archery to 3 acres or more and allows property owners to hunt where they wish on their property. Commissioner Huppert commented the bow hunting is only allowed on 3 acres or more.

Chairperson Moore asked for any other business. Commissioner Carter asked since the Moose Lodge will be continuing to use building, then what will prohibit anyone from using the railroad entrance to the Moose Lodge to go through onto Farmview Street. Ms. Hair replied if the Moose Lodge is operating out of this site they can still use that connection and she is aware of private citizens that use it also. Commissioner Carter asked if the property is rezoned will the Ridinger Street access still be used. Mr. Neel stated if the property is developed, along the Farmview Street and the Moose Lodge continues in the existing building, there would be a separation of the uses and would not likely have a connection existing anymore. Mr. Neel added that is if the Moose Lodge stays on site. Mr. Neel Norfolk Southern could pull the access permit and eliminate the crossing from being used if problems developed. Ms. Hair commented if the front piece was developed and the Moose Lodge stayed at the current location, the Town would require those front parcels to be subdivided into one large parcel leaving the Moose Lodge onto its own parcel.

There being no more business Chairperson Moore adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Craig Moore, Chairperson

Nichole Hair, Secretary Non-Voting



OFFICE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
F. CRAIG MEADOWS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR



755 ROANOKE STREET, SUITE 2E, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA 24073-3181

March 27, 2013

Barry Helms
Christiansburg Town Manager
100 East Main Street
Christiansburg, VA 24073

Dear Barry:

At their meeting on March 25, 2013 the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution acknowledging the Town of Christiansburg's policy seeking reimbursement for emergency medical transport services provided by the Christiansburg Rescue Squad. A copy of the resolution is attached.

If you have any questions or concerns, please advise.

Sincerely,


F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator

FCM/jk

Attachment

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 25th DAY OF MARCH, 2013 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

R-FY-13-99

**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING
THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG'S POLICY SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT FOR
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SERVICES PROVIDED BY
THE CHRISTIANSBURG RESCUE SQUAD**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried,

WHEREAS, §32.1-111.14 and 38.2-3407.9 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, authorize localities and emergency medical services ("EMS") providers to make reasonable charges for the use of emergency medical vehicles, including charging insurers for ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Christiansburg owns, operates, and maintains such EMS vehicles at considerable cost to the Town and provides ambulance services through the Christiansburg Rescue Squad, which is an operating department of the Town; and

WHEREAS, The Town desires to bill customers and/or their insurers for the use of the EMS vehicles and ambulance services in order to defray the cost of providing same; and

WHEREAS, To the extent that the Virginia Code may require, the Town requests Montgomery County's acknowledgement that the Town intends to establish reasonable charges and bill customers and/or their insurers for ambulance services provided by the Christiansburg Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors recognizes that the decision to seek reimbursement for Emergency Medical Transport service provided by the Christiansburg Rescue Squad, an operating department of the Town, is a policy decision to be made by Christiansburg Town Council related to the operations of a Town department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the Town of Christiansburg policy to establish reasonable charges and billing customers and/or their insurers for ambulance services provided by the Christiansburg Rescue Squad.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE

Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
Matthew R. Gabriele

NAY

Christopher A. Tuck

ABSTAIN

James D. Politis

ATTEST:



F. Craig Meadows

F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator



CHRISTIANSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mark A. Sisson, Chief of Police

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Barry Helms, Town Manager**
Mark Sisson, Chief of Police
Dalton Reid, Assistant Chief of Police
Becky Wilburn, Public Information Officer

From: **Chris Ramsey, Captain of Operations**

Date: **March 26, 2013**

Re: **TriAdventure Spring Triathlon**

Preliminary event planning conducted to date indicates that triathlon scheduled for April 7th, 2013 at the aquatic center will require the following road and intersection closures with accompanying signage:

Road Closed

- Depot Street @ Roanoke
- Depot Street @ Lester Street
- Depot Street @ South Grant Street
- Depot Street @ East Main Street
- Depot Street @ Hall Street
- Depot Street @ Holmes Street
- Depot Street @ Shaffer Street
- Depot Street (both ends of Wing) @ Wing
- Depot Street @ Sunnyside Street
- Depot Street @ North Street
- Depot Street @ Harless Street
- Depot Street @ School Lane
- Depot Street @ Stone Street
- Depot Street @ Rear Kroger Entrance
- Depot Street @ Water Street
- Depot Street @ Colhoun Street
- Depot Street @ Stuart Street
- Depot Street @ Pepper Street
- Depot Street @ North Franklin
- Depot Street @ College Street(east)
- Depot Street @ Sheltman Street
- Depot Street @ Sullivan Street
- Depot Street @ Radford Street
- Depot @ College Street (west)
- Depot Street @ West Main Street
- College Street @ Buffalo Drive
- Moose Drive @ West Main Street
- Mill Lane @ North Franklin

Detour/ No Thru Traffic

- Franklin Street @ Main Street
- Franklin Street @ Wade's Lane
- Water Street @ Franklin Street
- Radford Street @ Main Street
- Radford Street @ Clearview Drive

Please note, this year's event is being held later in the day than in previous years due to the earlier date. The event this year is scheduled to begin at 0900 hours. This is likely to result in a greater volume of traffic being disrupted.

Memo To: Town Manager, Town Council, and Recreation Commission

From: Brad Epperley, Director of Parks and Recreation

Subject: Monthly Report- March 2013

Date: March 31, 2013

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

	Program	Starting Date	Days	Weeks	Participants
Pre-School					
	Toddler Time	Jan. 28	Mon.	6 weeks	10 children/parent
	Pre-School Play Group	Mar. 12	Tues.	6 weeks	6 children
	Pre-School Play Group	Mar. 13	Wed.	6 weeks	6 children
	Fun For Tots	Feb. 21	Thur.	4 weeks	6 children
	Book It	Jan. 29	Tues.	6 weeks	6 children
	Bouncing Bunnies	Mar.	Wed.	4 weeks	1 child
	Galloping Gators	Mar.	Thur./Fri.	4 weeks	2 children
Youth					
	Martial Arts For Kids	Apr-3	Wed.	4 weeks	TBA
	Leaping Lizards	Mar.	Tues.	4 weeks	1 child
	Tumbling and Trampoline	Mar.	Mon.	4 weeks	1 child
	Ballet/Tap	Mar. 25	Mon.	6 weeks	cancelled
	Ballet	Mar. 25	Mon.	6 weeks	7 children
	Child Finger Printing	Mar. 13	Wed.	1 day	5 children
Adult					
	Morning Aerobics	Mar. 18	Mon,Wed,Fri	6 weeks	11 adults
	Toning and Cond.	Mar. 11	Mon., Wed.	6 weeks	12 adults
	Moving Through Midlife	Mar. 5	Tues., Thur.	6 weeks	12 adults
	30 Min. Arms/ Abs	Mar. 11	Mon. Wed.	6 weeks	24 adults
	Weight Room Inst.	Mar.	Mon., Wed.	1 day	2 adults
	Cardio/Weight	Mar. 14	Tues., Thur.	6 weeks	14 adults
	Body Sculpting	Mar. 18	Mon., Wed.	6 weeks	13 adults
	Jazzercise	Mar. 18	Mon., Wed.,	6 weeks	31 adults
	Jazzercise Core Balance and Strength	Mar. 12	Tues., Thur.	6 weeks	27 adults
	Mar. 5	Tues/Thur.	6 weeks	22 adults	
	P 90 Early Bird	Mar. 12	Tues, Thur.	6 weeks	27 adults
	Zumba	Mar. 5	Tues., Thur.	6 weeks	21 adults
	Zumba Toning	Mar. 5	Tues./Thur.	6 weeks	19 adults
	Early Morning Yoga	Mar. 27	Mon., Wed.	6 weeks	TBA
	Stroller Fitness	Jan. 29	Tues.	6 weeks	4 adults/child
	Total Cardio	Mar. 11	Wed.	6 weeks	10 adults

Evening Yoga	Mar. 26	Tues.	6 weeks	TBA
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Special Interest

