

**Minutes of the New Market
Town Council Work Session
Monday, August 21, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

The New Market Town Council met in the Council Chambers of the Arthur L. Hildreth, Jr., Municipal Building on Monday, August 21, 2023 with the following members present: Peggy Harkness, Peter Hughes, Scott Wymer, Daryl Watkins and Bob King. Mayor Bompiani arrived at 6:05. Council member, Janice Hannah arrived at 6:15 p.m.

The action items for the Closed Work Session were to discuss the Voluntary Settlement Agreement.

At 5:30 p.m., Mrs. Harkness made a motion to enter into a Closed Session in order to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by our attorney as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(8) of the state code. The subject matter of the meeting is to discuss the hiring or appointment of Town Manager, and discuss the Berkley Group Agreement for services related to the Voluntary Settlement Agreement regarding annexation. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion which passed on the following 5-0 unanimous roll call vote:

Mr. Wymer	Aye	Mrs. Harkness	Aye
Mr. King	Aye	Mr. Hughes	Aye

At 6:33 p.m., Mr. Watkins made a motion to return from Closed Session and read aloud the following Certification Resolution: With respect to the just-concluded closed session, and to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under The Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Town Council. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion which carried on the following 6-0 unanimous roll call vote:

Mr. Hughes	Aye	Mr. King	Aye
Mrs. Harkness	Aye	Mr. Wymer	Aye
Mrs. Hannah	Aye	Mr. Watkins	Aye