

Zebulon Board of Commissioners
Work Session
Minutes
April 27, 2016

Present: Robert S. Matheny-Mayor, Beverly Clark, Dale Beck, Don Bumgarner, Joe Moore-Town Manager, Lisa Markland-Town Clerk, Chris Ray-Public Works, Mark Hetrick-Planning, Tim Hayworth-Police, Chris Perry-Fire, Greg Johnson-Parks & Recreation, Bobby Fitts-Finance, Eric Vernon-Attorney

Absent: Curtis Strickland, Glenn York

Mayor Matheny called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Clark made a motion, second by Commissioner Beck to approve the agenda as presented. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Planning

Wake County Transit Plan Presentation

Tim Maloney gave a PowerPoint presentation about the proposed Wake County Transit plan for the next ten years and how they planned to fund the plan and how decisions were made on increasing trips in various areas. The study that was done included many groups, public comments and a committee that Zebulon had representation on. Tim presented the current fees and what was proposed including a ½ cent sales tax, the cost of the technology and how it looked on the ground. Tim also explained that that transit would not alleviate congestion but would help in some ways. A fifty percent matching program was also part of the plan.

There was discussion about the rail in the area and the fact that Zebulon and eastern Wake County, was more often than not, was excluded in the models when it came to providing services to that area when it comes to transit.

Tim Maloney said that there would be a need for a referendum for the ½ cent sales tax and that could come about as early as November 2016.

B. General

Pre-Budget

Joe Moore gave a PowerPoint presentation that reviewed tax rates, the general fund fund balance and since it was a re-valuation year a revenue neutral tax rate had to be reported. The basics presented were how the various tax streams were affected over the last few years along with other points in the economy. The general fund fund balance policy and what the base and ceiling were showing that there was approximately \$2 million over the fifty percent that had to remain in the fund and how the revenue neutral tax rate was figured.

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There was discussion about the mean value of property and the thought was that the growth numbers seemed to be off. The Board appreciated the presentation and looked forward to the Budget presentation on May 2, 2016.

MANAGERS REPORT

There was nothing to report at that time.

Commissioner Bumgarner made a motion, second by Commissioner Beck to adjourn. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Date

Robert S. Matheny—Mayor

SEAL

Lisa M. Markland, CMC—Town Clerk