

Town of Spring Lake  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
Municipal Building  
300 Ruth Street  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

April 10, 2017

**MINUTES**

7:03 p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a regular scheduled meeting in the Grady Howard Conference Room of the Spring Lake Municipal Building with Mayor Chris Rey presiding.

**Board Members Present:**  
Mayor Pro Tem Larry Dobbins  
Alderman Christian  
Alderwoman Densie Lucas  
Alderman James O'Garra  
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

**Others Present:**

Tad Davis, Town Manager	Tony Buzzard, Town Attorney
Tom Cooney, Public Works Director	Sam Jones, Recreation Director
Tim Garner, Interim Director of Water Resources	Rosa Henegan, Human Resource Officer
Charles Kimble, Police Chief	T.J. McLamb, Fire Chief
Claiburn Watson, Finance Director	Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

**2. Invocation**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins gave the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Rey led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

**4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda**

The Board added as item 9f: Appointment, Spring Lake Recreation Advisory Committee, to the agenda.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

The Board approved the amended agenda.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve the amended agenda.

**Motion by:** Alderman Christian

**Second by:** Alderman O'Garra

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment one.)

**6. Approval of Consent Items**

The Board approved the consent items:

- a. Minutes of the March 27, 2017 Regular Meeting
- b. Proclamation, Earth Day/Spring Litter Sweep 2017

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes of March 27, 2017 Regular Meeting and Proclamation, Earth Day/Spring Litter Sweep 2017

**Motion by:** Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins

**Second by:** Alderman Christian

**Vote:** Unanimous

## **7. Public Forum**

No one spoke at the Public Forum.

## **8. Presentations**

### **a. Engineering Projects Update**

Mr. Cooney updated the Board on two sidewalk projects that are currently underway. The Town received two grants for the construction of sidewalks along Highway 210 in the area of Wal-Mart (crossing the creek at the guardrail) and along 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to Highway 210. He also reported that he has submitted a grant application for a sidewalk along Spring Avenue from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to the Middle and Elementary schools. Mr. Cooney provided the Board with artistic renderings of what the sidewalk plan would look like for the Main Street sidewalk improvements. He stated we will only lose one parking space. Mr. Davis stated we are going after any grants that we can find for sidewalk projects without overstretching the Town. Most of these are a 20% match and he believes they are worth investing in.

(A copy of the agenda memo, maps and artwork is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment two.)

### **b. Manager's Update**

Mr. Davis reported the following:

- He gave a huge shout out to the Parks and Recreation Department and the Town as a whole for the tremendous job at Spring Fling. We had between 3,200 and 3,500 in attendance.
- The Easter Sunrise Service is scheduled for April 16, 2017 at 6:30 a.m. at Riverview Cemetery. Mr. Adcock and the Spring Lake Ministerial Alliance will organize this event.
- Earth Day/Spring Litter Sweep is scheduled for April 29, 2017 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Household hazardous waste drop off will be set up in the parking lot.
- FEMA update: We expect to receive approximately \$200,000 in reimbursement. He stated Mr. Cooney has done a fantastic job in getting the reimbursement for the Town.
- The Giving Together Community Grant for outdoor exercise equipment is still ongoing. We have approximately \$700. We are starting a renewed effort to get the \$10,000 matching funds. The Cumberland Community Foundation will match dollar for dollar up to \$10,000.

Alderwoman Sutherland stated it was a beautiful day at the Spring Fling and she thanked everyone who came out. She also inquired about the FEMA reimbursement and stated she understands the Police Annex roof needs to be replaced and inquired about the other projects. Mr. Davis stated the roof at the Police Annex has been replaced and two roofs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (one on the main building and one on the pump house) are currently planned for replacement. Mr. Cooney stated for the two roofs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant we will have to file with our insurance company first and whatever they do not pay we will ask for reimbursement from FEMA. He stated the Police Annex roof was \$11,000 and we are expecting approximately \$34,000 for the two roofs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

## **9. New Business**

### **a. Case No. 16-115. Consideration of Donald Moss Property; Request for a C(P) Site Plan Review; Spring Lake Zoning Ordinance; Zoned: C(P); Total Acreage: 0.29 +/-; Located at 800 North Main Street (SR 1449)**

Mr. Cooney advised that Mr. Moss is now complying with the Ordinances and restrictions. Mr. Cooney worked with Mr. Moss to get the location cleaned up so that it does not look like a junk yard and he now recommends approval. Mayor Rey stated that he does not want this location to look like a junk yard. He wants to make sure that people know we are trying to clean this Town up and business owners in this Town need to get on board or get out. We need the help of our business owners so that we can grow this Town the right way. We will not tolerate anyone else who tries to stretch the

rules as far as they can go.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve Case No. 16-115 and approve this property as an automotive repair property.

