

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

June 13, 2016

MINUTES

7:05 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 James Christian
Alderwoman Densie Lucas
Alderman James O'Garra
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

Others Present:

Tad Davis, Town Manager
Byron Blumenfeld, Director of Water Resources
John Kleinert, Director of Streets, Grounds and Sanitation
Paul Hoover, Director of Public Works
T.J. McLamb, Fire Chief
Claiburn Watson, Finance Director

Tony Buzzard, Town Attorney
JC Combs, Assistant Recreation Director
Rosa Henegan, HR Officer
Troy McDuffie, Chief of Police
Doris Snider, Senior Center Director
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

2. Invocation

Alderman O'Garra gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rey led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda

Resolution (2016) 12 was added to the agenda prior to the meeting and the Board was given an amended agenda.

5. Approval of Agenda

The Board approved the amended agenda.

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

Motion by: Alderman O'Garra

Second by: Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins

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 May 23, 2016 Special Meeting
- b. Minutes of the May 23, 2016 Regular Meeting
- c. Minutes of the June 6, 2016 Special Meeting
- d. Proclamation, Dump the Pump Day

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes for May 23, 2016 Special Meeting, Minutes for May 23, 2016 Regular Meeting, Minutes of the June 6, 2016 Special Meeting and Proclamation for Dump the Pump Day.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

7. Public Forum

Nathaniel Fitch, 735 Goodyear Drive, spoke regarding a community field trip to Washington, DC. They had 54 people go on the trip and it was a huge success and people are already talking about doing it again. He also spoke regarding the PAL and advised he is still working on trying to create a Police Athletic League in Spring Lake and requested the Mayor and Mr. Davis assist him with the new steps he has been advised to follow to get a PAL started. Mr. Davis stated he will make contact with Mr. Roland from Dunn.

Dedra Parker, 160 Chapel Hill Road, spoke regarding questionable activities on the Sandhills Family Heritage Center/Farmer's Market property. She submitted a letter outlining her concerns and requested that the activity be investigated.

8. Public Hearing

a. Proposed FY 2016-2017 Budget

Mayor Rey opened the Public Hearing. No one spoke for or against the proposed FY 2016-2017 budget.

Action: The Board approved a motion to close the public hearing.

Motion by: Alderman O'Garra

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: 4-1	Yes	No
	Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins	Alderwoman Sutherland
	Alderman Christian	
	Alderwoman Lucas	
	Alderman O'Garra	

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

9. Presentation

a. Yard of the Month

Mayor Rey and Ms. Hash presented certificates to the Yard of the Month recipients who were in attendance. The following people won the award for June:

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weaver, 709 Freda Court

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

b. Economic Development Update

Mr. Curtis Worthy, President and CEO of the Spring Lake Chamber of Commerce, gave the Board an overview of the economic development activities he has been working on and the contacts he had made concerning possible development for Spring Lake.

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

c. Manager's Update

Mr. Davis reported the following:

- NCDOT Community Forum Update is scheduled for June 21, 2016 at 6 p.m. This forum is co-sponsored by the Town, the Spring Lake Chamber and FTCC and will be held at Wellons Auditorium at FTCC Spring Lake Campus.
- The NCDOT U-4444b roadway construction project is projected to be complete by March or April 2017.
- Poe Avenue Bridge opening is expected to be between June 18 and June 21, 2016.
- Street light conversion to LED has begun. We have had positive feedback already from residents.
- Mosquito spraying should begin this week and will be done on a monthly basis for July and August. Mr. Kleinert is working with the County Public Health Department to get 100 sets of mosquito dunks which are used in outdoor water areas like fish ponds. They are safe for pets and will destroy the mosquito larva and stop mosquito breeding. They will be available for citizens to get (free of charge). We are also working on an informational flyer to help educate our citizens about things to be aware of and actions they can take to help protect from mosquitos.
- The Military and Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee held their first meeting.
- We had our first "Screen on the Green" movie night this past Friday night and it was well attended.

Alderman O'Garra inquired about the construction of the bridge on the Main Street side and the lack of a retaining wall/guard rail to keep vehicles from traveling off the edge. Mr. Davis stated he will discuss this with NCDOT.

Alderwoman Sutherland inquired about the roadway behind W.T. Brown and McDonalds and asked if there will be a traffic signal or a four-way stop sign configuration instead of the one-way stop signs that are there now. She requested that we check on this. Mr. Davis stated he will inquire about the final plans.

10. New Business

a. Ordinance (2016) 5, FY 2016-2017 Budget

Mr. Watson provided the Board with an overview of the FY 2016-2017 budget which included the budget preparation guiding principles, a budget summary comparison of the seven operating funds, noteworthy initiatives for the upcoming budget and the proposed Capital Outlay.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Ordinance (2016) 5.

Motion by: Alderman O'Garra

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: 4-1	Yes	No
	Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins	Alderwoman Sutherland
	Alderman Christian	
	Alderwoman Lucas	
	Alderman O'Garra	

(A copy of the agenda memo, Ordinance (2016) 5 and the PowerPoint Presentation is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment five.)

b. 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

Chief McLamb stated the Town was approved for the AFG grant and requested the Board approve accepting the grant award. The Town must provide a 5% match of \$2,666 which is included in the budget.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve acceptance of the AFG Grant.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

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

c. Resolution (2016) 12, Authorizing Application for FAMPO Grant

Mr. Hoover stated approving Resolution (2016) 12 would allow the Town to submit an application for an additional sidewalk grant. If approved, this would allow us to close the gap completely between Poe Avenue and Wal-Mart. He stated this obligates no money from the Town at this time. If we are approved, we would bring a request before the Board to authorize funds for the 20% match.

Alderwoman Sutherland inquired about sidewalks on Spring Avenue to the school for the school kids to utilize and wanted to ensure we continue dialogue on this issue. Mr. Hoover advised we are waiting to see how much sidewalk the U-4444b project will install on Spring Avenue before we work on that area. He also advised have sidewalk on Lake Avenue which continues to the school and provides a pedestrian path to the school once we get this completed. Alderwoman Sutherland also wants to see the sidewalks continue on down Lillington Highway as well.

Action: The Board approved a motion to adopt Resolution (2016) 12.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

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

11. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Motion: Alderman O'Garra

Second by: Alderman Christian


Vote: Unanimous



Rhonda D. Webb

Rhonda D. Webb, MMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk

ATTEST:


Chris V. Rey
Mayor