Novice Dog Obedience	Mar. 20	Wed.	6 weeks	10 dogs/owners
Novice Dog Obedience	Mar. 20	Wed.	6 weeks	5 dogs/owners
Pet Food Drive	Mar.	Mon.-Fri.	Month	15 items
intermediate Obedience	Mar. 21	Thur.	6 weeks	12 dogs/owners
Puppy Obedience	Mar. 21	Thur.	6 weeks	7 dogs/owners
Winter Food Drive	Mar.	Mon.-Fri.	1 month	40 items
Natural Bridge Seafood	Mar. 1	Fri.	1 day	15 participants
Home buyer Seminar	Mar. 5	Tues.	1 day 12 months	4 participants
Walking Challenge	Jan-Dec	Mon-Fri.		24 participants
Polar Bear Hike	Mar. 7	Thur.	1 day	weather cancelled
Homeplace Restaurant	Mar. 15	Fri.	1 day	16 participants
Body Fat Testing	Mar. 11	Mon.	1 day	2 participant
Lunch Bunch- Great 611	Mar. 19	Tues.	1 day	6 participants
Whole Wheat Pizzas	Mar. 20	Wed.	1 day	cancelled
Home Selling Seminar	Mar. 26	Tues.	1 day	TBA
Beg. Photography	Feb. 21	Thur.	4 weeks	16 participants

Senior Programs

Progress Report: March 2013				
	Participants	Sessions	Starting Date	Days
Programs				
AOA Nutrition Site	60	10	ongoing	Tue-Thur
Basket Weavers	8	1	ongoing	Monday
Bible Study	48	4	ongoing	Thursday
Billiards	216	27	ongoing	Sun-Sat.
Blood Drive	28	1	Mar-13	Monday
Card Night-Monday	18	1	ongoing	Monday
Gospel Sing-Tuesday	10	1	ongoing	Tues.
Gospel Sing- Thursday	42	4	ongoing	Thurs.
Pickleball	80	10	ongoing	T/W/Thur.
Senior Aerobics	210	10	ongoing	MWF
Senior Motions	80	10	ongoing	MWF
Senior Basketball Night	100	7	ongoing	Mon/Wed
Blood Pressure Screening	32	3	Mar. 6,13,20	Wednesday
Coffee Hour	10	1	Mar-13	Tuesday
One on one computer	1	6	Feb. 4	M-F 6 wks
AARP Tax Aide	391	14	Feb-April	M/T/TH/Sat
Polar Bear Hike	cancelled	0	Mar. 7	Thursday
Senior Lockbox seminar	11	1	Mar. 12	Tuesday
Zumba Gold	22	7	Mar. 13	MWF
Lunch and a movie	cancelled	0	Mar. 15	Friday
Lunch Bunch: The Great 611 Steak House	6	1	Mar. 19	Tuesday

Healthy Whole Wheat Pizzas	cancelled	0	Mar. 20	Wednesday
Meadowbrook Museum	18	1	Mar. 21	Thursday
Lunch and Learn Bingo: Sweet Dreams	22	1	Mar-13	Wednesday
Preparing to sell your house	nxt mth	1	Mar. 26	Tuesday
Trips				
Natural Bridge Seafood Buffet	15	1	Mar. 1	Friday
Homeplace	15	1	Mar-13	Friday
Wohlfhart Haus: Southern Nights	17	1	Mar. 14	Thursday
Clubs				
Triad S.A.L.T	11	1	Mar. 19	Tuesday
Special Populations				
Senior Special Events				
St. Patrick's Day Bingo	22	1	Mar. 18	Monday
Rummage Sale	100	1	Mar. 23	Saturday

The Christiansburg/Montgomery Triad S.A.L.T. Council held a rummage sale Saturday

March, 23 and made \$433.41 in our first fundraiser for 2013. Monies will go toward providing seminars, programs, shred-a-thons to senior citizens to help prevent identity theft, education on frauds and scams that focus on seniors. We will be sponsoring a Shred-a-thon Saturday May 4, 9am-12noon at the recreation center, shred-a-thons are open to the general public.

