

A Regular Work Session of the Chesapeake City Council was held June 12, 2007, at 5:30 p.m., in the City Hall Building, 306 Cedar Road.

**Present:** Council Member Rebecca Adams  
Council Member Bryan Collins  
Mayor Dalton S. Edge  
Council Member Clifton E. Hayes, Jr.  
Vice Mayor Dwight M. Parker  
Council Member Ella Ward  
Council Member Patricia Pritchard Willis

**Absent:** Council Member John M. de Triquet (excused)  
Council Member Alan P. Krasnoff (excused)

**Present from Administration:** City Manager William Harrell, City Attorney Ronald Hallman, Deputy City Manager Anne Odell, Deputy City Manager Wanda Barnard-Bailey, City Clerk Dolores Moore, and other staff members.

**The Following Topic was discussed during the Work Session:**

- 1) Immediate Priorities

The Work Session adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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A Regular Meeting of the Chesapeake City Council was called to order by Mayor Dalton S. Edge on June 12, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Building, 306 Cedar Road.

INVOCATION: Reverend Scott Hill, Community Church of Chesapeake

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Bryan L. Collins

ROLL CALL BY CLERK OF COUNCIL

**Present:** Council Member Rebecca C. W. Adams  
Council Member Bryan L. Collins  
Council Member John M. de Triquet (excused at 9:15 p.m.)  
Mayor Dalton S. Edge  
Council Member Clifton E. Hayes, Jr. (excused at 6:45 p.m.-returned at 8:00 p.m.)  
Council Member Alan P. Krasnoff (arrived at 7:30 p.m.-excused at 9:15 p.m.)  
Vice Mayor Dwight M. Parker  
Council Member Ella P. Ward  
Council Member Patricia Pritchard Willis

**Absent:** None

**Present from administration:** City Manager William Harrell, City Attorney Ronald Hallman, Deputy City Manager Anne Odell, Deputy City Manager Amar Dwarkanath, Deputy City Manager Wanda Barnard-Bailey, City Clerk Dolores Moore and other staff members.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Edge advised that there were no minutes for consideration.

#### **ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE**

Circuit Court Clerk Faye Mitchell administered the Oath of Office to City Manager William E. Harrell. City Manager Harrell thanked the Council Members for the opportunity to serve the City of Chesapeake.

#### **PROCLAMATION – Little Miss Chesapeake 2007**

Mayor Edge called Ms. Blair Corbett, Little Miss Chesapeake 2007 to the podium to accept the proclamation read by City Clerk Moore. Ms. Corbett thanked the City Council Members for the recognition.

#### **PROCLAMATION – Miss Pre-Teen Chesapeake 2007**

Mayor Edge called Ms. Andolyn Medina, Miss Pre-Teen Chesapeake 2007 to the podium to accept the proclamation read by City Clerk Moore. Ms. Medina made brief comments expressing her appreciation for the opportunity to represent the City of Chesapeake.

#### **PROCLAMATION – Miss Teen Chesapeake 2007**

Mayor Edge called Ms. Meredith Brown, Miss Teen Chesapeake 2007 to the podium to accept the Miss Teen Chesapeake 2007 proclamation read by City Clerk Moore. Ms. Brown commented on the honor she felt representing the City of Chesapeake.

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Ms. Reagan Jackson**

Mayor Edge called Ms. Reagan Jackson to the podium to accept the Certificate of Recognition for Virginia Cinderella Tot 2007 read by City Clerk Moore. Ms. Jackson thanked the City Council Members for the distinction.

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Ms. Allison Exner**

Mayor Edge called Ms. Allison Exner to the podium to accept the Certificate of Recognition for Virginia Cinderella Miss 2007, read by City Clerk Moore. Ms. Exner thanked the City Council Members.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Deep Creek Girls' and Boys' Track Teams**

Vice Mayor Parker recognized Mr. David Waddell and Mr. Chris Brumm, Deep Creek Girls' and Boys' Track Coaches representing the teams in honor of winning the 2007 Virginia State High School Outdoor Track and Field Championships simultaneously. Coach Brumm made brief comments on the very special accomplishment by the students.

**PROCLAMATION – Automotive Professionals Week**

Mayor Edge invited Fleet Manager George Hrichak to the podium to receive the "Automotive Professionals Week" Proclamation on behalf of the City's automotive professionals. Mr. Hrichak recognized employees at the City Garage for their work.

