

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

June 14,2021

MINUTES

6:00 p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a work session meeting in the Grady Howard Conference Room of the Spring Lake Municipal Building with Mayor Larry G. Dobbins presiding.

Board Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem Taimoor Aziz
Alderwoman Sofia Cooper
Alderwoman Jackie Jackson
Alderman James O'Garra
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

Others Present:

Samantha Wullenwaber, Interim Town Manager
Jonathan Charleston, Town Attorney
Catherine Bamba, Attorney (via Zoom)
Brittany Johnson, Attorney (via Zoom)
Melissa Pereira, Interim Town Clerk
Benard Lemon, Audio Visual Coordinator
Jaimie Walters, Cumberland County Senior Planner
Jason Williams, Fire Chief
Sharjuan Burgos, Outreach Director, Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Centerstone
Christopher Bodoh, Owner of Axes and Armor
Justin Ritchey, Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dobbins declared a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Alderwoman Jackson gave the invocation and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Additions or Deletions

Alderman O'Garra added item 7i in New Business for discussion to place speed bumps in Holly Hills subdivision.

3. Approval of Agenda

Action: Approval of the June 14, 2021 Work Session Meeting agenda with additions.

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

4. Approval of Consent Items

Action: Approval of consent items: (a) May 18, 2021 Special Meeting minutes, and (b) May 24, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes.

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper

Second by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Vote: Unanimous

5. Public Comment

Ms. Kia Anthony expressed appreciation to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for designating Juneteenth as an official town holiday.

6. Presentation

Ms. Sharjuan Burgos presented to the Board the non-profit health clinic named Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Centerstone. Ms. Burgos outlined the services the clinic provides including mental health care, case management services, and community enrichment activities for wellness.

7. New Business

a. Case 21-058: Consideration of Axes and Armor

Ms. Jaimie Walters presented to the Board and recommended approval of the case. Alderwoman Sutherland expressed concerns about noise ordinance. Ms. Walters explained the owner will adhere to the noise ordinance.

Action: Approval of Case P21-058 with conditions.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

b. Update the FAMPO Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Justin Ritchey presented to the Board the FAMPO Memorandum of Understanding, and requested the Board to approve the resolution authorizing the amendment of the FAMPO Memorandum of Understanding to include the Fort Bragg Military Reservation as a voting member of the FAMPO Transportation Policy Board.

Action: Approval of the FAMPO Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

c. Approval of Resolution (2021) 7, Cumberland-Hoke Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mrs. Samantha Wullenwaber presented Resolution (2021) 7, Cumberland-Hoke Regional Mitigation Plan to the Board and requested approval of the resolution.

Action: Approval of Resolution (2021) 7, Cumberland-Hoke Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper
Second by: Alderman O'Garra
Vote: Unanimous

d. Approval of (2021) 8, Designating Juneteenth an Official Holiday

Mayor Dobbins presented Resolution (2021) 8 to the Board and requested the Board approve designating Juneteenth an official holiday. Alderwoman Jackson expressed concerns regarding whether the designation will replace another one of the Town's holidays? Mrs. Wullenwaber stated the Board can discuss the official holidays during the Fall session when the Board approves the Town Holiday schedule.

Action: Approval of Resolution (2021) 8, designating Juneteenth an official town holiday with amendments.
Motion by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz
Second by: Alderwoman Cooper
Vote: Unanimous

e. Update on COVID-19 and Town Hall Operations

Mrs. Samantha Wullenwaber presented the update on the COVID-19 and the Town operations to the Board. Mrs. Wullenwaber inquired whether the Board wanted to remove the restrictions currently in place. Mayor Pro tem Aziz stated the Board adhere to the State guidelines, and the Board agreed.

f. Application for Recreation Advisory Committee

Ms. Melissa Pereira presented to the Board the Application of Ms. Adrian Thompson for appointment to the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Action: Approval to appoint Ms. Adrian Thompson for the Recreation Advisory Committee.
Motion by: Alderwoman Jackson
Second by: Alderwoman Cooper
Vote: Unanimous

g. Application for Appearance Commission

Ms. Melissa Pereira presented to the Board the Application of Ms. Dorothy Brown for appointment to the Appearance Commission.

Action: Approval to appoint Ms. Dorothy W. Brown for the Appearance Commission.
Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland
Second by: Alderman O'Garra
Vote: Unanimous

h. Application for Recreation Advisory Committee

Ms. Melissa Pereira presented to the Board the Application of Ms. Rita Perry for appointment to the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Action: Approval to appoint Ms. Rita Perry for the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Motion by: Alderwoman Jackson

Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

i. Discussion to place speed bumps in Holly Hills subdivision

Alderman O'Garra expressed concerns about Goodyear Drive needing speed bumps to slow speed limit. Alderwoman Cooper agreed.

8. Closed Session

a. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6) – Personnel

Action: The Board approved a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S 143.318.11(a)(6) Personnel.

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper

Second by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Vote: Unanimous

Alderman O'Garra made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro tem Aziz, to reconvene in open session.

Action: To hire Samantha Wullenwaber as Town Manager with salary at \$94,000, \$300 monthly travel expense, and standard employee benefits.

Motion by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: 3-2

YES

Mayor Pro tem Aziz
Alderwoman Cooper
Alderwoman Sutherland

NO

Alderman O'Garra
Alderwoman Jackson

9. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned 7:14 p.m.

Motion: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

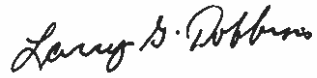
Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

Handwritten signature of Melissa Pereira in black ink.

Melissa Pereira
Interim Town Clerk

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Larry G. Dobbins in black ink.

Larry G. Dobbins
Mayor