

Zebulon Board of Commissioners
Minutes
April 3, 2017

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

Others Present: Kenny Waldroup and Will Letchworth

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by David Lampkin from Zebulon Middle School.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION

Mayor Matheny recognized student David Lampkin and teacher Carol Holden both from Zebulon Middle School.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Denise Nowell with the Zebulon Chamber of Commerce gave an update on May Day and the 5k run which would also have food trucks, a tour of homes and events with the Mudcats.

CONSENT

Mayor Matheny asked that the minutes for the March 6, 2017 meeting be removed and placed as item VII, B(1). The Board agreed by consensus.

A. Minutes

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Bumgarner to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 joint public hearing. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Bumgarner to approve the minutes of the March 9 & 10, 2017 Retreat. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Finance

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Bumgarner to approve the tax report for January 2017. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Bumgarner to approve the Ordinance 2017-17. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION

A. Facility Use Request

Relay for Life

Vicky Curtis came forward and gave an update on the event they had been doing at Five County Stadium for the last nine years. Ms. Curtis stated that the participation numbers had fallen off and thought that the use of the Stadium property was too large for the numbers that had signed up to participate.

The request was to use the municipal complex on May 19 from 5-10pm and to have all fees waived for use of the facility since the event had been a joint effort with the Town since 2007. Set up for the event would begin at noon on May 19. There would be no need to use the interior of the building since they were bringing in Port-a-Johns. Therefore the request did not include the use of the building.

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Clark to approve the request to use the municipal complex on May 19 from 5-10pm, excluding the use of the building and fees would be waived. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Curtis presented the Town with a plaque in appreciation for the partnership and thanked the Town for all the years of working together.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Public Works

Multi-Modal Transportation Plan Revision

Chris Ray stated that the presentation was previously done by Will Letchworth and he was present if the Board had any questions on what the request was. The Planning Board recommended approval of the proposed changes to the plan.

Mayor Matheny stated that there was no need for the presentation to be done again.

Commissioner Bumgarner made a motion, second by Commissioner Beck to approve the revisions to the Multi-Modal Transportation Plan as presented. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Minutes

March 6, 2017

Mayor Matheny explained that there was some confusion on what was being approved as it concerned Autumn Lakes – SU 2017-02 at the March 6, 2017 meeting.

Commissioner Bumgarner made a motion, second by Commissioner Beck to approve the minutes of March 6, 2017 with the amendment to approve SU 2017-02 with all conditions as presented by staff. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Administration

Falls Lake Reallocation

Kenny Waldroup, with the City of Raleigh, gave a presentation and started with the background for Falls Lake water allocation. Kenny stated that the primary watershed was Falls Lake with 20 percent of water coming from Lake Vinson, Lake Wheeler.

The Army Corp of Engineers was in the process of reviewing the request to increase allocation and if all went well a decision would be granted by November 2017.

There was discussion about Little River Reservoir and the fact that it probably would not come about until 2045 since it would not be needed with the reallocation. There was still a desire to preserve the Little River watershed for future use. Drought issues were discussed and Kenny explained that in emergencies they would be able to pull from Jordan Lake. Lakes Kerr and Gaston were not an option since there was no infrastructure to transport the water.

Kenny stated that they were in the middle of the public comment period which would allow for the Corp to receive comments on a draft document. Formal support was being requested for the report and the reallocation which would occur with the approval of Resolution 2017-14.

Commissioner Strickland made a motion, second by Commissioner York to approve Resolution 2017-14. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Public Works

Beaverdam Creek Greenway Phase I – Funding

Chris Ray presented that with the adoption of Ordinance 2017-16 it would recognize funds received from Wake County, Weaver's Pond, and DR Horton in the amount of \$430,465.

Commissioner Clark made a motion, second by Commissioner Beck to approve Ordinance 2017-16. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Beaverdam Creek Greenway Phase I – PARTF Grant

Chris Ray stated that Resolution 2017-13 was to show support for a PARTF Grant in the amount of \$500,000 which was a 50 percent matching grant. The grant would be for greenways in Zebulon from Taryn Meadows to Weaver's Pond. The map was reviewed.

There was some discussion about the trail and why that one was chosen and going around the pond on all sides. Commissioner Strickland thought that it was decided that it would not go around the pond. Chris explained that it was discussed and a resident in that area was not in favor but it was staff's recommendation that going around the pond was the best option and provided good connectivity. Mayor Matheny said that it was to be discussed but there was no definitive answer to not do that portion of the greenway.

Commissioner Beck asked why not wait and do that section in Taryn Meadows that goes to nowhere later. Chris explained that it could be bid as an alternate and pulled out at a later date, if the Board wanted.

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Mayor Matheny stated that currently it was serving no purpose. Chris Ray stated that they were planning for the future and trying to maximize grant dollars. Mayor Matheny asked if they could look at it again when the grant came in. Chris stated that they could. Mayor Matheny asked if it would be bid as an alternate and Chris said that they could.

Commissioner Bumgarner made a motion, second by Commissioner York to approve Resolution 2017-13. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Beaverdam Creek Greenway Phase I – Engineering Contract

Chris Ray presented the engineering contract from Kimley Horn for the design of the project. Kimley Horn had completed 25 greenways in the last several years; the contract was a 14 month contract for design and permitting. The attorney’s had reviewed the contract and approved what was being presented.

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Clark to approve the engineering contract for Kimley Horn. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Planning

SC 2017-01—Right of Way Abandonment

Julie Spriggs presented that they needed to set a date for a public hearing if the Board wanted to show that they were interested in closing Eddins Street behind Wakelon Townhomes.

Resolution 2017-12 would set the date for the public hearing to May 1, 2017 meeting and did not tie the Board to approval of the request to close Eddins Street.

Commissioner Beck made a motion, second by Commissioner Strickland to approve Resolution 2017-12. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS

No Board Comments.

MANAGERS REPORT

Joe Moore stated that there would be a worksession on April 19; the budget would be presented on May 1, 2017. Recycling day would be on April 8 in the parking lot of the Municipal Complex.

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

Date

Robert S. Matheny—Mayor

SEAL

Lisa M. Markland, CMC—Town Clerk