Rec. Center & Special Events

Recreation Center Deposits	6,954.75
Special Events Deposits	0.00
Skate Park Deposits	1,144.29
Armory Deposits	0.00
Recreation Center check and refund requests	0.00
Special Event check and refund requests	0.00
Rental Contract	5,160.00
Payroll	0.00
Recreation Center receipts-materials and supplies	1,025.50
Special events receipts-materials and supplies	0.00
Total Active Memberships	5,976
Weight Club	106
Attendance (Excludes Program and Sport Event Attendance)	13,619

<u>EVENT/CAMP</u>	2013 Home Expo
Date	March 8, 9, 10
Time	3/9(4-8pm) 3/10(9am-7pm) 3/11(12pm-5pm)
Location	Recreation Center
Participants	Hundreds
Guests	Thousands
Contributors	NRVHBA
Food	They handled the food
Entertainment	N/A
Cost (+/-)	Rental Fee \$3500

Progress Report Adult Athletics March 2013

Adult Athletics

Slowbreak Basketball has come to an end for this season. L&G Farms were the winners.

Fastbreak and Church League are currently in their tournaments. Both leagues have about a week left until they finish up.

Church League Volleyball begins on March 26. This year we have 16 teams involved in our league. We will be playing every Tuesday until the middle of June.

Open League Volleyball begins in the beginning of April. We have to wait for Radford's' League to finish up, so those teams can play here. They make up about 75% of our league.

Registrations are currently being taken for the following:

Open League Softball
Church League Softball

Special Events

We had a free Baseball Camp that was sponsored by Radford University Baseball. We had 32 participants show up. 53 participants registered for this camp. The weather was very chilly out, so I feel like it was a pretty good turnout overall. Parents seemed to be real appreciative of their kids having opportunities of this sort.

Baseball Camp w/ CHS Baseball

Thursday March 28 6pm CHS Baseball Field

Pitch, Hit, and Run

Friday April 5 6pm Kiwanis Big Field

Cornhole Tournament

Saturday April 6 10am Recreation Center

****Several other camps are coming in June, July, and August****

Youth Athletics Progress Report-March 2013

Baseball and Softball sign ups have come to an end.

	Last year	2013
T-ball	4 teams	6 teams
Boy's coach pitch	7 teams	6 teams
Girl's coach pitch	2 teams	2 teams
Boy's 9-10	4 teams	6 teams
Girl's 9-10	2 teams	2 teams
Boys 11-12	2 teams	3 teams
Girl's 11-12	2 teams	1 team

We have been working on two more new girl activities such as youth volleyball and a skills camp for competition cheer.

We are in the process of getting all coaches for the baseball and softball teams certified through our NYSCA Certification Program and Background Check completed. This will be completed prior to team practices beginning.

Each child that has signed up for spring sports have been provided with a Youth Sports Handbook.

We are currently administering placement practices for each of the age levels. Formal drafts of all age levels will be completed after the placement practices.

Next month we will be ending sign-ups for boys and girls baseball and softball ages 13 and up on April 5th. After April 5th we take late registration for two weeks, the first week will have a 5 dollar late fee and the second week will have a 10 dollar late fee.

Progress Report for March 2013
Outdoor Sports Facilities and Parks

- *The maintenance staff has put new trash can holders and trash cans at Kiwanis Park and Falling Branch Elementary School ballfields. They installed new break away bases at Harkrader Sports Complex and Kiwanis Park.*
- *The "IGNITE" Crosspointe College on March 9th, had about 50 volunteers come to Kiwanis Park for a work day. They painted and trimmed the dugouts, back stops and building. They mulched around the entrance and scoreboards. Spread rocks around the new bleacher pads. They also raked up leaves and pine cones. They picked up trash around the picnic shelters and along the creek bank. The dugouts and back stops will need one more coat of concrete stain.*
- *Working with USSSA on planning for the USSSA AA World Series. There will be a 10u, 11u and 12u divisions.*
- *New Miracle Play Ground Equipment installed at Depot Park and Ellett Street (Circle Park).*
- *Tournaments dates for Harkrader Sports Complex (HSC) and Kiwanis Park (KP) and Falling Branch (FBSF, FBBF).*