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Ms. Maria Taylor, Campostella Square Civic League**

Mayor Edge invited President of the Campostella Square Civic League Maria Taylor to the podium to receive a plaque and \$50.00 for the Campostella Square Civic League for placing fifth in the Neighborhoods USA Conference held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, May 23-26, 2007. Campostella Square was nominated in the category for Physical Revitalization/Beautification. Accompanying Ms. Taylor were Redevelopment and Housing Authority Executive Director Brenda Willis, Neighborhood Services Director Patrick Hughes and Neighborhood Services Coordinator Theo McClammy.

**PRESENTATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL – Father's Day Gift**

Mayor Edge invited Human Services Advisory Board member Dr. Michael Elliott to the podium to present Council Members with a gift in honor of Father's Day. Dr. Elliott spoke about the Fathers in New Directions (FIND) program, a new program being implemented in the City by FIND Program Coordinator James Poole and the Department of Human Services.

**APPLICANTS, AGENTS, AND CITIZENS COMMENTS ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

City Clerk Moore identified the following speakers in opposition to Non-Planning Public Hearing Item (C.)

John Bilinski, 1308 Fernham Lane, representing self.

Thomas Arrington, 302 Stonewood Ct, representing Chesapeake Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax.

Jack King, 1326 Waters Road, representing Chesapeake Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax and Chesapeake Taxpayers Alliance.

Warner Athey, 2161 Vista Circle, Virginia Beach, representing self and Virginia Beach Taxpayer's Alliance.

Sandy Linkous, 5225 S. Lake Road, Virginia Beach, representing Virginia Beach Taxpayer's Alliance.

Council Member Krasnoff arrived at 7:30 p.m.

**Non-Planning Public Hearing Items**

A. **#07-R-039** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH CINGULAR COMMUNICATIONS TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT A TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER OWNED BY THE CITY LOCATED AT 3800 BUNCH WALNUTS ROAD

City Clerk Moore presented the item and advised that there were no speakers.

Council Member Collins, on a motion seconded by Council Member Willis, moved approval of the Resolution as presented.

Council Member Willis spoke on the importance of co-locating service providers on communications towers for aesthetic reasons.

There was no further discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Resolution as presented, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, deTriquet, Edge, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward, and Willis.

Voting no: None (Council Member Hayes excused)

B. **#07-R-040** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH SPRINT/NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT A TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER OWNED BY THE CITY LOCATED AT 3800 BUNCH WALNUTS ROAD.

City Clerk Moore presented the item and advised that there were no speakers.

Council Member Willis, on a motion seconded by Council Member Collins, moved approval of the Resolution as presented.

Council Member Willis noted that the City would be receiving a lease fee of \$25,300 yearly, with a 3% increase annually.

There was no further discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Resolution as presented, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, deTriquet, Edge, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward, and Willis.

Voting no: None (Council Member Hayes excused)

C. A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING THE HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

City Clerk Moore presented the item and identified the following speakers in support of Non-Planning Public Hearing Item (C):

Jessie Williams, 805 Walter Elm Court, representing self and Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce, Chesapeake Division.

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Michael Sarros, 149 Thrasher Road, representing self.

City Clerk Moore identified the following speakers in opposition to Non-Planning Public Hearing Item **(C)**:

William D. Tabor, Jr, 1041 Back Road, representing self.

Steve Carroll, 3112 Riveredge Drive, Portsmouth, representing self.

James King, 108 Herrington Lane, representing self.

Joseph Schippeck, 2905 Luxford Ct, representing self.

Mayor Edge recognized those citizens in support of Non-Planning Public Hearing Item **(C)**; approximately four stood. He then recognized those citizens in opposition to Non-Planning Public Hearing Item **(C)**; approximately fourteen stood.

There was no action taken on this item at this time, as it was for public input only.

Council Member Hayes arrived at 8:00 p.m.

#### **CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

City Clerk Moore identified the following speaker.

Gary Roper, 128 Causeway Dr, representing self, spoke in support of City Manager Item **(7)**.

City Clerk Moore identified the following speakers, who were available for questions.

Mr. Stan Slone, 1661 Lola Drive, Virginia Beach, in support of City Manager Item **(4)**.

Mr. Joseph Domozick, 4460 Corporation Lane, Virginia Beach, in support of City Attorney Item **(2)**.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

City Clerk Moore read the Consent Agenda items into the record.

Mayor Edge asked Council Members if there were any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under the Regular Agenda.

There were none.