**Motion by:** Alderman Christian

**Second by:** Alderwoman Lucas

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Cumberland County Planning and Inspections Department Action Memo and Site Profile is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment three.)

**b. Resolution (2017) 2, Approval of Annual Audit Contract**

Mr. Watson presented the Annual Audit Contract with S. Preston Douglas and stated this will be the third year we have used this audit firm. He stated the amount is \$14,500. Alderman O'Garra stated he would like to see the Town only use an audit firm for three years.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve the Resolution (2017) 2.

**Motion by:** Alderman O'Garra

**Second by:** Alderwoman Lucas

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo, Resolution (2017) 2 and the Audit Contract is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment four.)

**c. Resolution (2017) 3, Naming Spring Lake Post Office in Honor of Howard Pate**

Mr. Davis advised he has begun research for naming the Spring Lake Post Office. He stated the first thing that has to happen is for the Board of Aldermen to approve a Resolution supporting this request.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2017) 3 Naming Spring Lake Post Office in honor of Howard Pate.

**Motion by:** Alderwoman Sutherland

**Second by:** Alderman Christian

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Resolution (2017) 3 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment five.)

**d. Appointment, Minimum Housing Appeals Board**

Ms. Webb advised that Ms. Adwoa Rey submitted an application to serve on the Minimum Housing Appeals Board. Currently, there is one regular position that is vacant and two alternate positions that are vacant. Ms. Rey has submitted to serve as a regular member. If approved, she will serve a three-year term expiring April 30, 2020.

Mayor Rey stated he is glad to see citizens stepping up to serve on committees. It is great that we have citizens stepping up to serve in our community. We hope that you will serve with great delight, Ms. Rey.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to appoint Adwoa Rey to the Minimum Housing Appeals Board to serve a three-year term expiring April 30, 2020.

**Motion by:** Alderman Christian

**Second by:** Alderwoman Sutherland

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Application from Ms. Adwoa Rey is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment six.)

**e. Resolution (2017) 4, Declaring Surplus Equipment**

Mr. Garner presented Resolution (2017) 4 to declare IT equipment surplus.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2017) 4.

**Motion by:** Alderwoman Lucas

**Second by:** Alderman O'Garra

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo, Resolution (2017) 4 and a list of IT Equipment proposed for surplus is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment seven.)

**f. Appointments, Recreation Advisory Committee**

Ms. Webb advised that the Recreation Advisory Committee currently has only 5 regular members. They have 4 regular member positions that are vacant, 3 alternate member positions that are vacant and two teen liaison member positions that are vacant. Mr. Jones received 5 applications from people wishing to serve on this Committee. The Board was asked to consider appointing 4 of those applicants to regular member positions and 1 applicant to an alternate member position. The applications were listed in order of date submitted and staff recommends appointing the first 4 to the regular member positions and appointing the last one, not dated, to the alternate position.

Applicants are: Danielle White, 1428 Milton Street; Henry Ponder, 1620 Mack Street; Richard McBride, 108 Alexander Lane; Ne'Mecia Braggs, 317 Vass Road; and Latoya Rhodes, 2204 Brinkley Drive

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve the Annual Audit Contract.

**Motion by:** Alderwoman Sutherland

**Second by:** Alderman Christian

**Vote:** Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Audit Contract is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment eight.)


**10. Adjournment.**

**Action:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

**Motion:** Alderman O'Garra


**Second by:** Alderman Christian

**Vote:** Unanimous

  
Rhonda D. Webb, MMC, NCCMC  
Town Clerk



ATTEST:

  
Chris V. Rey  
Mayor