2013 New River Valley Weekend Baseball/Softball Tournament Schedule

March 16-17	Nations Baseball/Softball – Spring Warm Up	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Randolph Park, Veteran's Park)
March 23-24	USSSA Baseball – March Madness (NIT) Nations Softball – Spring State Qualifier USSSA Adult Softball	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek) (Veteran's Park) (Randolph Park)
March 30-31	Nations Baseball – Spring State Qualifier Nations Softball – Easter Rally (1 Day event)	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Veteran's Park, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek)
April 6-7	USSSA Baseball – Rally in the Valley Nations Softball – Western Area Spring State	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Randolph Park) (Veteran's, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek, Falling Branch)
April 13-14	Nations Baseball/Softball – Spring National Qualifier	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, Plum Creek, Motor Mile Park)
April 20-21	USSSA Baseball – Spring Blast Nations Baseball - 7 th Annual Middle School Jamboree Nations Softball - 7 th Annual Middle School Jamboree	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Veteran's Park, Randolph Park #3, Dublin Middle School, Loving Fields, Plum Creek) (Veteran's Park, Randolph Park #3, Dublin Middle School, Loving Fields, Plum Creek)
April 27-28	Nations Baseball/Softball – Spring Nationals	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek)
May 4-5	USSSA Baseball – Chance Crawford (7u – 13u) Nations Softball – Tech Sports Plex Summer Slam	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park) (Veteran's Park)
May 11	USSSA Baseball – Mother's Day Invitational (1 Day)	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, Veteran's Park)
May 18-19	Nations Baseball/Softball – Western Area Summer State	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, Veteran's Park, Hodges)
May 25-26	USSSA Baseball – Western VA. State	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, Veteran's Park, Randolph Park)
June 1-2	USSSA Baseball – Big Dawg Classic USSSA Adult Softball	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park) (Randolph Park)
June 8-9	Nations Baseball – NRBi Thunder Feed America Benefit	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek)
June 15-16	USSSA Baseball – Commonwealth Games	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park)

	<i>Nations Softball – Radford Slugfest</i>	(Veteran's Park)
June 22-23	<i>USSSA Baseball – Christiansburg Cure for Cancer</i> <i>Nations Softball – Long Ball Classic</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Veteran's Park)
June 27-30	<i>USSSA Baseball – VA USSSA NIT (4 Day Event)</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch)
June 28-July 3	<i>Dixie Youth "AAA" District Baseball Tournament</i> <i>Dixie Youth "O Zone" District Baseball Tournament</i>	(Veteran's Park) (Veteran's Park)
July 6-7	<i>Nations Softball – Independence Day Blast Off</i> <i>Nations Baseball – Independence Day Blast Off</i>	(Veteran's Park, Randolph Park) (Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Plum Creek)
July 10-14	<i>USSSA Baseball – 11u & 12u AA World Series</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, Plum Creek, Motor Mile Park, Randolph Park)
July 20-21	<i>USSSA Baseball – USSSA Diamond Clash</i> <i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>Nations Softball – Lady's in Pink</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Veteran's Park) (Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek)
July 27-28	<i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>Nations Softball – Lady's Only Boys Stay Home</i> <i>Nations Baseball – Home plate Invitational</i>	(Veteran's Park, Randolph Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex #1, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek) (Harkrader Sports Complex)
August 3-4	<i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>Nations Baseball/Softball NRV Fall Opener</i>	(Veteran's Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek Field, New River Sports Complex)
August 10-11	<i>USSSA Baseball – Back to School Bash</i> <i>Nations Softball – Girls Love Diamonds</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex) (Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek)
August 17-18	<i>USSSA Fisher Financial Service Inc. Invitational</i> <i>Nations Softball – Lady Cougar Classic</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek) (Randolph Park, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex)
August 24-25	<i>Adult Softball – Christiansburg Police Department</i> <i>Fallen Officer Softball Tournament</i> <i>Nations Baseball/Softball – Fall State Qualifier</i> <i>USSSA Adult Softball</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park) (Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek, Falling Branch, Hodge) (Randolph Park)
Aug 31- Sept. 1	<i>Nations Baseball/Softball – Labor Day Invitational</i>	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex)
September 7-8	<i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>Nations Softball – Fall National Qualifier</i> <i>USSSA Baseball – Star City Challenge</i>	(Veteran's Park) (New River Sports Complex, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek, Loving Fields) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Randolph Park)
September 14-15	<i>Nations Softball – Relay for Life Benefit</i> <i>USSSA Baseball – Get Up and Hit Classic</i>	(Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek) (Veteran's Park, Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, New River Sports Complex)
September 21-22	<i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>USSSA Baseball – Fall Cool Down</i>	(Randolph Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Falling Branch, Kiwanis Park, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex)
September 28-29	<i>Nations Softball – Lady's Fall State</i> <i>Nations Baseball – Fall State</i>	(Randolph Park, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Motor Mile Park, Plum Creek) (Harkrader Sports Complex)
October 5-6	<i>USSSA Adult Softball</i> <i>USSSA Baseball – Western Virginia Fall State</i>	(Veteran's Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Motor Mile Park)