Vice Mayor Parker, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved approval of the Consent Agenda as presented.

There was no discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

#### **City Clerk Items**

##### **1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REZONING APPLICATIONS**

The following zoning reclassification requests are not public hearing items at this time. They will be reviewed by the Planning Commission for recommendation to City Council at a later date. These items are tentatively scheduled for Planning Commission review on June 13, 2007.

a. **R-07-03** **PROJECT:** New Galilee Baptist Church **APPLICANT:** New Galilee Baptist Church **AGENCY:** B. Law and Associates, Inc. **PROPOSAL:** A conventional zoning reclassification of 3.541 acres from R-15s, Residential District to AC, Assembly Center District to allow a church. **PROPOSED COMP LAND USE & DENSITY:** Church **EXISTING COMP LAND USE & DENSITY:** Suburban Single-family with 1 unit per acre to something less than 4 units per acre. **LOCATION:** 513 and 525 Great Bridge Blvd. **TAX MAP SECTION/PARCEL:** 0360000001953, 0360000001930 **BOROUGH:** Washington

b. **R(C)-07-04** **PROJECT:** Maury Estates **APPLICANT:** Brickhouse Assoc., Inc. **AGENCY:** Engineering Services, Inc. **PROPOSAL:** A conditional zoning reclassification of 14.5 acres from R-15s Single Family Residential District to R-MF-1 Multi-family Residential District (6.6 acres) and O&I Office and Institutional District (7.9 acres) and 12 acres from R-MF-1 (9.9 acres) and O&I (2.1 acres) to R-MF-1 (6.1 acres) and O&I (5.9 acres). **PROPOSED COMP LAND USE & DENSITY:** Office, medium density multi-family residential with density not exceeding 16 units per acre mixed use with offices and residential up to 24 units per acre. **LOCATION:** The property is located at the end of Medical Parkway **TAX MAP SECTION/PARCEL:** 0360000001866, 0360000001862, 0360000001863, 0360000001851, a portion of 0360000001835 **BOROUGH:** Washington

c. **R(C)-07-15** **PROJECT:** Majestic Estates **APPLICANT:** AJG, LLC **AGENCY:** Site Improvement Associates, Inc. **PROPOSAL:** A conditional zoning reclassification of 54.71 acres from R-15s, Residential District and A-1 Agricultural District to RE-1, Residential Estate District to allow an 18 lot cluster subdivision. **PROPOSED COMP LAND USE / DENSITY:** Low density residential, 0.33 units per acre **EXISTING COMP LAND USE / DENSITY:** Rural 0.33 units per acre **LOCATION:** 1201 West Road **TAX MAP SECTION/PARCEL:** 0570000000710 **BOROUGH:** Pleasant Grove

d. **GB(M)-07-02** **PROJECT:** Park View Condominiums **APPLICANT:** Park View Condominiums at Greenbrier Development Group, LLC **AGENCY:** Engineering Services, Inc. **PROPOSAL:** A planned unit development modification to add a 0.965 acre parcel to the Greenbrier PUD, zone 6, parcel 5. **PROPOSED LAND USE AND DENSITY:** Passive recreation and buffering **EXISTING COMP. LAND USE AND DENSITY:** Regional Mixed Use **LOCATION:** 132 Greenbrier Road **TAX MAP SECTION/PARCEL** 0370000000870 **BOROUGH:** Washington

**2. RESIGNATIONS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

- (a) Mark E. Shea - Historic Preservation Commission
- (b) Carl H. Hanbury - Chesapeake Community Services Board
- (c) Rose T. Husted - Chesapeake Community Services Board
- (d) Christy Schonrock - Chesapeake Commission for the Prevention of Aids.
- (e) Jane McClanahan - South Norfolk Revitalization Commission
- (f) Marion Ray Hurst - Port Authority (deceased)

**3. REFUNDS**

- (a) Turf and Garden, Incorporated - \$22,411.16
- (b) Residential Advantage, Incorporated t/a Factory Direct Kitchen & Bath - \$5,428.17
- (c) Fincantieri Marine Systems NA, Inc. - \$4,171.13
- (d) Lakeside Investment Associates - \$10,916.91

**City Manager Items**

1. REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT A STATE SURVEY AND PLANNING COST SHARE GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR CORNLAND SCHOOL NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION (\$5,000 STATE/\$5,000 LOCAL) TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HISTORIC RESOURCES – DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

2. REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT A STATE SURVEY AND PLANNING COST SHARE GRANT APPLICATION FOR SOUTH NORFOLK DESIGN GUIDELINES UPDATE (\$15,000 STATE/\$15,000 LOCAL) TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HISTORIC RESOURCES–DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING.

