

**The regular meeting of the Boydton Town Council was held on June 11, 2019, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Council Chambers with Mayor John M. Kirkland presiding.**

**THOSE PRESENT**

**John M. Kirkland, Mayor  
T. G. Gill, Vice Mayor  
W. H. Coleman (Absent)  
Bill Thompson  
David M. Crowder (Absent)  
Ronny Worley  
Mr. Paul “Ray” Cherry  
Shirley S. Bowen, MMC, Clerk-Treasurer  
Angela D. Amos, Deputy Clerk (Absent)**

**GUESTS**

**Mr. R. H. Park III, WWTP Chief Operator  
Mr. Johnny Roberts, Maintenance, Supervisor  
Mr. & Mrs. Will Ober & Suzanna M. Branch  
Mr. Johnathan Kirkland – Mecklenburg Sun**

**Mayor J. M. Kirkland called to order and opened the regular meeting of the Boydton Town Council by thanking everyone for their attendance at tonight’s meeting. He then led the council, audience, and employees with the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence.**

**The Mayor requested a motion to approve the regular minutes of May 14, 2019, as submitted. Councilman Bill Thompson moved to approve the May minutes as presented, with Vice Mayor T. G. Gill seconding the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**Mayor Kirkland requested a motion to pay the bills as submitted for June 2019. Councilman Worley questioned the finance charges shown on the “bills to be paid” report. Councilman Worley, Vice Mayor Gill, and Mayor Kirkland advised that this had never been done before and it was unacceptable. They instructed Mrs. Bowen to advise Ms. Amos that the bills should be paid in a timelier manner to avoid penalties and interest. Councilman Ronny Worley then moved to pay the bills for the month of June 2019, as presented. Councilman Bill Thompson seconded the motion, with all members voting unanimously.**

**Police Chief, Danny R. Fox, reported on his police activity for the month of May 2019. He reported that he had one (1) vehicle citation and (3) traffic stops, and he’d also had some problems with dogs on Finch Lane, but he was trying to get the issue resolved. Councilman Thompson moved to approve Chief Fox’s report with Councilman Ray Cherry seconding the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**Mr. R. H. Park III reported that Boydton’s Department of Water, RRSA Meter Readings Report of water pumped for May 2019, was 1,525,000 gallons. He also added that the DMR’s came back with no problems. Southern Corrosion came by and washed out our tank and**

also fixed the ball that indicates whether the tank is full or empty. Everything is now running smoothly. He advised that he was now adding a Flow Report to let us know the flow amount we're currently getting in from Microsoft and the town's usage. Also, it should be noted that after the summer months, the flow will begin to decline.

Mr. Johnny Roberts reported on the Maintenance Department's work during the month. He stated that he had received another estimate on the cost of a new truck for the council's review. Mayor Kirkland mentioned that a tree, down on Washington Street, had a ribbon wrapped around it and inquired, if that tree was to be taken down. Mr. Roberts responded by saying that VDOT and Dominion Virginia Power had negotiated as to who would take it down with it being decided that Dominion Virginia Power would be doing the job. Mr. Roberts stated that due to the size of the tree, the streets would possibly be marked off due to traffic during the process.

Councilman Cherry inquired about a telephone pole being broken in half and asked Mr. Roberts, if he knew the plans for that. Mr. Roberts advised that Verizon had placed a guidewire to stabilize the new pole near Keith Loftis' house on Craddock Street and the old pole would be removed and the new one placed beside it. The wait has been due to Comcast's and Verizon's equipment being switched over to the new pole.

Mayor Kirkland opened the floor for public comments. There were none, except the Mayor welcomed little Suzanna Manton Branch back to town for the summer who's staying with her grandparents, Will and Donna Ober. He added that he hoped she has a great summer and gets to enjoy our Town Park.

Also, Chief Fox informed the council that Woodmen of the World Chapter 124 donated ten (10) American Flags to hang on the poles up and down the streets. Mayor Kirkland thanked him on behalf of the council and himself for their generosity.

The Mayor advised that it was time for the 2019-2020 budget meetings. The suggested time for the Public Hearing would be Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at 7:00 P.M., if agreeable. Then seven (7) days later, June 26<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 P.M., we would set as the meeting time and date to "adopt" the 2019-2020 budget. Councilman Worley and Councilman Cherry stated that they could not attend the first meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Vice Mayor Gill moved that these dates be the scheduled dates for the FY 2019-2020 budget approval and adoption. Councilman Bill Thompson seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Mayor Kirkland advised the audience that the council would be convening into a closed session at this time.

Council Ronny Worley read the motion for the "closed" session, which was: "I move that the Town Council hold a closed meeting to discuss the following, as permitted by the Virginia

**Code 2.2-3711 (A) (1), for the purpose of discussing personnel issues relative to the FY 2019-2020 budget.”**

**Upon reconvening, Councilman Worley made the following motion: “I move that the Boydton Town Council certify that, in the closed meeting just concluded, that nothing was discussed except the matters (1) specifically identified in the motion to convene in a closed meeting and (2) lawfully permitted to be so discussed under the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act cited in that motion.”**

**The motion was passed by a roll call vote as follows:**

<b>Ronald C. Worley</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>W.H. Coleman</b>	<b>(Absent)</b>	<b>David M. Crowder</b>	<b>(Absent)</b>
<b>Paul “Ray” Cherry</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>T.G. Gill</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Bill Thompson</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**No discussion or other motions were made after the closed session.**

**There being no further comments or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.**

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**Shirley S. Bowen, MMC**  
**Clerk of Council & Treasurer**  
**June 11, 2019**

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**John M. Kirkland**  
**Mayor**