October 12-13	USSSA Baseball – Fall Bash (Sunday Only) Nations Softball – Fall Warm Up (Sunday Only) Nations Baseball – Fall Warm Up (Saturday Only)	(Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch, Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park)
October 19-20	Nations Softball – Girls Fall Nationals USSSA Baseball – Halloween Havoc	(Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Motor Mile, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Randolph Park, Loving Fields)
October 26-27	Nations Softball – 3 rd Annual Cole Mason Anderson Benefit USSSA Baseball – Fall Finale	(Veteran's Park, New River Sports Complex, Randolph Park, Motor Mile Park) (Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park, Falling Branch)

Schedule for March at Harkrader Sports Complex, Kiwanis Park and Falling Branch Elementary School ball fields:

Friday, March 1	HSC #1 KP #1	CHS Varsity Softball Scrimmage CMS Baseball Practice	5pm 5:30pm
Saturday, March 2	KP #1	CHS JV Baseball Jamboree	9am
Monday, March 4	KP #1 KP #2 FB#2	CMS Baseball Practice CHS Varsity Softball Practice CHS JV Softball Practice	5:30pm 4:30pm 4pm
Tuesday, March 5	KP #1 KP#2 FB#2	CMS Baseball Practice CHS Varsity Softball Practice CHS JV Softball Practice	5:30pm 4pm 4pm
Wednesday, March 6	KP#1 FB#2	CMS Baseball Practice CHS Varsity Softball vs Carroll Co. (Scrimmage)	5:30pm 5pm
Thursday, March 7	Batting Cage (RC) KP#1	CHS Varsity & JV Softball CMS Baseball Practice	4pm 5:30pm
Saturday, March 9	KP#1 KP#2 FB#1 FB#2 FB#2	IGNITE Work Day IGNITE Work Day Nations Baseball Tournament Travel Baseball Team Practice (9u) Travel Baseball Team Practice (8u)	9:30am 9:30am 10am 2pm 4pm
Sunday, March 10	FB#2	Travel Baseball Team Practice (11u) Travel Softball Team Practice (13u)	1pm 4pm
Monday, March 11	HSC#1 KP#1 FB#1 FB#2	CHS Varsity Softball vs Giles CMS Baseball Practice Day Spring Softball Practice CMS Softball Practice	4:30pm 5:30pm 4pm 4pm