3. **#07-O-085** REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION OF \$47,782, IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE STATE COMPENSATION BOARD FOR FY 2007-08 FOR THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT –CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

4. **#07-R-041** CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR YELLOW CABS OF CHESAPEAKE, INC., T/A YELLOW CABS OF CHESAPEAKE, PURSUANT TO CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE CHAPTER 82, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, ENTITLED “CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY”, SECTION 82-61 ENTITLED “REQUIRED; APPLICATION; EXAMINATION; DURATION” – POLICE DEPARTMENT

**City Attorney Item**

1. **#07-O-086** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "FINANCE AND TAXATION," ARTICLE VI, ENTITLED "PUBLIC LAW LIBRARY," DIVISION 1, AMENDING SECTION 30-167, IN RELATION TO DISBURSEMENT OF ASSESSMENTS, TO BRING SAID SECTION INTO COMPLIANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 42.1-70.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**City Manager Items**

5. **#07-O-087** REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION OF \$19,862 OF RACE SPONSORSHIPS AND REGISTRATION FEES RECEIVED FOR THE DISMAL SWAMP STOMP HALF MARATHON – DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ DIVISION OF CONVENTIONS AND TOURISM

City Manager Harrell presented the item and requested adoption as an Emergency Action.

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Council Member Ward, on a motion seconded by Council Member Willis, moved approval of the Appropriation as presented and as an Emergency Action.

There were brief comments by Council Member Willis and Mayor Edge on the success of the 2007 Dismal Swamp Stomp.

On the motion for approval of the Appropriation as presented and as an Emergency Action, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

6.(A) CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA, ADOPTED ON MAY 15, 2001, AS AMENDED, ARTICLE 8 THEREOF, TO AMEND THE ASSIGNMENTS TO SALARY GRADE OF CERTAIN GENERAL EMPLOYEE POSITIONS BASED ON THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES' 2007 BIENNIAL SALARY SURVEY – DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

City Manager Harrell presented the item and requested a continuance to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting.

Council Member Willis, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to continue the item to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting.

On the motion to continue the item to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

(B) CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA, ADOPTED ON MAY 15, 2001, AS AMENDED, ARTICLE 7 THEREOF, TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM SALARIES FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SALARY GRADES 20 AND 21 AND TO INCREASE THE MIDPOINT AND MAXIMUM SALARIES FOR ALL PUBLIC SAFETY SALARY GRADES TO PROVIDE THAT THE MAXIMUM SALARIES FOR ALL PUBLIC SAFETY GRADES ARE 50% GREATER THAN THE MINIMUM SALARIES – DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

City Manager Harrell presented the item and requested a continuance to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting.

Vice Mayor Parker, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to continue the item to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting.

On the motion to continue the item to the July 10, 2007 City Council Meeting, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

(C) CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA, ADOPTED ON MAY 15, 2001, AS AMENDED, TO DELETE THE CLASSIFICATION OF LEGAL ANALYST, SALARY GRADE 31, AND TO ADD THE CLASSIFICATION OF INTERNAL SERVICES MANAGER, SALARY GRADE 33 – DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

City Manager Harrell presented the item and requested a continuance to the August 14, 2007 City Council Meeting.

Council Member Collins, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Parker, moved to continue the item to the August 14, 2007 City Council Meeting.

On the motion to continue the item to the August 14, 2007 City Council Meeting, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

7. **#07-R-042** CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO WITHDRAW FROM CONSIDERATION THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2026 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ESTABLISHING AND GOVERNING THE GREAT BRIDGE VILLAGE DISTRICT (CP-07-01) – DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

City Manager Harrell presented the item.

Council Member Adams, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved approval of the Resolution to withdraw the proposed amendments to the 2026 Comprehensive Plan establishing and governing the Great Bridge Villiage District (CP-07-01) from consideration, as presented.

