

MINUTES
Town of Marshall Board of Aldermen
Regular Meeting
April 15, 2024
6:00 p.m.

In attendance were Mayor Aaron Haynie, Aldermen Billie Jean Haynie, Thomas Jablonski, Aileen Payne, Christiaan Ramsey and Laura Ponder Smith. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Forrest Gilliam and Town Attorney Jamie Stokes.

Mayor Haynie called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., and thanked the volunteers who helped with the litter sweep organized by the Marshall Parks and Recreation team on April 13th. Bags collected at the sweep and for the following two weeks will be counted toward a countywide competition, with winners announced on April 27

Item 1

Upon motion by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Jablonski, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

Item 2

Upon motion by Alderman Haynie, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting.

Item 3

Mayor Haynie confirmed that a quorum of the Board of Aldermen was present. Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator, stated that notice was properly advertised for the following public hearings Proposed Ordinance for Map Amendment RZ-2024-01 (Rezoning Property at 428 North Main Street to Conditional Mixed Use).

Upon motion by Alderman Jablonski, seconded by Alderman Smith, the Board voted 5-0 to open the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

Kaitland Finkle, Zoning Administrator, presented a staff report on the proposed Map Amendment and Plan Reasonableness Statement as recommended by the Planning Board. There were no questions from Board members regarding the staff report.

Mayor Haynie asked if anyone from the public wished to speak on the proposed map amendment. There being no comments from the public, Mayor Haynie asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Upon motion by Alderman Haynie, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 5-0 to close the public hearing at 6:10 p.m.

The public hearing for the proposed map amendment having properly been held, Mayor Haynie asked for a motion to approve the Consistency and Reasonableness Statement and Ordinance for Map Amendment RZ-2024-01 (Rezoning Property at 428 North Main Street to Conditional Mixed Use) with submitted conditions limiting approval only to Residential Uses under the Mixed Use section of the Permitted Use Table of the Unified Development Ordinance. Upon motion by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Haynie, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Consistency and Reasonableness Statement and Ordinance for Map Amendment RZ-2024-01.

Item 4

Mayor Haynie confirmed that a quorum of the Board of Aldermen was present, and Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator, stated that notice was properly advertised for a public hearing to consider proposed UDO Map Amendment: RZ-2024-02 (Rezoning Property at 10 Deringer Drive to Mixed Use).

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Jablonski, the Board voted 5-0 to open the public hearing at 6:12 p.m.

Kaitland Finkle, Zoning Administrator, presented a staff report on the proposed Map Amendment and Plan Reasonableness Statement as recommended by the Planning Board. There were no questions from Board members regarding the staff report.

Mayor Haynie asked if anyone from the public wished to speak on the proposed map amendment. There being no comments from the public, Mayor Haynie asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Upon motion by Alderman Payne, seconded by Alderman Haynie, the Board voted 5-0 to close the public hearing at 6:17 p.m.

The public hearing for the proposed map amendment having properly been held, Mayor Haynie asked for a motion to approve the Consistency and Reasonableness Statement and Ordinance for Map Amendment RZ-2024-02 (Rezoning Property at 10 Deringer Drive to Mixed Use). Upon motion by Alderman Payne, seconded by Alderman Jablonski, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Consistency and Reasonableness Statement and Ordinance for Map Amendment RZ-2024-02.

Item 5

A report the Tax Collection and Water/Sewer collection rates for the month of February was presented to the Board.

The financial report for the month of February was presented to the Board.

Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator shared an update regarding the budget development process for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, and stated that the Town is still waiting on information from the County regarding the increased assessment of property in the Town's jurisdiction as part of the countywide property revaluation.

Reports from Boards and Community Organizations

Downtown Marshall Association – No report.

Board of Adjustment – No meeting.

Planning Board – Meeting May 6

Parks and Recreation – Met April 10. In addition to organizing the April 13 litter sweep, the Parks and Recreation Committee discussed the location for a volleyball net and movable soccer goals on the multi-purpose field.

After review of the recommendation from Parks and Recreation, the consensus of the Board was to erect a volleyball net at the edge of the field closest to the turnoff to the driveway that goes to the wastewater treatment plant.

The Board was supportive of having soccer on the field as well. Staff will develop a use agreement for any organized or regularly scheduled soccer events and bring back to the Board at a later date for consideration.

The Beautification Working Group and the Parks and Recreation Committee recommended the planting of two dogwoods in the pocket park. There is money in the budget to cover the purchase of the two trees, and the Board agreed for staff to proceed with the purchase.

Department Reports

Fire Department – Report in packet

Police Department – Chief Mike Boone referred to his written monthly report in board member packets.

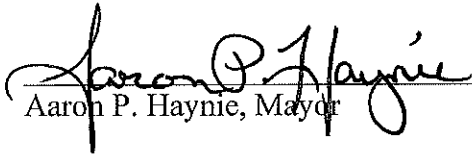
Public Works Department – Report in packet.

Public Comment – No one signed up for public comment.

Upon motion by Alderman Haynie, seconded by Alderman Jablonski, the Board voted 5-0 to enter into closed session for the purposes of attorney-client privilege, personnel, and property.

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Haynie, the Board voted 5-0 to return to open session.

Upon motion by Alderman Jablonski, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.


Aaron P. Haynie, Mayor


Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator