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

November 8, 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 Soña 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 Melissa Pereira, Interim Town Clerk Banard Lemon, Audio Visual Coordinator Dysoaneik Spellman, Interim Police Chief Jason Williams, Fire Chief

1. Call to order

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

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dobbins gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda

Action: Approval of the November 8, 2021 Board of Aldermen Work Session Meeting with additions and deletions.

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper Second by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Vote: Unanimous

4. Additions or Deletions

Mayor Dobbins requested that the agenda be amended to add item 7b Oath of Office, and requested that the agenda be amended to delete item 8a in Closed Session, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6), Personnel. Alderwoman Cooper requested that the agenda be amended to delete item 5a draft minutes of the October 25, 2021, regular meeting because the minutes were edited, and need to be reviewed.

Alderwoman Cooper questioned the town clerk's contract. Mrs. Wullenwaber stated the town clerk position is not a contract position. She said the town clerk is an employee at-will position. Mrs. Wullenwaber stated we need to discuss personnel in closed session. Alderwoman Cooper requested that the agenda be amended to add item 8a, Closed Session, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6), Personnel.

5. Approval of Consent Items

Action: Denied the draft minutes of the October 25, 2021, Regular Meeting.

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper Second by: Mayor Pro tem Aziz

Vote: Unanimous

6. Public Comment

Mr. James Christian congratulated and welcomed the new Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

7. Presentation

Mayor Dobbins presented Mr. Johnny B. Wilkie a Proclamation who has served the town for over 50 years as a barber.

8. Closed Session

a. 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: Mayor Pro tem Aziz Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

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

Action: The hiring of the Interim Town Clerk, Melissa Pereira to Town Clerk, subject to confirmation and

compliance of the Resolution from the Local Government Commission dated October 5, 2021.

Motion: Mayor Pro tem Aziz Second by: Alderman O'Garra

Vote: 3-2

Yes No

Mayor Pro tem Aziz Alderwoman Cooper Alderwoman Jackson Alderwoman Sutherland

Alderman O'Garra

9. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Motion: Alderwoman Cooper Second by: Alderwoman Jackson

Vote: Unanimous

Kia Anthony Mayor

ATTEST:
Melissal Pereira, CMC
Interim Town Clerk