Tuesday, March 12	Batting Cage (RC) KP#1	CHS Varsity & JV Softball CMS Baseball Practice	4pm 5:30pm
Wednesday, March 13	Batting Cage (RC)	CHS Varsity & JV Softball	4pm
Thursday, March 14	HSC#1, HSC#2, HSC#3 KP#1 FB#1 FB#2	RU Baseball Clinic CMS Baseball Practice Day Spring Softball Practice CHS JV Softball vs Glenvar	5pm 5:30pm 4pm 5pm
Friday, March 15	HSC#1 FB#1 FB#2	CMS Softball Practice Travel Baseball Team Practice (9u) Travel Baseball Team Practice (8u)	3pm 5:30pm 6pm
Saturday, March 16	KP#1 KP#2 FB#1 FB#2	Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament	9am 11am 10am 9am
Sunday, March 17	KP#2 FB#1 FB#2	Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament Travel Softball Team Practice (12u)	11am 10am 2pm
Monday, March 18	Batting Cage (RC) Batting Cage (RC) KP#2	CHS Varsity & JV Softball CMS Baseball Placement Practice – Tee Ball Placement Practice – Boys AAA	4pm 6:30pm 5:30pm 6:30pm
Tuesday, March 19	Batting Cage (RC) Batting Cage (RC) KP#2	CHS Varsity & JV Softball CMS Baseball Placement Practice – Boys Coach Pitch Placement Practice – Boys O Zone	4pm 6:30pm 5:30pm 6:30pm
Wednesday, March 20	HSC#1 KP#1 KP#2 FB#2	CMS Softball Practice CMS Baseball Practice Travel Softball Team Practice (12u) CHS JV Softball vs Giles	3pm 5:30pm 5:30pm 4:30pm
Thursday, March 21	Batting Cage (RC) KP#2	CHS Varsity & JV Softball Placement Practice – Girls Coach Pitch Placement Practice – Girls Angels Placement Practice – Girls Ponytails	4pm 5:30pm 6:30pm 7:30pm
Friday, March 22	HSC#1 KP#1	CHS JV Softball vs Bassett Travel Baseball Team Practice (11u)	5pm 5:30pm

	KP#2	Travel Baseball Team Practice (9u)	5:30pm
Saturday, March 23	HSC#1 HSC#2 HSC#3 KP#1	USSSA Baseball Tournament USSSA Baseball Tournament USSSA Baseball Tournament CMS Baseball vs Tazewell (DH)	9am 9am 9am 1pm
Sunday, March 24	HSC#1 HSC#2 HSC#3	USSSA Baseball Tournament USSSA Baseball Tournament USSSA Baseball Tournament	9am 9am 9am
Monday, March 25		Everything Canceled due to snow	
Tuesday, March 26	HSC#1 HSC#1 KP#1 KP#2 FB#1 FB#2	CMS Softball Practice CHS Varsity Softball Practice CMS Baseball vs Pulaski (DH) Placement Practice – Tee Ball Placement Practice – Boys AAA Day Spring Softball Practice CHS JV Softball Practice	4pm 5:30pm 6pm 5:30pm 6:30pm 4pm 4pm
Wednesday, March 27	HSC#1 KP#1 KP#2 FB#2	CHS Softball vs Floyd CMS Baseball Practice Placement Practice – Boys Coach Pitch Placement Practice – Boys O Zone CMS Softball Practice	5pm 5:30pm 5:30pm 6:30pm 3pm
Thursday, March 28	KP#2 FB#1	Placement Practice – Girls Coach Pitch Placement Practice – Girls Angels Placement Practice – Girls Ponytails Day Spring Softball Practice	5:30pm 6:30pm 7:30pm 4pm
Saturday, March 30	HSC#1 HSC#2 HSC#3	Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament Nations Baseball Tournament	9am 9am 9am
Sunday, March 31		No Games - EASTER	

MINUTES FROM THE CHRISTIANSBURG PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING OF MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013.

Diane Fenton called meeting to order and took roll call.

Minutes from the last Recreation Commission meeting approved.

No citizen comments.

Diane Fenton turned the meeting over to Brad Epperley who went over the February monthly report.

The Community Recreation classes are doing very well. A few highlights being the 30 Minute Abs and Arms had 27 participants, Jazzercise with 30 participants, and P90 Rec Early Bird with 32 participants. Also the Beginning Photography class has done very well with 16 participants.

The AARP tax aide program is going very well. At the end of February they have helped 325 people with their taxes. This is a great program that we work in conjunction with AARP and their volunteers. Some other programs that had really good numbers were the Common Mistakes Planning Estates with 35 participants and Heart Health program had 28 participants. The special populations Sweetheart Dance had 315 members participate in this great program.

The total active memberships at the end of February were 5,800; this means they are actively using our facility. The attendance for the month were 7,023, but this excludes any program attendance and is strictly people using the Recreation Center cardio room, weight room, track, and basketball courts.

Adult Athletics has wiffleball coming to an end with a tournament getting ready to start. This was a new program this year and has done very well. Adult basketball leagues regular season is coming to an end and their tournaments are getting ready to start also. Volleyball sign-ups are going on right now and that season will get started at the end of March or beginning on April. We have two free baseball clinics getting ready to come up, one in conjunction with Radford University's baseball team and the other with Christiansburg High School baseball's team.

In youth athletics basketball season is almost over. From ages 14 and under we had 32 total teams and we cross played with Radford and Blacksburg. Cross playing with these teams went really well. We still need to work on centralized rule system between everyone. Baseball/softball/ and football are all played with the same areas and they have a central rule system between each other. Baseball/softball sign-ups ended March 1 with two weeks of late registration (with a late fee) going on right now. On March 14 we will be having the Coaches Certification for baseball/baseball. The placement practices will be the week of March 18 and the drafts will be the week of March 25.

Outdoor sports facilities and parks are getting the fields prepared for the upcoming seasons. The Harkrader Sports Complex, College Street Park, and the Huckleberry Trail have the new trashcan holders and trashcans installed. These will ultimately be constant through all the Christiansburg Parks. On March 18 the new playground equipment will be installed at Circle Park and adding additional equipment at Depot Park. Wayne Nelson is also still working with Kroger to finalize the right of way to complete the lap around Depot Park. There is also a stream restoration project that we are working in conjunction with Wayne Nelson with in the Diamond Hill area. The stream connects to Crab Creek and there is a conservancy there of about 20 acres. DEQ will be coming in and rerouting the stream and tie it back into Crab Creek. We will be given a 20 foot right of way through there that we plan on putting a 6 foot grass path though the conservancy. This will be a nature park and in the future we would like to put in a Nature Center on one end that is not

in the conservancy that the public could use to learn more about the area. The USSA World Series will be here this summer with three different age groups. This World Series will bring a lot of people into the area.

Mike Barber told the Recreation Commission about the plans the Town has for buying 61 acres off of Route 114 behind Merchant Tire for a future park. Brad went into detail about the vision for the property. There could be multiple softball fields, rectangular fields for football and soccer. The vision for these fields would be to consider them a locked facility with restrooms and concessions. Brad also mentioned using a number of acres for a large open park with playgrounds and picnic shelters. This property also will connect to the Huckleberry Trail. The goal is for this recreation facility to reach the majority of all recreational needs for the Town of Christiansburg and its residents. This is a wonderful location near stores, hotels, and many restaurants. The Parks and Recreation Department will be starting on a new Master Plan in July and this property will be part of that. The goal is for the Master Plan to provide guidance and support for this particular property along with developing a vision for the entire department. A Master Plan shows us where we are going and what we need to achieve. Brad thanked Mike Barber and the Town Council for all their support in purchasing this property and the support they provide the Recreation Department.

A Youth Sports Coach brought to Brad's attention to maybe look at the possibility of the Recreation Department waiving the fee for youth sports if the parent of the child is the head coach of the team. The thought is that the coaches donate many hours to coach the children and this would be a way to repay them for donating their time. Blacksburg does this for head coaches only, and only for the one child the parent is coaching the team for. Mike Saylor brought up that some people that don't have children donate their time to coach a team, and what would we be able to offer them? After a round table discussion of many thoughts and ideas everyone agreed that right now may not be the best time to offer this but the Recreation Commission is very thankful to the many volunteers that donate their time to coach the children of Christiansburg.

The next meeting will be held Monday, April 1, 2013.

Members Present: Diane Fenton
Doris Oliver
Mike Barber
Tonia Winn
Logan Adkins
Mike Saylor
Jim Williamson
Charlton McCoy, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation
Brad Epperley, Director of Parks and Recreation

Christiansburg Parks & Recreation

Hosts

1st Annual: Cornhole Tournament

**Saturday, April 6th at 10AM
Christiansburg Recreation Center**

- \$10 Entry for Bring Your Own Partner Doubles and Blind Draw Doubles
- Registration: Feb 18 - April 6 9:30am
- Double Elimination Tournament
- Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishers.

Rules will be available upon registration. Must have 10 in each division to make the tournament proceed.