There was no discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Resolution as presented, voting yes: Council Members, Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

**City Attorney Items**

2. **#07-O-088** AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT RELIEF TO EMMETT MAURICE CLEMENTS BY PAYING TO HIM THE SURPLUS FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE CITY FROM THE CLERK OF THE CHESAPEAKE CIRCUIT COURT FROM A DELINQUENT TAX SALE OF REAL PROPERTY FORMERLY OWNED AS FOLLOWS: TAX PARCELS 1410000001890 AND 1520000003780 OWNED SOLELY BY EMMETT CLEMENTS, AND TAX PARCEL 1520000003820 OWNED TWO-THIRDS BY EMMETT CLEMENTS AND ONE-THIRD BY CORINNE CLEMENTS; THE PROPERTY BEING SITUATED IN THE SOUTH NORFOLK BOROUGH OF THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE

City Attorney Hallman presented the item.

Council Member Krasnoff, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved approval of the Ordinance as presented.

There was no discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Ordinance as presented, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

3. **#07-R-043** RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED REGIONAL CONSENT ORDER SANITARY SEWER PACKAGE WHICH WAS DEVELOPED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HAMPTON ROADS SANITATION DISTRICT AND ITS MEMBER JURISDICTIONS.

City Attorney Hallman presented the item.

Council Member Ward, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Parker, moved approval of the Resolution as presented.

Mayor Edge asked Public Utilities Director James Walski and outside legal counsel David Evans forward to provide an explanation of the item.

Mr. Walski and Mr. Evans commented on the purpose of the item.

Council Member Willis asked for clarification of the shared costs for each locality.

Mr. Walski and Mr. Evans addressed Mrs. Willis' request.

Council Member Ward requested an example that would highlight a time when all the member localities would be affected.

Mr. Walski responded that Hurricane Isabel or a similar natural event would be an example.

There was no further discussion.

On the motion for approval of the Resolution as presented, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker, Ward and Willis.

Voting no: None

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON THE SERVICES, POLICIES, AND AFFAIRS OF THE CITY (NON AGENDA SPEAKERS)**

City Clerk Moore identified the following speakers:

Davaonne Guilford, 1801 Bufflehead Drive, representing self and his children, spoke on the future of education for grade school children.

Diane Chandler, 936 Wynngate Drive, representing self and neighborhood, spoke on the availability of animal traps for neighborhoods.

William Sullivan, 931 Artisan Avenue, representing Marsh Creek Civic League, spoke on the Stormwater Fee increase.

Gary Roper, 128 Causeway Drive, representing self, spoke concerning traffic congestion on Battlefield Boulevard; the need for crosswalks on Battlefield Boulevard; and the lack of drainage on Causeway Drive.

Wayne Johnson, 761 Fort Waters Road, representing self, spoke on City taxes and real estate assessments.

J. E. Newbern, 229 Robert Drive, representing self, spoke on the City's Weed Ordinance and traffic signs on Battlefield Boulevard.

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Michael I. Elliott, 501 Leary Court, representing Human Services Advisory Board, was not present when called.

Mayor Edge addressed the program proposed from Mr. Guilford stating he needed more information on the program and would have City Manager Harrell and City Attorney Hallman review the proposal.

In response to Ms. Diane Chandler concerning the influx of foxes and other wildlife, Mayor Edge asked City Attorney Hallman to investigate what other Hampton Roads cities were doing to resolve wildlife issues and to speak with Chesapeake Animal Control.

Council Member de Triquet stated that foxes are carriers of serious diseases and there was a need for comments from the Chesapeake Health Department. He recommended that if there was a financial issue involved that the City could look at renting traps from other localities.

In response to comments by Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Roper and Mr. Newbern concerning weed control, flooding and traffic signs, Mayor Edge stated that several departments would be looking at those issues.

#### **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion and clarification of the 4.5% pay increase approved for employees during the May 1, 2007 Special City Council Meeting.

Mayor Edge offered clarification of the 4.5% pay increase by stating that it was Council's intent to provide the raise to all full and regular part time employees, including unclassified employees with the exception of the City Manager effective July 1, 2007, and that City Council was authorizing, for the 2008 Fiscal Year that the 4.5% pay increase be provided to those employees who were near, at, or already over the maximum of their established pay grade, and that it was no the intent to provide this salary increase to temporary, grant, or seasonal employees.

There was extensive discussion among Council Members concerning Appointees' Evaluations. City Clerk Moore informed Council Members that evaluations were routinely held in June.

Council Member Collins, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Parker, moved to approve clarification of the previously adopted pay increase as stated by Mayor Edge, as presented.

There was no additional discussion.

On the motion to approve the clarification as stated, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, de Triquet, Edge, Hayes, Krasnoff, Parker and Ward.

