

Town of Pennington Gap
Council Meeting
September 29, 2021

Record of attendance:

1:00 PM

Mayor:	Larry Holbrook
Council:	Jill Carson Gary McElyea – by phone Jeff Martin Terry Pope Jimmy Warner
Town Manager:	Keith Harless
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk:	Tina Rowe
Clerk	Karen Maggard-absent
Town Attorney:	Greg Edwards

1. Larry Holbrook called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM
2. **Agenda**-Terry Pope made a Motion to accept the agenda, Jeff Martin seconded the Motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

3. **New Business:** After Closed Session

Gary McElyea called in to the meeting and then left the meeting after some discussion regarding Electronic Council Meetings.

4. **Closed session**- Terry Pope made a Motion to go into executive session pursuant to:

§ 2.2-3711(A)(1): Personnel. Provides an exemption for:

Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize a closed meeting by a local governing body or an elected school board to discuss compensation matters that affect the membership of such body or board collectively.

Jeff Martin seconded the Motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

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5. At 1:50 PM, Terry Pope made a Motion to reconvene to regular session, Larry Holbrook seconded the Motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

Terry Pope made a Motion to attest that nothing was discussed during closed session other than the issues stated. Roll call vote as follows:

Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

- A. **Electronic Council Meetings**– Terry Pope made a motion to accept the Electronic Meetings Option 1 prepared by Attorney Greg Edwards. Jeff Martin seconded the Motion. Roll call vote as follows:

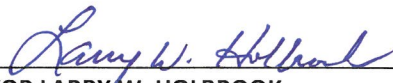
Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

- B. **COVID Safe Workplace**–Keith reported on the number of employees who had tested positive for COVID. Mayor Holbrook suggested gathering information at the VML Conference and reporting back at the Oct 18, 2021, council meeting.

6. At 1:55 PM, Terry Pope made a Motion to adjourn. Jill Carson seconded the Motion Roll call vote as follows:

Jill Carson	Aye
Gary McElyea	Absent
Jeff Martin	Aye
Terry Pope	Aye
Jimmy Warner	Aye
Larry Holbrook	Aye

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MAYOR LARRY W. HOLBROOK

ATTEST:


TINA ROWE, DEPUTY CLERK

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Pennington Gap, Virginia has convened closed session meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Council of the Town of Pennington Gap, Virginia that such closed session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Pennington Gap, Virginia hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia Law were discussed in closed session to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered by the Council of the Town of Pennington Gap, Virginia.

VOTE:

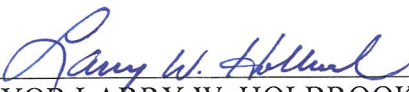
AYES: Mayor Larry W. Holbrook
Jill Carson
Terry K. Pope
Gary McElyea
Jeff Martin
Jimmy Warner

NAYS: (for each Nay vote the substance of the departure from the requirements of the Act should be described)

ABSENT DURING VOTE:

ABSENT DURING CLOSED SESSION:

MEETING DATE: September 29, 2021



MAYOR LARRY W. HOLBROOK