

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

July 28, 2014

MINUTES

6:02 p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a special meeting in the Grady Howard Conference Room of the Municipal Complex with Mayor Chris V. Rey presiding.

Board Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem James O'Garra
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland (arrived at 6:11 p.m.)
Alderman James Christian
Alderman Richard Higgins

Alderwoman Densie Lucas was absent.

Others Present:

Ken Metcalf, Town Manager	Rosa Henegan, Human Resource Officer
Paul Hoover, Director of Public Works	Troy McDuffie, Police Chief
Tina West, Interim Finance Director	Gail Elder White, Recreation Director
Jason Williams, Asst. Fire Chief	Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Rey called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

The Board approved the agenda.

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

Motion by: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

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

3. Request for Capital Improvement Plan Modification

Mr. Hoover advised a problem was discovered at the Wastewater Treatment Plant when they added the new grit chamber. It was discovered that rags or cotton cloth type materials are clogging the grit chamber. The grit chamber is not designed to handle rags or cloth type material and we have a large amount of this type of product going through the grit chamber which eventually will cause permanent damage the grit chamber. He stated the grinder will cost approximately \$105,000. We have budgeted \$500,000 in the Capital Improvement Plan to replace the screws and he believes they will not cost the total \$500,000. He requested an additional \$34,750 to purchase a grinder to work in unison with the grit chamber and allow the process to work efficiently and effectively. Staff and the engineer believe this grinder is a necessity. The new grit chamber is catching the rags (disposal wipes and cotton cloth type material) which were not

being caught before. The grinder should last at least 20 years. The allocation will be from the Water and Sewer Fund, Loan Proceeds.

Action: The Board approved a motion to reallocate \$34,750 to the Capital Improvements Budget.

Motion by: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Alderman Christian

Vote: Unanimous

4. Ordinance Discussion, Chapter 30, Peddlers

Chief McDuffie advised we, from time to time, have issues with people soliciting money on the Town's roadways, specifically at the triangle area. Religious and charitable organizations are, by Ordinance, exempt from the permit process. He inquired how the Board wishes to handle this issue and if they have a desire to amend the Ordinance. Alderwoman Sutherland would like to see everyone obtain a permit but allow them to do so once they obtain a permit. Alderman Christian and Alderman Higgins expressed a desire to have panhandlers prohibited from operating on the roadways. The Board's consensus was to task staff with amending the Ordinance and bring back for Board review and approval.

5. Adjournment

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Motion: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderman Higgins

Vote: Unanimous



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Town Clerk

ATTEST:

Chris V. Rey
Mayor