



Staff Report

TO: Mayor & Town Council

FROM: Melissa Hynes, Town Administrator

DATE: July 15, 2022

SUBJECT: Sale of Town Owned Property Public Hearing

PURPOSE:

The Town Council shall conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the sale of the Large Reservoir Property, its related easements and the associated Springs that feed the Reservoir. Three quarters of the Town Council shall vote to adopt/approve an ordinance or resolution for the sale of these Town Properties.

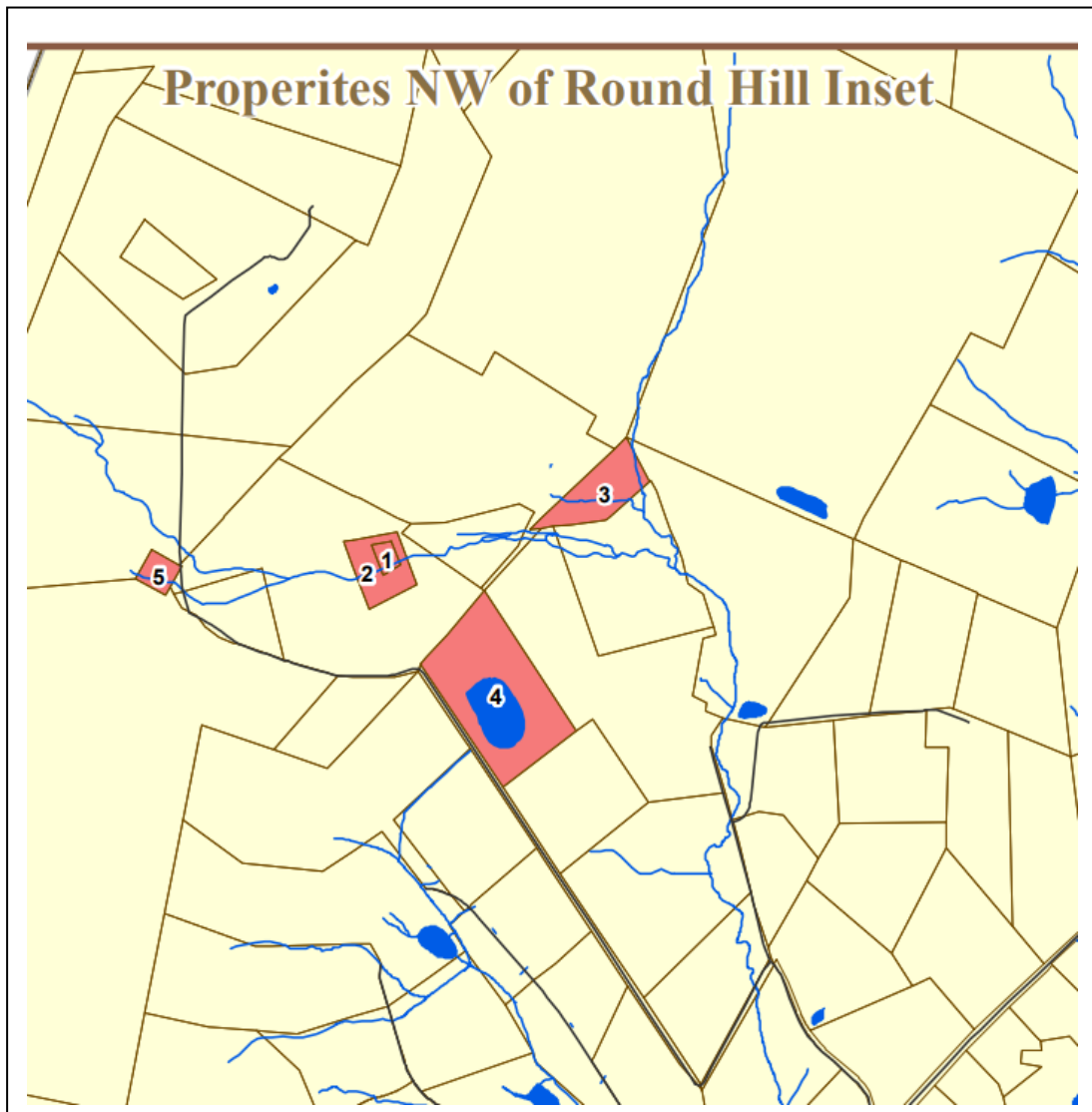
BACKGROUND:

The reservoir consists of a 12.8438 parcel conveyed by John D. Thomas, Jr. and Bertha C. Thomas to the Town in August 1958. The Town's engineer, Keith Lane, Peed & Bortz, advised that the probability is low that the Town will want to use the reservoir as a potable water asset within any reasonable planning period (see attached letter from Keith Lane).

Virginia law requires that towns conduct a public hearing prior to the conveyance of publicly owned land. The Towns issued a Request for Proposal ("RFP") for the Large Reservoir in April/May 2022. (A Request for Proposals is not required). The Town can review the submitted RFPs but are required to hold a public hearing prior to approving a purchase agreement for the parcel.

The Virginia Constitution and State Code require a three-quarters vote of the town council to convey the parcel. *Virginia Constitution Article VII Section 9 and Virginia Code § 15.2-2100 allow the sale of town property by an ordinance or resolution passed by a recorded affirmative vote of three-fourths of all members elected to the governing body.*

(Map of Properties are on the next page)



MAP:

The properties and easements that are the Town Council is considering selling are shown in the above map as: Parcel 1, Parcel 2, Parcel 4, and Parcel 5

MOTION:

I move the Round Hill Town Council move to adopt Ordinance No 2022-