

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

August 22, 2022

MINUTES

6:00 p.m.

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

Board Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem Robyn Chadwick
Alderwoman Soña Cooper
Alderman Marvin Lackman
Alderman Raul Palacios
Alderwoman Adrian Thompson

Others Present:

Joe Durham, Interim Town Manager
Banard Lemon, Audio Visual Coordinator
Dysoaneik Spellman, Police Chief
Tim Garner, Director of Water Treatment Plant
Patricia Hickmon, Inspection Clerk
Addie Corder, Cumberland County Comprehensive Planner
Anastasia Nelson, Cumberland County Comprehensive Planner

1. Call to order

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

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Spring Lake Police Chief Dysoaneik Spellman gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Additions or Deletions

Alderman Palacios requested that the agenda be amended to add the item New Business (b.) Appointment of Interim Town Clerk - Patricia Hickmon.

4. Approval of Agenda

Action: Approval of the August 22, 2022, Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting agenda with amended additions.

Motion by: Alderman Palacios

Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

5. Approval of Consent Items

Action: Approval of the draft minutes of July 25, 2022, Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting, draft minutes of August 8, 2022 Board of Aldermen Work Session Meeting, and Case #DEV -0189-22/BOA-2022-0020 (SUP), Sandhills Spring Lake Civic Center/Farmer's Market-Site Plan

Motion by: Alderwoman Cooper

Second by: Mayor Pro Tem Chadwick

Vote: Unanimous

6. Public Comment

Ms. Llana Sheppard and Mr. Carl Pringle founders of Maurya's Maximus Foundation. Ms. Sheppard stated their ideas for starting a community program at the Spring Lake Recreation Center to provide classes, resources, food aid, and grant opportunities.

7. Presentation

a. Economic Development & Departmental Update – Patricia Hickmon, Inspections Clerk

Mrs. Patricia Hickmon presented a presentation on the recent Spring Lake's Economic Development activities and a Departmental Update. Alderwoman Cooper asked about a local Zoning Sign on Chapel Hill Road. Mrs. Hickmon responded that this is for the Land Use Plan for tonight's meeting. Alderwoman Cooper asked about its utilization. Mrs. Hickmon replied that things are still unsure until the Town receives the packet from Cumberland County Planning. Alderwoman Cooper asked about the date of the new Dunkin' Donuts. Mrs. Hickmon replied I don't know, but the cost of renovation is only \$700,000.00 to an existing building, made around six months. Alderwoman Cooper asked about the Elizabeth's Pizza building. Mrs. Hickmon responded that they're looking forward to an update from our Code and Nuisance Enforcement Officer next month. Mayor Anthony thanked Mrs. Hickmon for the informative information, and the Town is super excited that we are bringing in new businesses.

8. Public Hearing

Proposed Spring Lake Area Land Use Plan

Mayor Anthony declared the opening of the Public Hearing. Mayor Anthony asked if anyone would speak for or against the Land Use Plan. Mayor Anthony asked three times if anyone wanted to speak for or against the Land Use Plan. No one spoke for or against the Land Use Plan. Mayor Anthony closed the Public Hearing for the Proposed Spring Lake Area Land Use Plan.

9. New Business

a. Consideration of Approval of Spring Lake Area Land Use Plan – Anastasia Nelson / Addie Corder

Ms. Addie Corder stated she was excited to be here today from the Cumberland County Comprehensive Planning Section to be presenting the Proposed Spring Lake Area Visioning the Future A Land Use Plan. Ms. Corder explained while developing the plan, they wanted to capture the community vision and goals for this area and that they wanted to create a destination and not a drive-thru here in Spring Lake. Ms. Corder explained that the drafted goals around five major themes, including housing, community activities, a sense of place, economic development, and Main Street. Ms. Corder stated on population demographic, housing demographics, and economic development & labor demographics. Ms. Corder provided feedback from the Public Engagement meetings. Ms. Corder explained the 2022 Future Land Use Map with the land use classifications. Alderwoman Thompson stated that the Town's website is a good place for anyone to see a draft copy. Ms. Corder replied that googling Spring Lake Area Land Use Plan should be a good way to find the document, and she is working with Mrs. Hickmon to place it on the Town of Spring Lake's website. Alderwoman Cooper asked if there was a specific map to show the municipal influence area. Ms. Corder responded that page seven or eight in the draft is where the area is located. Alderwoman Cooper asked about accessory dwelling units and if they're permissible. Ms. Corder replied depending on the area, but for the most part, they don't see many coming through. Alderwoman Cooper asked if it could be added. Ms. Corder stated yes, that can be something they can look into. Alderwoman Cooper asked if there was an ability to convert a single-family home into a triplex, duplex, or something similar. Ms. Corder answered there have been recommendations to increase medium density in some areas. Alderman Lackman stated that he appreciated all the work that went into the Land Use Plan, and he thanked the citizens for coming out and providing their input and being a part of this plan to shape Spring Lake. Ms. Corder explained that their goal was to have a document that is a one-stop shop moving forward to have a foundation for future projects in Spring Lake. In the Appendix, you will see recommendations from past plans and added recommendations. Alderman Palacios thanked Cumberland County Planning, the Steering Committee that always makes themselves available, and the citizens. Alderman Palacios asked if current zonings would be grandfathered in. Ms. Anastasia Nelson replied yes. Alderman Palacios asked if the flex use will still be confined to a certain amount of zoning. Ms. Corder explained that they make recommendations for land use classifications which is a larger umbrella. Your zoning classifications are the smaller umbrella under that, so this won't have any immediate impact and will not change any of the existing zoning in the area. Alderman Palacios thanked staff for inputting grants and funding resources into the Land Use Plan.

Action: Approval of the Proposed Spring Lake Area Land Use Plan

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Chadwick

Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

Mayor Anthony thanked County staff for the work that was put into this plan and looks forward to working with the Board, Town, and staff to implement a valuable document.

b. Appointment of Interim Town Clerk - Patricia Hickmon

Alderman Palacios explained that the Town had a vacant Town Clerk position and thanks to the Interim Town Manager asking for help among the current staff to help temporarily and I agree that it is time to appoint somebody to that position, so we can get some of the much-needed duties and responsibilities completed to move the Town forward.

Action: Approval of the appointment of Interim Town Clerk - Patricia Hickmon

Motion: Alderman Palacios

Second by: Alderwoman Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

Mrs. Hickmon thanked the Mayor and the Board for her new position.

10. Adjournment

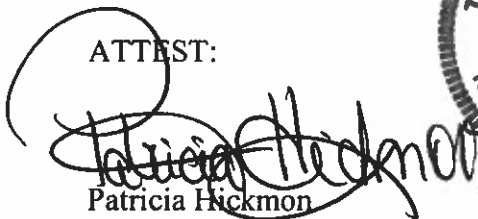
Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Motion: Alderwoman Thompson


Second by: Mayor Pro Tem Chadwick

Vote: Unanimous

ATTEST:


Patricia Hickmon
Interim Town Clerk




Kia Anthony
Mayor