



These minutes are from the Town of Abita Springs Public Committee Meetings on November 2, 2020.

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE: Mr. Patterson moved to open the Infrastructure Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2020 minutes. In Mr. Saussy's absence, the motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy. Mr. Patterson moved to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: In Ms. Randolph's absence, Mr. Patterson moved to open the Economic Development Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2020 minutes. Ms. Contois seconded the motion. Mr. Patterson moved to close the meeting, seconded by Ms. Contois.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Ms. Contois moved to open the Finance Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2020 minutes, seconded by Mr. Murphy. Ms. Contois made a motion to favorably recommend Instrument 2020-009, An Ordinance to Establish an Operating Budget of Revenue and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2021 and Ending December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy. It was noted that the presentation of the September Financial Report would be postponed until the December Public Committee Meeting. Ms. Contois moved to close the meeting seconded by Mr. Murphy.

GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE: Due to the late arrival of Mr. Saussy, Mr. Patterson moved to open the Governmental Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2020 minutes, seconded by Mr. Murphy. **1.)** Mr. Murphy expressed his thoughts regarding Instrument 2020-007, An Ordinance to Amend the Abita Springs Design Review Guidelines for the Historic Commission; Relative to Porches and Fences. He stated he was not in favor of prohibiting 6' fences in rear yards on corner lots and was still undecided regarding increasing the minimum porch depth from 7 to 8'. Ms. Contois noted that she finds the tall fence prohibition makes sense in some areas and does not in other areas. Mr. Patterson moved to defer the discussion and consideration of the instrument until the next Public Committee Meeting, seconded by Mr. Murphy. **2.)** Mr. Saussy arrived to participate in the discussion of the annexation of approximately 25.26 acres of property on Hwy 36 (owned by the Abita Brewing Company) into the corporate limits of the Town of Abita Springs, zoned as Light Industrial and to provide for related matters. Ms. Contois raised concerns regarding the multi-use function of the property as related to the Town's zoning classifications. Mr. Murphy expressed the will of the Committee to direct Town Counselor Edward Deano to investigate the procedure to move forward with the annexation request and to draft an ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Saussy. Mr. Saussy made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

Local resident, Donna Caire requested that the Board extend its moratorium in Brook Forest. Mr. Deano suggested that the request should more appropriately be made to the Planning and Zoning Commission. He went on to explain the Board's ordinance only related to permitting.

Mr. Saussy made a motion to close the committee meetings, seconded by Mr. Patterson.

MEETING ADJOURNED
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 2nd DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk

Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor