Mayor Jacob P. Bailey called a regular monthly meeting of the Amherst Town Council to order on May 9, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall at 186 S. Main Street. Council members Kenneth Bumgarner, J. Paul Kilgore, Mike Mozingo and Richard Wydner were present. Councilor Haney Mottley was absent. Town Manager Jack Hobbs, Police Chief Kelvin Brown, Office Manager Colan Davis, Director of Public Utilities Tom Fore and Town Attorney Tom Berry were present.

The Father Kevin Spaeth, Church of the Epiphany gave an invocation.

At 7:03 P.M. a public hearing on a FY13 budget proposal was opened. There being no comments, the hearing was closed at 7:04 P.M. Mr. Bumgarner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Kilgore and approved 4-0 to adjust the proposal to eliminate proposed police clerical labor expenses. meeting. Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voted "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent. It was understood that the Town Council would have a final discussion and consider adopting the proposal during its June 13 meeting.

Marceline Lotman from 117 Woodland Drive came forward to ask the Town Council to consider maintaining the yard at 115 Woodland Drive. This issue was referred to the Community Relations Committee.

Mr. Wydner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Mozingo and approved 4-0 to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2012 meeting. Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voted "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent.

The Town Manager gave a report on the status of a series of projects.

The Town Manager advised that the advertisement for the Board of Zoning Appeals vacancy would run so that the Town Council could recommend a new member for appointment at the July meeting.

Mr. Kilgore made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Bumgarner that the Town Council convene in closed session for discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation per the exemption at §2.2-3711A.1 of the Code of Virginia. The motion passed 4-0 with Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voting "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent.

Mr. Bumgarner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Kilgore that the Town Council certify that to the best of each councilors' knowledge that (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Title 2.2, Chapter 37 and §15.2-2907 of the Code of Virginia and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the session. The motion passed 4-0 via the roll call method with Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voting "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent.

Mr. Kilgore made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Bumgarner that the Town Council convene in closed session for discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body per the exemption at §2.2-3711A.3 of the Code of Virginia. The motion passed 4-0 with Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voting "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent.

Mr. Bumgarner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Kilgore that the Town Council certify that to the best of each councilors' knowledge that (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Title 2.2, Chapter 37 and §15.2-2907 of the Code of Virginia and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the session. The motion passed 4-0 via the roll call method with Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, Mozingo, and Wydner voting "Aye"; Mr. Mottley was absent.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

Jacob P. Bailey Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council