

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

November 14, 2016

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 James Christian
Alderwoman Densie Lucas
Alderman James O'Garra
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

Others Present:

Tom Cooney, Acting Town Manager
Byron Blumenfeld, Water Resource Manager
Rosa Henegan, Human Resource Officer
Claiburn Watson, Finance Director

Tony Buzzard, Town Attorney
Jerrel Johnson, Police Lieutenant
T.J. McLamb, Fire Chief
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

2. Invocation

Alderwoman Lucas gave a non-sectarian invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rey led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins requested to add a Proclamation for Mr. Howard Pate to the agenda.

Action: The Board approved a motion to add as Item 9e a Proclamation for Mr. Howard Pate.

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

5. Approval of Agenda

The Board approved the amended agenda.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the 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 October 24, 2016 Regular Meeting

b. Proclamation, America Recycles Day/Fall Litter Sweep 2016

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes for October 24, 2016 Regular Meeting and the America Recycles Day/Fall Litter Sweep Proclamation.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

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

7. Public Forum

Mr. Carl Williams, 1613 Crescent Drive, spoke concerning immediate access to his side of Town. He expressed concern about Spring Avenue being closed and stated it will take Fire and EMS up to 5 minutes longer to get to them. He requested that the Town do something to get Spring Avenue opened back up.

8. Presentations

a. Cumberland County Community Development Overview of Services

Ms. Sylvia McLean advised in preparation of their 5-Year Annual Action Plan they want to receive input from communities to prioritize services that they offer. The Plan is created to outline information needed for funding. Cumberland County is designated as an entitlement community with HUD. As such, they require the County to report on programs and initiatives they plan to undertake. She requested dates of the community watch meetings so she can attend and get information from the citizens for this Plan. Mayor Rey stated that some of the churches may be willing to provide her the opportunity to make a presentation. He also requested that she share the input with the Board of Aldermen so we can present a unified response that has been vetted by the Board of Aldermen. She proposes having the information by the end of January so they can bring the community consensus back to the Board of Aldermen in February. Alderwoman Sutherland suggested she attend the Community Forum tomorrow because citizens will attend that event and she may be able to get input there. Mayor Rey suggested she try to catch people after the forum is over so that we do not conflict with the FEMA event.

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

b. Manager's Update

Mr. Cooney reported the following:

- The Veteran's Day Ceremony was very successful. Governor-Elect Cooper was there. Mr. Cooney commended Mr. Blumenfeld for doing a great job.
- The Fire Department is assisting with the fires in the western part of the State. This is a 72-hour assignment. FEMA will cover all costs associated with this support. Mr. Cooney applauded the Fire Chief and the crew for their desire to help out.

9. New Business

a. Budget Amendment 2017.3, fire Department

Mr. Watson stated Budget Amendment 2017.3 is to receive \$7,000 proceeds from the sale of the Fire Department's old air packs and stated the funds will be put into the Fire Department's budget.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Budget Amendment 2017.3.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Budget Amendment 2017.3 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment four.)

b. Resolution (2016) 20, Designating Town's Agent, FEMA Hurricane Matthew

Mr. Cooney advised this Resolution is required in order for the Town to seek FEMA reimbursement. It will designate an agent to represent the Town and will authorize that agent to act on behalf of the Town for the purposes of Hurricane Matthew reimbursement requests.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2016) 20 Designating the Town's Agent, FEMA Hurricane Matthew.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Christian

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Resolution (2016) 20 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment five.)

c. Resolution (2016) 21, 2017 Holiday Schedule

Ms. Henegan presented the 2017 Holiday schedule for the Board's approval. She stated the proposed holiday schedule mimics the State's schedule except for the third day at Christmas. The Town's schedule includes President's Day instead of a third day at Christmas.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2016) 21.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Resolution (2016) 21 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment six.)

d. Resolution (2016) 22, Declare Fire Department Equipment Surplus

Chief McLamb requested the Board declare two Scott Thermal Imaging Cameras as surplus. Repairs on the cameras would be greater than the cost to replace the cameras.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2016) 22 to Declare the Scott Thermal Imaging Cameras Surplus Property.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Resolution (2016) 22 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment seven.)

e. Proclamation, Mr. Howard Pate

Mayor Pro Tem Dobbins requested that we create a Proclamation for Mr. Howard Pate and as a way to honor Mr. Pate's dedication and service to the Town, he proposed that we drape Mr. Pate's usual seat in the Board Room for 30 days. Alderman Christian stated "Mr. Pate was a true giant of a man. He was a positive influence in my life and in the lives of a lot of people in Spring Lake. He truly was the heart and soul of Spring Lake."

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the honoring of Mr. Pate by covering the seat that Mr. Pate

usually sits in and creating a Proclamation for Mr. Pate.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

10. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Motion: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Christian

Vote: Unanimous

Rhonda D. Webb
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Town Clerk

ATTEST.

Chris V. Rey
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Mayor