Voting no: Council Member Willis

Council Members de Triquet and Krasnoff were excused at 9:15 p.m.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Edge questioned Council Members on the upcoming summer vacation schedule. It was the consensus of Council Members to place the discussion under Old/New Business at the June 19, 2007 City Council Meeting.

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Mayor Edge combined Committee Reports with Old and New Business and called on Council Members for both starting with Council Member Willis.

Council Member Willis suggested that a time limit be instituted for future Committee Reports to make the reports by Council Members more concise.

Mayor Edge stated that it would take a vote by Council to institute a time limit on Committee Reports and suggested an item be placed on a future Council Meeting Agenda.

Council Member Willis reported on the Town Meeting held June 5, 2007 at Sparrow Road Intermediate School; noted the lack of compliance by car dealerships in parking cars in the public right-of-way; overgrown grass in medians around the City, and said she hoped the current overgrown grass violation notification process would remain in place.

Council Member Ward stated she had received calls about the lack of grass maintenance on City properties including the Dr. Cuffee Community Center; asked City Manager Harrell to have staff investigate issues at the Chesapeake Crossing facility including foxes, rodents and crime and provide a report back to Council. Dr. Ward requested an item for Old and New Business on the June 19, 2007 Council Agenda to increase the income and net worth limits for the Elderly and Disabled Tax Relief Program. She also offered comments on a proposed time limit for Committee Reports.

In response to the inquiries about grass maintenance, City Attorney Hallman advised there was an issue with the contractor in charge of maintaining the City properties, but felt the issue had been resolved. He also stated that a report from Commissioner of the Revenue Ray Conner on the Elderly and Disabled Tax Relief Program would be presented at a future Council Meeting.

Vice Mayor Parker stated that he needed more information prior to considering a time limit for Committee Reports given by City Council Members.

Council Member Hayes commented on the benefits of a partnership between the schools and the Girls' and Boys' Clubs of Chesapeake. He also stated that the City should consider expanding its partnership with the Sheriff's Department to help address the overgrown grass problem.

Council Member Collins stated that some Council Members may need a little more time to report on Regional Boards and Authorities meetings so limiting time for those reports may not be good. Mr. Collins welcomed City Manager Harrell and said that he would be asking the Airport Authority members to schedule a meeting with Mr. Harrell.

Council Member Adams congratulated Mr. March Cromuel on his retirement as President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Dr. Adams noted that Hurricane Preparedness meetings were being held and speakers were available from Emergency Services to speak to groups in the City. She stated the contracts with the vendors for grass cutting may need to be reviewed for adjustments.

Mayor Edge advised that the sign at Greenbrier Parkway and Volvo Parkway was in poor condition and requested that City Manager Harrell have it repaired or removed. He also reminded Council Members of the joint meeting with the Portsmouth City Council scheduled for the June 28, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chesapeake Conference Center.

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Vice Mayor Parker reported that a reception was held June 7, 2007 in honor of new City Manager William E. Harrell. He noted that citizens at the most recent Town Meeting had expressed an interest in a greater attendance by City Council Members at Town Meetings.

Mayor Edge relinquished the gavel to Vice Mayor Parker.

**NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

A. Chesapeake Redevelopment & Housing Authority – 2 Vacancies

Vice Mayor Parker opened the floor for nominations to the Chesapeake Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

Council Adams nominated Harry D. Powell, Jr. and Shepelle Watkins-White for reappointment.

Council Member Hayes, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to close nominations and appoint the nominees to the Chesapeake Redevelopment & Housing Authority.

There was no discussion.

On the motion to close nominations and appoint the nominees to the Chesapeake Redevelopment & Housing Authority, voting yes: Council Members Adams, Collins, Edge, Hayes, Parker, Ward, and Willis.

Voting no: None (de Triquet and Krasnoff were excused)

Harry D. Powell, Jr. and Shepelle Watkins-White were reappointed to the Chesapeake Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

Vice Mayor Parker relinquished the gavel back to Mayor Edge.

Council Member Collins inquired about Board Members' attendance at Boards, Commissions and Authorities meetings and requested to know how accountability was documented.

City Clerk Moore stated that when appointment letters are sent out to Boards, Commissions and Authorities members, there is a general code section pertaining to attendance requirements for the various Boards and Commissions included. Reporting forms are also provided to the Chairman and staff liaisons for the various entities; attendance is included on the forms and are provided back to the City Clerk's Office.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk